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Dear Families

Welcome to the 2018 school year and thank you for choosing Malak Primary to be a part of your children's learning journey. On behalf of the teachers, the administration and support teams at Malak Primary, a very big welcome to our new families joining our community and an equally warm 'welcome back' to families who have been at Malak for many years and who obviously love this school community.

With a number of new enrolments and some unexpected student moves over the holidays, the leadership team is working hard to balance our classes across the school. Over the next two weeks we will be monitoring student numbers and in-class dynamics to ensure we have the optimum combination of students and teachers, and this may result in a very small number of changes. Be assured, there will be a conversation with you before any moves are discussed with your children and our reasons will be for the benefit of each students' learning and happiness at school.

This year we have some new team members joining the Malak team. We have Ms Michaela McNair and Ms Michelle bringing their energy and enthusiasm to the 3/4 and 4/5 teaching teams, Ms Karen Fowler has brought her experience and passion for teaching to the 4/5 teaching team and Ms Tanya B has joined the Leadership Team as Senior Teacher Student Success. Our **Meet and Greet** evening will be held on **Tuesday 13th February from 4.45-5.45pm** – so please come along and meet the Malak team.

Over the next few weeks teachers will be explicitly teaching the "Malak School Positive Behaviour Matrix" and I have included a copy of it in this welcome note. The matrix of expected behaviours at our school has been based on the school values of **Respect Yourself, Respect Others, Respect the Environment** – and these apply not just to students, but to teachers, administration and support staff and parents and carers, allowing us to build and maintain positive learning and working relationships. You can count on respectful conversations – some of which call on us all to be brave about tough stuff – and actions which call on us to be on the same team. I know I can count on you to return the favour as we focus on our students' learning and well-being.

Our first whole school assembly will be held next **Friday 9th February at 8.15am in the hall**. We will be celebrating students who have demonstrated our Malak School values, expectations and achievements since returning to school. **Assemblies** will be held on Fridays in the even week of every term. Chairs will be set up for parents who are most welcome and please join us for a cuppa after assembly.

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There is so much to tell you, but I've been told to keep it to a page for today, so will leave it there - I am looking forward to a great year and getting to know you, see you again. Have a great term, enjoy the monsoon and keep safe on the roads – don't hesitate to contact us for any further information, to congratulate us or with any concerns or ideas.

Kind regards

Lorraine Evans
Principal Malak Primary School



The Northern Territory [Back to School Payment Scheme Policy](#) has been updated to provide better clarity around the use of the scheme, including providing a choice of appropriate goods and services.

The purpose of the Back to School Payment Scheme remains unchanged - to assist families with the costs of getting their children back to school at the beginning of the school year.

This payment scheme can be used by parents to offset the cost of textbooks, stationery (including book packs), uniforms, student ID cards, school camps, excursions, Year Book, purchased through the school where their child is enrolled.

The amount of \$150.00 is available only for Term 1 2017, and only at one school.

Please make sure you come in and use all of your child/ren's Back to School Payment if you have not already done so.

The scheme entitlement is to the value of \$150 of eligible goods and services per enrolled student and is redeemable from the school at which the student first attends. Goods and services must assist with educational outcomes.

Front of School Drop off Zone

Parents, please note this is a **drop off zone only**. For our student's safety we request that you do not park in this area, if you wish to park there is a carpark available adjacent to the Child Care Centre.

Wet Weather Policy

The wet season is here. In the event of an intense electrical storm occurring at 2:20pm (home time), students will remain in classrooms until it is safe to allow them to go home. Parents may collect students from classrooms if this should occur.



Contact Details

It is most important to keep your contact information up-to-date to enable the school to be able to contact you in the case of emergency. If you have changed phone numbers or address please advise the school of your new contact details as soon as possible.

Malak School Council

Meeting

Tuesday 13 Febuary 2018 at 5.30 pm

All parents, guardians and interested persons are most welcome to attend.







Ketut Hirschausen
Council Chairperson

Lorraine Evans
Principal

CANTEEN NEWS

Due to unforeseen circumstances the canteen will be closed until further notice

We are sorry for the inconvenience

	Classroom	Playground	Basketball Courts / Soccer Field	Canteen	Assembly Hall	Toilets	Walkways	Library	Office	Line up area
Respect Yourself	Be prepared and polite Have a go at all work Try your best Ask questions if you are unsure Listen and follow directions Be honest	Wear a hat Respond to music and bells Speak up for yourself Use equipment correctly Have a go - try new games Be a good sport	Respond to music and bells Be resilient Wear correct shoes 	Keep your hands to yourself Speak clearly	Follow the game rules Have your volume control match the activity	Close toilet door Flush the toilet Wash hands	Walk safely 	Be organised Use your time wisely Wait your turn	Speak clearly Wait your turn	Go to the toilet, wash your hands and get a drink on the way
Respect Others	Be on time Use your inside voice Help others Listen	Take turns on equipment Put rubbish in the bin Encourage others Welcome others into your games	Share the space Follow the rules of the game Be a team player Encourage others Use positive words	Use manners Be patient Wait your turn Line up	Be aware of personal space of others Follow the game rules Enter and exit safely Listen to others Show appreciation	Flush toilet One person at a time in the toilet Respect others' privacy 	Share the space Pass safely Look out for others	Put things back in the right place Speak quietly Follow library routines Return books on time	Use manners Take your hat off	Be on time Stay in your own personal space 
Respect the Environment	Keep room tidy and clean Put rubbish and pencil shavings in the bin Only touch with permission	Put rubbish in the bin Leave animals alone Let the trees grow without interference	Put rubbish in the bin  Have food and drinks away from these play areas	Put rubbish in the bin	Have food and drinks outside the assembly hall Pack up	Play in other places Put toilet paper in the toilet after use Flush the toilet Put paper towel in the bin after use	Put rubbish in the bin Clean up food mess 	Have food and drinks outside the library Treat books with care Leave the area tidy	Touch your own belongings	Put rubbish in the bin Take your belongings with you