



Newsletter

WEEK 10 TERM 3: 26th October 2019



Remember, no nuts at kindy please

Hello Everyone,

I write this contemplating on the last two days where the children and staff team have showcased some of their learning moments with our visitors. I am amazed at the way the children have become more confident in so many areas and I look forward to some exciting learning moments in the final weeks of the kindy year.

There will be some special excursions in the coming weeks and times to share with families as we gather for our annual Dad's Night---all family members join us for a family sausage sizzle and a fun activity to follow. We will celebrate some festivals of other cultures culminating in our celebration of Christmas at the end of the year, when there will be a special family time outdoors.

Our last Outdoor Week for the year is happening in week 2 so put this date in your diary. Please make sure the children dress appropriately for days in the outdoors. We will also be visiting the scrub area behind the school with the reception children later in the term.

I will be absent for the first week of the term and Kelly Hibbert who has published some creative children's picture books will be the relieving teacher. Please support the staff team as they start the term.

I am pleased to say that Toni Turci will be remaining at the kindy for the next few weeks and she has agreed to do some very important tasks for us.

I hope you will have time to make some special memories with your family in the term break and I look forward to hearing stories on my return. If you haven't already returned your child's Work Book please return it on the first day of kindy in Term 4.

Another important thing to remember for term 4 is that hats are compulsory for everyone in the outdoor learning area, so please ensure your child has a sun hat everyday.

Please make sure you take note of all the diary dates for Term 4 so that you can be involved where this is appropriate for your family.

Kind regards, Cynthia Meredith

Diary Dates

Term 4 starts
Monday 14th October

Outdoor Week---week 2
Mon Oct 21st ---Thurs Oct 24th

Kindy Gov Council Meeting
Wed Oct 30th

Kindy Closure Day
Tues Nov 5th

Excursion to Blackwood Rec Centre for
'Ready, Steady, Go' sports program
Wed Nov 6th Thurs Nov 7th

Syrene Market Week
Mon Nov 18th until Fri Nov 22nd

CAFHS preschool check
Wed Nov 27th

Annual Dad's Night---Wed Nov 27th

Excursion to the Zoo
Tues Dec 3rd & Wed Dec 4th

Blackwood Christmas Pageant
Friday Dec 6th

Kindy Christmas Concert
Tuesday Dec 10th & Wednesday Dec 11th
6:30pm on both nights

Regular Events

Wednesday & Thursdays
Morn: shared fruit time

Outdoor Week—Mon Oct 21st -Thurs Oct 24th

This term we will have our last Outdoor Week where we will spend all of the day outside only entering the building to use the toilets. This will be the last time we will be use the fire pit to cook and provide heat.

The dates for this week are Monday October 21st until Thursday October 24th.



Hawthorndene Kindergarten Governing Council—Wed Oct 30th

The next meeting will be on Wed Oct 30th :

- 7:15 pm coffee and chat
- 7:30pm special presentation details available soon
- 8pm short meeting to discuss ongoing program at kindy
- 9pm closing chat with other parents and staff



Closure Day in Term 4---Tues Nov 5th

There will be a closure day on Tuesday November 5th when the staff team will be doing training and planning for continued improvements in our program. If your child attends on this day please make alternative arrangements for their day as kindergarten sessions will not be held.

Blackwood Recreation Centre---Ready, Steady, Go Excursion-Wed/Thurs Nov 6th & 7th

The children and staff will travel by bus to the Blackwood Recreation Centre and participate in a sports program for 1 hour with a $\frac{1}{2}$ lunch break in the middle. The children will be taking their own lunch with them on the bus. Parents are most welcome to join with us at the centre but unfortunately there will not be any room on the bus on this occasion. We will be commencing our session at 11:15am, lunch will be at 11:45a.m., followed by another session at 12:15pm. The 'Ready, Steady, Go' sports program teaches young children the skills involved in different sports and allows them to use equipment suitable for their size. This will give the children an opportunity to see if they enjoy this type of activity. I have seen James the coordinator in action and he is able to quickly establish a connection with most children. There will be no cost to your family for this excursion.



Syrene Market Week—Mon Nov 18th until Fri 22nd Nov

Thankyou to everyone for your support of the Syrene Market Week last term, we received \$72.90 to maintain our sponsorship of Syrene in Cambodia. Let's make our last market a wonderful finish for the year, with some interesting items suitable for Christmas. Vanessa ApThomas (Leo's mum) is our Syrene Market Coordinator so if you have any ideas for this markets please let her know.

CAYHS health check---Wednesday Nov 27th

This is the last opportunity for you to bring your child to the kindy to have a preschool screening before school starts in 2020. The nurse will check hearing, sight and general development and you will have a chance to talk about any concerns you may have. It is for all children who come to this kindergarten regardless of which day they attend. Please make an appointment time with the staff team if you would like to use this service. A parent/caregiver must attend the appointment with their child.

Annual Dad's Night (sessional children only)- Wed Nov 27th tea from 6pm

A night of fun for all the family, it begins with a sausage sizzle, volunteer cooks and servers are needed, tea at 6pm, come as soon as you can! **Sausages \$2.50—Sweetcorn 50c**. After tea the kindergarten children will be organised into small groups with their dads to work on a creative model using recycled materials. This is an annual event at the kindergarten and has been popular for many years. If your child's dad is unable to attend we suggest you bring grandpa or an uncle or friend. Mums always enjoy having a chat while the models are being constructed. If you have any suitable materials, please collect them and bring them to the kindy. Each group starts with a similar collection of materials.

Borrowing the budgies

Has your child had a turn to look after the budgies for a weekend? Don't miss this opportunity to let them care for a pet for a short time. There are only 8 weekends this term and we have a family who will look after them in the long holiday break already.

Washing Roster

You will need to get in quick this term as there are only 9 weeks in the term to have a chance at doing this important task, don't miss out! Doing the washing is a very necessary part of our kindy program. Each week there are a few smocks and towels plus some other interesting items and your help is much appreciated. At this time the roster is empty so you can have a choice of weekends. Can you help?

To give away for a donation to Syrene Market

There is a shelf unit suitable for use in a children's playroom or shed which is surplus to the kindergarten requirements. If you are interested please speak with one of the staff team to inspect.

If you have an old mobile phone you can recycle it at kindy. We are sending them away to raise money for the Chimpanzees at the Adelaide Zoo.

10 cent deposit containers can be recycled in the blue bin at the east end of the verandah by the entrance gate.

**Kind regards, Cynthia Meredith, Louise Montesi, Tess Gibbs,
Crystal Morphett, Lenka Velisek and Toni Turci.**