



Robertson State School

Creating Brighter Futures Together

Principal: Mrs Margaret Berry

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3 September 2018

Dear Prep Parents and Carers

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR BILINGUAL PROGRAM YEAR 1 2019

In 2019, we will be continuing the Bilingual Program into Year 1 and Year 2. Our trial in 2018 has been a positive learning experience for all of our students and they have engaged enthusiastically in the program.

Language learning not only develops skills in the new language but also enhances cognitive development across a first language and other subject disciplines. The Bilingual Program currently operating in Year 1 incorporates a curriculum taught 50% in Chinese and English. The Australian Curriculum is guided by an innovative approach known as Content Language Integrated Learning (CLIL), focusing on mathematics and science curriculum being integrated within the Chinese language. The subjects of English, history and geography as well as the arts are taught in English. The school has developed a number Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about the Bilingual Program including CLIL. These can be found on the school website and give details of how the program will run.

This expression of interest is to gauge interest from our Prep parents to initiate the program for 2019. If there are sufficient numbers from this EOI, offers will then be made to individual students. Preference will not be given to native speakers of Mandarin. All students both native speakers and non-native speakers will be given equal access to enrol in the program.

Please fill in the following EOI and return to the school office by the Friday 14 September if you would like your child to join the Bilingual Program in 2019. If you would like more information about the program, please contact the school office to speak to a member of administration.

Ms Cartia Balladone
Deputy Principal

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Mrs Margaret Berry
Principal

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Expression of Interest – 2019 Year 1 Bilingual Class
(Please return to the office by Friday 14 September.)

- Parent/Carers Name: _____
- Prep Student/s Name: _____
- Prep Class: _____

Parent Signature:

Date: