Welcome back to the 2015 kindy year. I trust you all have had a wonderful Christmas and holiday season.

**BUSHFIRE SEASON**

I have attached the Bushfire Brochure for Families. If you would like any clarification on information or procedures please don’t hesitate to ask. The children will be participating in a bush fire drill with the Bute Primary School in the next couple of weeks.

**Reminders**

Please apply sunscreen to your child prior to kindy. This is particularly important for bus children. Sunscreen is left at the entrance if you are unable to apply at home. Please ensure children come to kindy with a water bottle, fruit and lunch and snacks for the whole day. A change of clothes is also essential. All of these items need to be labeled. Our **Information Handbook** is available on our website. Children need to be signed in and out each day. This is attended to by staff for bus children. **Hand sanitiser** is located at the entrance for families to wash hands on entry to the centre.

Regards Vicki

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**Policy Information**

I have attached our Skin Protection and Hot Weather Policy so that families are aware of the importance of sunblock and correct clothing including hats.

I have also attached the Health Eating Policy which outlines the “right bite” healthy eating and drinking strategy. I have placed the reference material “The easy guide to Healthy Food and Drink Supply for South Australian Schools and Preschools” in your child’s communication pocket. This guide provides colour coded reference groups to help select and prepare a healthy lunch box for your child.

Join the Governing Council—attached is a brochure providing information on being a member of the Governing Council. Please see Vicki for further info.