



Week 2 Term 1 2019

Future dates to watch

Pre School Opening times

Mon– Thurs 8:30-3:15

Fri 8:30-11:30

IPP

Mon / Tues 8:45—3:15

Weds (odd weeks) 8:45—12:45

Occasional Care

Thurs 8:30-11:30, 12:15-3:15

Fri 8:30-11:30

Commencing Mon 18th February Weeks 4-6

Parent Interviews by appointment

Tues 19th Feb & Wed 20th Feb

4 year old Health Checks

Tues 19th February 5:00 pm

Family Tea and AGM

Kirton Point Children's Centre
63 Stevenson St, Port Lincoln
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Fax 8683 3931

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www.facebook.com/

*We communicate to parents in a variety of ways including **text messaging**, notes on the **whiteboard** (next to the preschool door); **newsletters**, **parent - teacher interviews**; **conversations**, **Floorbook** (near the sign in sheet) and **KPCC Facebook page**.*

Dear Families,

Welcome to all the children, families, staff and volunteers attending KPCC. It has been a great start to the term with children and families eagerly attending the range of programs on offer and becoming familiar with the routines. I look forward to working with you all to foster positive outcomes for the children and families participating in our Community and Preschool Programs. Our playgroups, Song-Time (which is now on Monday and Thursday 9:30 – 10 am), Baby Massage, Circle of Security, and Learning Together at Home have started and been enthusiastically supported. If you would like to find out about any of these please ask a staff member.

We are delighted to have the same preschool team continuing from last year. Our preschool staff team comprises of Mardi, who works on Monday - Friday and is the reporting teacher for the Galda group; Corinne (reporting teacher for Waroo) who works Monday—Wednesday, and Mandy (reporting teacher for Mili group), Rebecca, Jade and Leona, the preschool ECWs; and Jay our preschool support worker. Some children are currently receiving preschool support for speech, language or behaviour, others will be identified during the term and parents notified.

The preschool children are doing a fantastic job remembering their morning tasks. All children will have an opportunity to be the Star of the Day (refer to the roster which was in your child's newsletter pocket). We continue to welcome new enrolments. If you know of anyone who is old enough to start please tell them to contact us.

Sadly we will be farewelling Sonia Regan, our Community Development Coordinator, at the end of week 4, as she is moving to Adelaide with her family. We will miss Sonia's knowledge and presence at the centre.

We would love to see as many families as possible at our Family Tea and AGM on Tuesday 19th February, week 4.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask any staff.

Regards *Pam* (Director)

Preschool Shared Family Tea & Annual General Meeting **Tuesday 19th February 5:00pm at KPCC**

Come, meet and connect with staff and other families .

We will provide sausages, all families to bring a salad and sweet for a shared meal.

Please think about joining our 2019 Governing Council and have a say about what happens in our centre.

A very short, effectively run meeting will be held to elect the Governing Council. Relevant reports to be Presented, will be available for all families to read on arrival.

Governing Council offers another way for families to be involved in helping develop the directions for KPCC and give input into our operations.

GC Meetings are held twice each term (from 7:00pm - approx. 9:00pm) on a Thursday evening.

Family voice is highly valued by staff at KPCC.

Kirton Point Children's Centre staff



Pam : Director



Jane: Finance & Admin



Mandy: Teacher



Corinne: Teacher



Mardi: Teacher



Carly: Early Links
Coordinator



Sonia: Community
Development Coordinator



Jodi: Family Services
Coordinator



Hayley: Learning
Together @ Home



Maddi :
Occupational Therapist



Majella:
Speech Pathologist



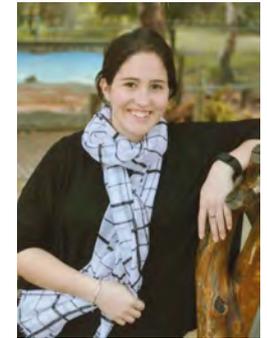
Leona: Early Childhood
Worker, Aboriginal Early
Links Educator



Jade: Early Childhood
Worker



Jodie P :
Playgroup Facilitator



Rebecca: Early
Childhood Worker IPP



Rebecca:
Occasional Care



Jay: Early Childhood
Worker



Jodie:
Intergenerational
Playgroup Facilitator



Karli: Administration



Zoe: Occasional Care



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MEET YOUR PRESCHOOL TEACHERS

CORINNE MURPHY



Hi - I'm Corinne and I am very fortunate to be on the teaching team here at Kirton Point. I love teaching and have been in schools and preschools for over 10 years. I specialise in supporting students with additional needs, challenging behaviours, disability support and social and emotional needs. I am currently working as the teacher in the Inclusive

Preschool Program (IPP) from Monday to every second Wednesday and as a teacher in the main Preschool section from the other Wednesdays to Friday. This is very busy for me as I have two children of my own, a five year old who has just started school and a three year old (almost 4) who is here at Preschool this year as well. For this reason I am looking at dropping down to working three days in the first Term just to get our routines sorted and settled and a balanced home and work life, if that exists!

