



Week 6 Term 2 2019

Future dates to watch...

Preschool 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

Mon 10th June - Public Holiday

Tues 18th June - Wipe out Waste @ PLPS
at 10am Galda & Waroo groups

Wed 19th June - Wipe out Waste @ PLPS
at 10am Mili group

Thurs 20th June - Mili group to KPPS gym
@9.15am

Thurs 20th June - Governing Council @
7pm

Tues 25th June - Woolies sticker
collection ends

Fri 28th June - Muddy Playgroup 11.30am -
12.30pm

Mon 1st July - Galda & Waroo excursion to
Resource Recovery /Rick Daniel's
Recycling Centre

Thurs 4th July - Mili excursion to
Resource Recovery /Rick Daniel's
Recycling Centre

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Dear Families,

We are now in the second half of term 2! With Mardi taking leave for the last 5 weeks of this term we are delighted to welcome Sue Hodgson as the Galda group reporting preschool teacher. Sue comes with lots of experience and expertise. Please introduce yourself to Sue and pass on any information to support your child's learning.

As the focus for the term in the Preschool has been 'Connecting and Engaging with Nature' we request that all children bring, or send a photo of your child engaging with nature to Pam's mobile (0458 662 338) which she will print off. Have you seen the great photo display that is being created in the kindy of children interacting with our natural environment?

The children have been collecting, sorting and analysing natural materials, working as scientists examining items at the light table, and to continue to learn about Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. In week 8, on Tuesday the Galda/Waroo group, and Wednesday the Mili children, will attend a 'Wipe out Waste' workshop at the Port Lincoln Primary School to learn about reducing waste. In Week 10 the children will go on a bus excursion to the Resource Recovery Centre (dump) and Rick Daniel's Recycling Centre to see what happens to the bottles, cans and rubbish that we throw out.

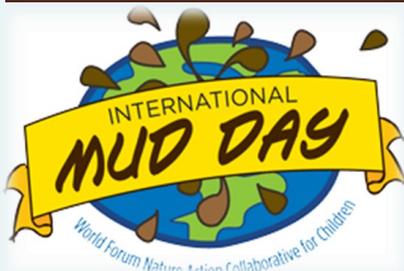
Regular visits to the Kirton Point Primary School have been very successful as they show children different areas that one finds at a school including the library and the gym. They were excited to get a carrot each from the garden to eat and to explore the balls and equipment in the gym this week.

Last Thursday the Mili group made their own train and 'drove' it down to the train line on the last day that the train ran through Port Lincoln.

It was very pleasing to see the success of the Bilingual Chat session last Thursday. Hayley and Majella are planning how this group can be further supported in the future.

Many thanks for the Woolies 'Earn & Learn stickers' that many of the families have collected and put in the KPCC box at Woolies or on the wall chart or box in the foyer. We will use the stickers to claim from a diverse range of resources for the centre.

Regards *Pam* (Director)



Get Muddy!
Make a Mud Pie!
Splash & Roll!

**Bring a towel and a
change of clothes!**

**MUDDY
PLAYGROUP**

**Friday 28th June
11.30am - 12.30pm**

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International Mud Day is about families, children and adults from all over the world celebrating nature, outdoors and mess, by getting really muddy. Join children and adults across the globe on this day of celebration to grow awareness and honour the goodness of life, experienced when children connect with nature.

Working for improved outcomes for children and families at KPCC

Throughout 2019 KPCC staff are working hard to make improvements in the following areas using a **Quality Improvement Plan**. This has 7 quality areas (QA):

QA 1: Educational Program and Practice:

1. Focus is on the increasing children's oral language – Staff more aware of developmental milestones. Grouped children using 'Yacka Tracker'. Preschool children speech and language screener data collected. Conversational reading groups, explicit teaching of tier 2 words e.g. scoop from Wombat Stew. The **Literacy Focus** this term is 'I understand the language of my world' (asking, following instructions, concepts e.g. more and less, sign language).
2. Phonological awareness – data collection for all children in term 1 re rhyme, syllables and initial sounds. A focus on identification of initial sounds during conversation, book reading and foyer activities support children's recognition of their name, the initial letter, final letter etc.
3. Increased understanding and use of language related to numeracy – staff noticing and explaining concepts – size, similar, classification, and correct language e.g. number, digit, number name.

The **Numeracy focus** for term 2 is 'I quantify my world' (counting, number, patterns, subitising). Children at Nunga playgroup engaging in number play and in Occasional Care focus on concepts.

