



Ngura Yadurirn Children and Family Centre

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Term 3, Week 5, 2021

Here we are at the half way mark of term 3 already!

We have certainly faced ups and downs this term, but as usual as a site we continue to do what we can to support our families.

We sadly had to make the decision to postpone our annual ATSI Children's day celebrations that were planned for the start of the term. This is always a big community celebration and one we all look forward to, but with restrictions and lockdowns we had to change how we done this year.

We are beginning to welcome our Pre entry children and their families to Preschool through transition visits, a reminder if you still need to enrol your child give us a call or pop in to collect and enrolment form. The children who start school next year will begin their transition visits soon. Transition can be an exciting but also challenging time for some families and their children. If you need support or have any question we are here to help, so please ask.

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has, and continues to wear a mask when on site. This could be at pick up and drop off, but also as you attend playgroup and other groups. We really do appreciate everyone's cooperation on this, and will let everyone know as the situation changes.

Also, just a reminder of our 'Closure Day' on Friday 27th August, for staff training.

Keep safe and well.

Regards

Claire

Pre-Entry

- Pre entry family information session
Tuesday 24th - 5pm to 6.30pm
Creche' available, please book.
- Pre entry visits start
Monday 30th - August 9am to 11.30am

Night Kindy!

We are excited to have been able to listen to the voice of our children by having Night Kindy for our 4 year old program. This came about after a child asked what it would be like to have a fire at night, so it was decided to have Kindy at Night. The children are so excited, and keep asking when it will be "Night Kindy". This term we will have a pyjamas night and make pizzas. If it is a success we will have another Night Kindy next term where we will have the fire.



Preschool

Preschool has been a hive of activity, we love to see children engaged in such deep learning as they play, explore, connect and communicate.

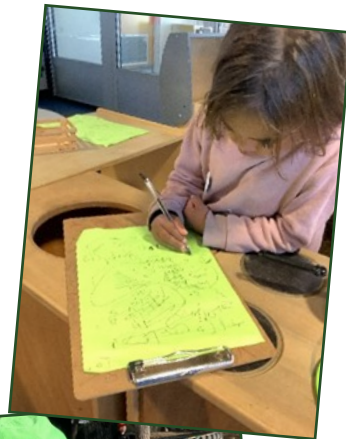
ATSI children's day was celebrated by lighting our fire, yarning around it, spending time caring for our vegetable garden and the chickens and much to the children's delight, toasting marshmallows.

We have been focusing on providing children with rich learning experiences that will build and support their print and sound knowledge and awareness, with a focus on initial sounds this term. Recently some children discovered some earth worm in one of our vegetable beds. This discovery led to a few weeks of searching for earthworms and researching about the worms.

Transition will be a big part of the coming weeks as children transition into Preschool but also for children who are transitioning to school. This will start with teachers visiting children at Preschool and then some short visits to spend time at school. Children have already been spending time engaged in reading activities at the Library which they are loving. If you have any questions about transition please feel free to ask.

We know that the rest of this term will be over in a flash and we are all looking forward to learn and discover along with the children .

The photos below are just some examples of how we are extending children's learning in these areas





Nature Playgroup

10/8/21



Closure Day

There will be
NO Preschool

On Friday 27th August

Staff will be undertaking formative assessment training together.

If you have any questions please

Call: 8625 2294



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Quick Facts:

- ◆ Night Kindy, Thursday 19th August 2021, 5.30pm to 7pm.
- ◆ Closure Day—Friday 27th August
- ◆ Children to stay home if unwell.
- ◆ Please let the Centre know if your child will be away.
- ◆ Last day of Term 3, 24th September 2021.
- ◆ First day of Term 4, 11th October 2021.

Closure Day

Creeper 'N' Crawlers and Baby Massage will still be happening on Friday 27th August.

This closure day is for **preschool only**.

Preschool Photos

Monday 13th September for 3 year olds

Thursday 16th September for 4 year olds

COVID Safe Check-In

Please use the QR Code in the foyer to 'Check-In', each time you come on site.

These are displayed at the front desk and where you sign children in.

Please note you **MUST STILL** sign children in and sign in for groups using the existing paper form.

This is so we can keep our own records.

All adult visitors must wear a **MASK** at this Centre.

Any questions, please see Claire.



Preschool Children **ONLY**

2021 Preschool Photos will be taking place on Monday 13th of September (for 3 year olds) and Thursday 16th of September (for 4 year olds). If you could please return the attached form with payment by the 13th of September to ensure you receive your package. Please call 8625 2294 if you have any questions.

ELLA HALBERT PHOTOGRAPHY

CONNECTED BEGINNINGS

"Together we can grow up strong babies & minya kids ready for deadly learning today & tomorrow"

Who will Connected Beginnings assist?

- Indigenous children from birth to school commencement age
- Indigenous pregnant women, Indigenous Mothers and Indigenous Families

How can Connected Beginnings help?

Our Connected Beginnings team aim to increase the number of Aboriginal 3 and 4 year olds accessing preschool and support children and families as first educators.

We can connect you with;

PRESCHOOL ♦ SCHOOL ♦ PARENT GROUPS ♦ FAMILY SUPPORT ♦ HEALTH SERVICES

and other supportive Community Organisations.