WHEN?

TERM 1
- Harmony Day
- Coffee mornings
- Information sessions
- Parent Observations for settled children
- Term Job
- Assembly

TERM 2
- Mums Twilight Evening
- World Environment Day
- Parent Observations for settled children
- Term Job
- Parent/teacher conversation
- Information sessions
- Coffee mornings
- Assembly

TERM 3
- Dads’ big Night Out
- Sports Carnivals
- Parent Observations
- Information sessions
- Coffee mornings
- Term job

TERM 4
- Parent observations
- Information sessions
- Coffee mornings
- Assembly
- Parent/teacher conversations
- Term job

WHO TO CONTACT?

Class Liaison
Class Teacher
Administration Office
P&C Committee
Board Members

WHERE TO LOOK FOR INFORMATION?
- The newsletter
- The school calendar
- The school website
- Blue Gum Montessori Smart phone app (free download from Apple or Google Play Store)
- Class notice board
- In your child’s bag
- Notice board outside the Office
- Family Pigeon holes outside the Office
How to be part of the Blue Gum Montessori School as a parent?

The children love to have their parents as visitor’s to their school.
The staff welcome parents’ interest in the work the children are doing and how it all happens.
Your input is valuable and vital to providing the best possible opportunities to your child.
Parents naturally want to give their children the best and very often the best is to let the child be, to experience the carefully prepared environment and take advantage of it in their own time.

Sometimes it is difficult to know how to join in. The biggest contribution a parent can make to a child’s formal education is to be a role model of learning; a role model of a community member; to be an enthusiastic supporter and partner of the child’s life at the school.

The School provides many opportunities for parents to be involved without inhibiting their child’s school life.

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<th>√ Browse the School website for information on the School, the Montessori Method of education and useful websites.</th>
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<td>Come and be a ‘fly on the wall’ and watch Montessori in action. Parents are invited to observe in their child’s classroom once a term. Book now at the school office.</td>
<td>Read the fortnightly newsletter with your child and share their views and thoughts.</td>
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<td>Come and spend time in the classroom sharing activities with your child and viewing samples of their work.</td>
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<td>√ Sports Carnival – Term 3 come and cheer the children on as they learn to ‘hop, skip and jump’ on command and in teams.</td>
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<td>√ End of term assemblies – come and watch the performances and model how to be an audience.</td>
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<td>√ Parents coffee mornings – organised by the Class liaisons for parents to meet each other.</td>
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<td>√ Parent information evening – presentations on topical child education issues and the Montessori Method of Education.</td>
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<td>√ Put your hand up for a class job. Prepare some cutting cards at home, dust the shelves at the end of the day, clean and tidy the kitchen cupboards.</td>
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<td>√ Put your hand up to do a class activity with the children – gardening, cooking, reading a story, singing.</td>
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<td>√ Read your child’s report with them and discuss what they feel. What areas are they strong in and where do they need help.</td>
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<td>√ Attend the parent/teacher conversation twice a year and share information on your child’s progress.</td>
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<td>√ Join the P&amp;C and become involved in the social and fundraising activities of the group.</td>
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<td>√ Do you have business skills? Join the School Board and be involved in the governance of the School.</td>
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<td>√ Morning coffee with the Principal – come and discuss how Blue Gum offers a Montessori Education.</td>
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