

2017 Working Bees

17 August 2017

Dear Families & Friends,

Working Bees are a fun and essential part of MECS! They help us maintain our buildings and grounds, as well as providing a great way to build community, make new friends and do a bit of catching up. They also provide the opportunity to see and be a part of the changes happening at MECS.

We need all families to be involved! Each family is required to attend one Working Bee each year; we understand that Saturdays are often taken up by other activities so we provide 6 dates from which to choose. It is a condition of your Partnership Agreement with MECS that each family attends one Working Bee per year with at least 5 hours attendance. **If you are unable to attend a Working Bee throughout the year, there will be an amount of \$150 charged to your family account.**

Children are invited to Working Bees but must be supervised by you at all times.

To make sure we know that you've attended, please sign yourself and your children in at the table outside the main office when you arrive. At that time you will be given information about what you are doing for the day and can ask any questions.

Helping in classrooms and with Friends of MECS is tremendous but does not replace the requirement to attend a Working Bee. However, being a camp cook or a Board member allows attendance at Working Bees to be voluntary in recognition of the commitment these roles require.

The remaining dates for the Working Bees this year are as follows:

September 9	8am - 1pm including Morning tea
October 28	8am - 1pm including Morning tea
December 2	7am - 1pm including BBQ Breakfast

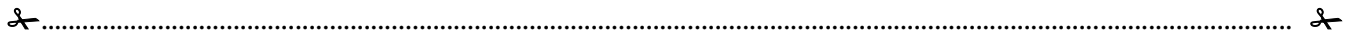
What to do next:

1. Choose the date that best suits your family's situation, tick the appropriate box on the reply slip over and return it by the due date. We understand that it is hard to plan in advance, but this will enable us to be prepared for each Working Bee. Mark this date on your calendar.
2. As your chosen date approaches you will receive a notice listing the tasks that are planned for that particular working bee. Fill in the slip and return it to the main office.
3. Unless you are otherwise notified you can assume that your first choice of task is what you will be doing on the day.

If you need to change your date, please call the office to let us know.

Yours sincerely

Peter Beams
Property Maintenance Manager



MECS WORKING BEE REPLY SLIP

Please return to main office by Friday 25 August 2017

FAMILY NAME: _____ **Number of adults attending:** _____

Youngest student in the family: _____ Class: _____

Please indicate your attendance date by ticking the applicable box below:

9 September

28 October

2 December