



Newsletter

WEEK 10 TERM 2: 28th June 2021



Remember, no nuts at kindy please

Dear Parents,

At our Kindy Governing Council meeting a couple of weeks ago I spoke about how we encourage the children's Phonological Development in many ways through their play. This occurs during our group times as well as in the free play times. There are many ways to encourage the children in listening and speaking which helps them to hear the sounds of speech which supports their reading and writing. We have fun listening to the syllables of words and trying to count and clap them as well as listening for words that rhyme or have the same sounds at the beginning. We are also finding ways to quantify actions and objects and learn about how to give directions. Children develop these skills at different rates and some children need more practice than others. I have been pleased to observe children teaching other children how to do certain activities during play and this can be a powerful motivator for learning. In the last couple of weeks the children have been having individual conversations with their teachers so that we can discover what their understanding of some of the literacy and numeracy concepts. These conversations have been added to their workbooks with a page explaining what the questions show and how you can support your child's learning.

Last week was a wonderful time of recognition of our kindy grandparents. It was good to see the way the children hosted their visitors and joined with them to make gifts for their grandparents to take home as a memento of their visit. The children showed great enjoyment as they performed a Maypole dancing display, with several wanting to do it more than once. Over the week we had 76 guests, which highlighted the wisdom in hosting the visits at different times with each learning group to keep it manageable with the health restrictions. The staff team were very tired at the end but thrilled to see the way the children responded to the tasks they were given. Thankyou for your help with the invitations. The paintings for absent grandparents will be sent out shortly.

I have been pleased to see the way the children are bringing their boots and other shoes to change into when they go inside. They have been very responsible in changing their footwear during the day. Please continue to send extra clothes, just in case your child gets wet in a puddle with the continued wet weather. The children have had fun with the new digger in the sandpit as well.

Kind Regards, Cynthia Meredith

Diary Dates

Emma Bovoro Aboriginal
Storyteller
Tuesday June 29th 10am
Wednesday June 30th 10am

LAST WEEK OF TERM
Clean up days
Wed 30th June & Thurs 1st July
Parents are invited to help with
clean up tasks with their children at
a convenient time

Term 3 Commences
Monday 19th July 2021

Regular Events

Recommencing Next Term

Playgroup
Fridays 9:30am until 11:15am

Permission form

A general permission form is attached to this newsletter for local walks and photographs please can you complete and return this to the kindergarten. Hard copies will be available for you to complete at the kindergarten if this is easier for you. If you would like a more detailed explanation, please speak with a staff team member.

Creature Posters

This is the last week for your child to bring in their poster as there will be a focus on Science next term. The children will be asked to show and share an experiment or something with a science focus, a proforma with information will be sent home early next term.

Midyear chats

For those families who have booked a chat with Cynthia this week if it is not raining please knock on the library door and enter at the time of your chat. All chats will be in the library room and at the end of the chat you will be given your child's work book to take home for the holidays.

If you would like a chat and have not booked one you may like to have a phone conversation instead, if so please ring and arrange this with Cynthia.

Memory Workbooks home for the holidays

All children will be taking their work books home on Wednesday and Thursday of this week so that you can share their learning with them. Families who are coming for a chat with Cynthia will be given their child's workbook at the end of the chat. When you return the workbook on the first day of next term can you please bring it back in the paper bag so that we can reuse it at the end of Term 3.

Emma Bovoro Aboriginal Storyteller **Tues June 29th 10am** **Wed June 30th 10am**

This week we look forward to meeting with Emma Bovoro who will share her story and an Aboriginal Dreamtime story and song, she was unable to join us a few weeks ago due to unforeseen circumstances. This will be another opportunity for the children to learn more about this ancient culture and how it has contributed to Australia's history.

Holiday fun

Have a wonderful family time in the holidays we look forward to hearing all about your adventures next term. If you have any interesting learning stories you would like to share with us just send an email or a text message, the staff team enjoy hearing your comments. Don't forget to have a look in the Learning Journals this week to read some of the comments the grandparents wrote about their visit and see the photos of the fun we had together.

Term 3 2021 commences Monday July 19th

Our Best Wishes from Cynthia Meredith, Louise Montesi, Tess Gibbs, Crystal Morphett and Lenka Velisek.



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I _____ do/ don't give permission for my
child _____

to go for walks in the local area with the staff team for learning projects in 2021.

Signed _____ Date _____

I _____ do/ don't give permission for my child

to be photographed or videoed for use in the kindergarten curriculum.

Signed _____ Date _____

I _____ do/don't give permission for my child
_____ 's

photographs/ videos to be used by the staff team at training workshops.

Signed _____ Date _____



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