I am really looking forward to getting to know all of the children and families we have joining us at Preschool this year. Kindy is so much fun and such a special time so please let us know if we can support you in any way as we want to make this year an amazing year for your child and your family.

MARDI EDMUNDS



Hi - I'm Mardi and I am the reporting teacher for the Galda group. I taught here at Kirton Point Children's Centre last year and feel very fortunate to be back this year.

I live at Tumby Bay with my husband and Great Dane. I'm looking forward to going on a trip in June/July this year and visiting Canada, Croatia and Japan. I look forward to getting to know you and your children in 2019.

MANDY WHILLAS



Hi - My name is Mandy Whillas. I work from Monday to Friday and I am the teacher responsible for reporting upon and addressing the needs of the Mili group of children. I have taught in a number of early childhood centres and have been at KPCC for a number of years. I love being able to teach the siblings of previous preschool children and

build relationships in our learning community. I look forward to working with this year's families to create a stimulating, happy and rich learning experience for the children.

Immunisation Records

If your child has now had their 4 year old immunisations could you please bring the paperwork into Jane at the front desk.

Please **clearly name** all of your children's items for easy identification especially the KPCC T-Shirts & Jumpers.

A child has lost a red KPCC t-shirt - if you have accidentally picked this up please return to Jane.



SUNSCREEN PROTECTION

****ALL PARENTS****

It is the responsibility of parents to apply sunscreen to their child prior to starting their preschool session.

It would be best to do this at home but sunscreen is available on the preschool counter if needed.

Staff will assist your child to reapply it at lunchtime.

Thank you.



Left: AYLA as the 'Star of the Day' greeting families with a smile as they arrive.



Right: TARIS as the 'Star of the Day', welcoming everyone to KPCC.



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A series of 3 **FREE** engaging and informative workshops for parents with children aged 3 to 12 years

Workshop 1. The Power of Positive Parenting - 1.00–3.00 pm, Tuesday 12th February

Ensuring a safe engaging environment - Creating a positive, learning environment - Using assertive discipline - Having reasonable expectations - Looking after yourself as a parent

Workshop 2. Raising Confident and Competent Children - 1.00–3.00 pm, Wednesday 13th February

Showing respect to others - Being considerate - Having healthy self-esteem - Having good communication and social skills - Being a good problem solver - Becoming independent

Workshop 3. Raising Resilient Children - 1.00–3.00 pm Thursday 14th February

Recognising and accepting feelings - Building a positive outlook - Developing coping skills - Expressing feelings appropriately - Managing negative feelings - Managing stressful life events

Where: **Port Lincoln Library**
2 London Street, Port Lincoln

Registrations: Contact – Louise Mrdjen on 8621 2345 or email
louise.mrdjen@plcc.sa.gov.au

** Please arrive 15 minutes earlier for registrations **

Everyone is welcome, however **bookings are essential**
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If you can't make these times, www.triplep-reseratio.net.au/sa lists all our upcoming workshops



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Tunarama 2019



A big thank you to everyone who supported our Tunarama activities - play area, parent room and silent disco. We had so much fun and hope you all did too! We would love to hear your feedback, both about our activities and the Festival overall. Sonia will be compiling some feedback so if you have some ideas, please let her know this week. For those with lots of ideas, considered joining the Committee and really make a difference!

We would also like to send out a BIG thank you to all of our partner agencies who helped make it all happen - Tiny TAFE Child Care Centre, Sally C (Dept Ed), Aboriginal Family Support Services, Tobruk Centre for Children's Development, Uniting Country SA, Karen from Squashed Cocky and the fantastic team here at KPCC!

World Play

Thursdays 10:00-10:30 AM
(after Song Time)



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A time to learn some handy tips for communicating with your little one through play!

Come in for an opportunity to chat and practice some strategies through fun activities together.

Suitable for 0-3 year olds

Facilitated by Speech Pathologist, Majella



For more information contact:
Majella Mrdjen
Speech Pathologist
Tel: 8682 5969



Baby & Child First Aid

Wednesday 13th March
1pm-2.30pm

FREE CRECHE AVAILABLE



Workshop will be presented by Port Lincoln Training

A FREE non-accredited first aid workshop with a focus on supporting parents to manage first aid emergencies.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Ph Kirton Point Children's Centre 86825969

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