QA 2: Children's Health & Safety:

Increased supervision of learning areas through successfully applying for funding to allow additional staffing to support children's safety. Staff communicating to one another more intentionally re where they are. Processes including sunscreen application documented, first aid notes signed by parents, mandatory notifications occurring. 9 staff updated CPR training.

QA 3: Physical Environment:

1. Well-maintained resources – awareness of using 'undamaged, dated resources: a clean out of compactus has begun, and a clean out of LT@H resources to also occur early term 3.
2. Environment that is inclusive and promotes exploration and learning – focus on creating engaging learning spaces with appropriate documentation to explain learning. Bush walks have promoted exploration. Exploring applying for grants for interactive whiteboard.

QA 4: Staffing Arrangement:

Staff working collaboratively and improving their practice – staff participating in a strengths based quiz this term to identify their preferred areas of delivery.

QA 5: Relationships with children:

Tracking and monitoring children's needs and progress – developed a spreadsheet to record information for each child e.g. referrals, PASM data, Conversational reading group involvement, attendance. Developing One Plan for identified children (ATSI, GOM, children who receive 8-12hrs extensive adjustment funding). Use Marte Meo and 5 point scale approaches.

QA 6: Collaborative practices with families and Communities:

Contributing to the centre; surveyed families re methods of communication – all very happy with current range of methods, increased postings on KPCC Facebook page.

QA 7: Governance and Leadership:

Staff having increased clarity of their roles and responsibilities –ECW task list updated.



Shanaya doing one of our literacy activities located daily in the foyer.

Saying goodbye to the train. The Mili group created their own train and choo-chooed their way to say goodbye to the iconic train that will no longer run through Port Lincoln.



National Sorry Day Sunday 26th May – An important part of healing

On Friday May 24th KPCC Preschool and Occasional Care children and staff gathered with KPPS and Port Lincoln Children's Centre children and staff to recognise and acknowledge National Sorry Day. We met on the KPPS oval, Carly welcomed the group, Acknowledgment of Country was read by Leona, and we learnt about the Stolen Generations from Nanna Mary Ware. We then reflected, as we walked together around the oval listening to 'They took the children away' song by Archie Roach.

KPCC Preschool children and staff were invited to Port Lincoln Children's Centre for a sausage sizzle and a play at their Centre.

National Reconciliation Week - 27th May – 3rd June. National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.



You can drop your stickers in the box at Woolworths marked "Kirton Point Children's Centre" or the box here at the Centre.

SHOP - For every \$10 you spend you'll get an Earn and Learn Sticker

GIVE - Give your stickers to local schools so they can redeem them for new equipment

COLLECT - Collect as many stickers as you can between now and 25th June



2020 Enrolments Now Open

Do you know a family that would like to enrol their child for 2020 preschool?

Please get them to call into Kirton Point Children's Centre to collect an Intention to Enrol form.

For more information please call the Centre on (08) 8682 5969.

First round offers will be sent out 1st August.

Intergenerational Playgroup

A FREE, fun interactive playgroup for every generation!
Suitable for children aged 0-5 years and their parents/carers/grandparents



Mondays
10.15am - 11.15am

Matthew Flinders Home
Oxford Terrace, Port Lincoln

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Ph. Matthew Flinders Care Services 8682 4122
or Kirton Point Children's Centre 8682 5969



Song Time

Monday and Thursday
9.30am - 10.00am



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Song Time is a fun and interactive music-based session for children and their parents/caregivers. Music helps children to express themselves, connect with others and extend their learning. Learning rhyme develops sound awareness, which helps children predict words, an important skill for reading.

For more information contact:

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Word Play

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

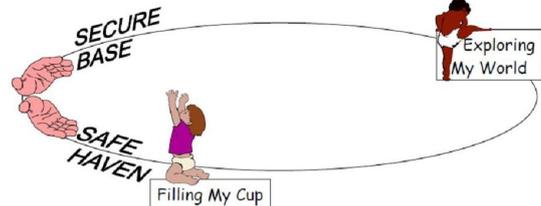


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A time to learn some handy tips for communicating with your little one through play!

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



Circle of Security Parenting

Mondays
12:30pm - 2:30pm
Kirton Point Children's Centre

Circle of Security is an 7 week program to assist parents to support children to:

- Have better relationships
- Get along better with other children
- Turn to their parents when in trouble
- Learn to trust others and their world
- Know that most problems can be solved, or how to cope when they can not

**Free crèche is available for under school aged children.
Bookings required.**

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