

PREP UPDATE NUMBER 1

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Prep CSEF Uniform Support

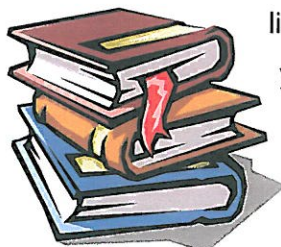
With this newsletter you have received a pink note outlining details of the Victorian Government's Prep CSEF uniform support package.

Our office has already applied for the package for each of the Prep students whose parents have a health care card current on the first day of the 2017 school year and who currently receive the Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund allowance. We will distribute the vouchers as soon as we receive them from State Schools' Relief.

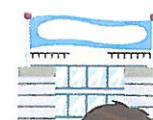
- Beginning **Monday, February 27**, Prep children will attend school full time and will be dismissed at **3:00 p.m.** Children in Grades OMD, OAN, OKB & OLM will be dismissed from the Prep lining up area, which is located near the main entrance to the Prep classrooms. Children in Grade OML will be dismissed from their portable classroom. Please be punctual when dropping children off in the mornings at 8.45 and collecting them at 3 p.m. each day.



- Prep children will begin to borrow books from our school library the week beginning **Monday, March 6**. Children will visit our library every second week. To borrow from the library children are required to have a library bag. If you have not yet sent your child's library bag to school we ask that you please do so ready for borrowing. If you are having trouble finding a suitable library bag, the red bags that the children received at the start of the school year would be ideal.



- Thank you for supporting the class teachers and using the lining up area as the 'dropping off' point each morning. We appreciate parents allowing their child to enter the classroom by themselves and becoming more independent with the morning routines.



- A reminder that **Friday, March 10** is a **Pupil Free Day** and children are not to attend school.



State Schools' Relief

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Fact sheet for parents

Program background

As part of the Victorian Government's Affordable Uniform Program, every Prep government school student who is a recipient of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualifies for a uniform pack voucher. For the first time SSR has received government funding so that it can help more families needing financial assistance, and ensure no one is left behind.

Eligibility requirements for CSEF can be found at:

www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

What uniform support is provided?

SSR will provide:

- A basic windcheater and tracksuit pants
- OR
- A bomber jacket.

How can parents apply for the uniform?

Parents must apply for CSEF by the closing date listed at www.education.vic.gov.au/csef before they approach the school to apply. Primary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents at www.ssr.net.au/schools

Once approved, the voucher will be dispatched electronically to the school. The school will provide the voucher to the parent/student to present at our school uniform shop.

What if parents have already purchased their child's uniforms?

Eligible parents who have already purchased their child's uniforms for the year can select items of a larger size from the uniform shop.

Terms and conditions

- Only CSEF recipients are eligible for the uniform packs.
- Each student is eligible for a single uniform pack.
- A voucher is dispatched electronically to the school on approval. The school will provide the voucher to the parent/student to present at the uniform shop.
- The order is valid for 45 days from date of issue.
- Expired vouchers cannot be redeemed.
- Each voucher specifies the individual items funded by SSR.
- No change to the items can be made unless through the school.
- The maximum voucher value is \$57 and any short fall will not be covered by SSR.
- The value of the voucher is a maximum value rather than an entitled amount. Should the value of the item be less than \$57 the difference will not be credit towards other items.

More information

Parents: For CSEF application details please visit

www.education.vic.gov.au/csef.



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