

# Streaky Bay Children's Centre Newsletter



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## DIARY NOTES.

- **Friday 31st**  
**April—last Play-**  
**group for the**  
**term.**
- **Easter. Good**  
**Friday April 7th-**  
**Easter Monday**  
**April 10th.**
- **Thursday 13th**  
**April—last day**  
**of term**
- **Monday May 1st**  
**—Term 2**  
**begins.**

## Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term one is quickly drawing to a close. We are delighted with how well children have settled in to kindergarten and occasional care. We have enjoyed a term of building connections, relationships and friendships. We have noticed an enormous improvement in children's drawing, writing and conversations, building on our focus on mark making to represent children's thinking and ideas. We have formed a new Governing council who will lead improvements for 2023 and look forward to developing our front play space.

We connected with kindergarten families via phone conversations in recent weeks and will hold parent interviews early next term to share children's learning, interests and future goals.

Please make sure your occasional care bookings for term 2 are submitted as staff will be completing bookings in the next week.

Staff training last week at Ceduna was based around maintaining conversations with children to build thinking and language skills and

using observations of children and children's voice to develop our programs.

We were excited to plan a Clean Up Australia day event this term to support children's learning about sustainability and caring for our community. We collected 9.8kg of rubbish, predominantly glass. We hope to engage with and explore the local community with children throughout the year as we learn about the importance of connections with community and family as well as the importance of caring for our beautiful local environment.



Wendy

Welcome to our new Governing council. Families are welcome to view copies of the Annual Report and the Quality Improvement Plan in the front foyer. Congratulations and thank you to the following people who have been elected to the following positions on our Governing Council for 2023.

Chairperson: Karly Woolford

Assistant Chairperson: Mary Fulwood

Secretary: Hannah Riley

Assistant Secretary: Kara Squire

Treasurer: Amanda Johnson

Assistant Treasurer: Pepita March

Playgroup representative: Tayla Westley

Occasional Care Representative: Kara Squire

Fundraising Committee: Leah Chynoweth, Mary Fulwood, Hannah Riley, Elle Miller

A folder containing our Governing Council minutes and reports is available to parents in our front parent foyer.

Decisions made at our recent Governing council were

Developing our budget for 2023 (a major priority for our budget this year is the front yard development).

Approving the Quality Improvement plan for 2023.

*The next Governing Council meeting will be held on Monday May 15th at 5pm*

## Playgroup

Playgroup has been very well attended this term as we welcome a number of new families. This week is the last playgroup for the term as the next week is Good Friday. Playgroup is a wonderful way to have uninterrupted play with your child and to connect with other families with young children. Tayla Westley is our playgroup representative this year, we have a parent roster each week where playgroup families take turns to open and close the centre, and organize play activities for the day. Please let Tayla know if you can help out.

What to bring: a hat and fruit snack for your child and \$2 per child to help cover consumables and cleaning costs. We ask that all families please help to clean up at the end of the session. Pod Coffee is available at \$2 per cup

**Thankyou**

## Parent Interviews

Next term we will provide parent Interviews to a couple of kindergarten families each week as we focus on individual children and what they know, do and understand. Interviews are an excellent opportunity to chat with staff about your child's participation and progress and to plan an individual learning plan with future directions for your child's learning and development. Kindergarten children at the end of term bring home their special folders to share some of their learning with families for term 1.



### STREAKY BAY RACES/ FUNDRAISING EVENT

An enormous **thankyou to the families and staff** who helped out on a roster on either Saturday or Sunday at the races. We are constantly looking at ways to raise funds for our centre to improve the environment and resources that we provide. We will receive \$300 for running the gate and get the money for the cans and bottles collected on the Sunday.

#### ALLERGY ALERT

This Centre is

**NUT, WHOLE EGG & COCONUT PRODUCT AWARE**

as we have children who are severely allergic to these products.

Please do not send any

- Nut or nut products such as: peanut butter, muesli bars, nutella or nut cookies.
- Whole Egg products such as: hard boiled eggs, quiche, frittata or egg custard
- Coconut or coconut products such as: shredded coconut or coconut oil.

**Thankyou for your support**

#### Volunteer needed

To cover books

We have a number of library books that need covering with contact.

Please let us know if you can help out.



Our fish are needing a home for the holidays

Please let us know if your family can care for them.

Congratulations to Luke Chamberlain and Bonnie McEvoy on the birth of their son "Noa Kai"



### Occasional Care Bookings

We thank Erin for relieving in the occasional care program for the past week while Bec was on leave. Bec will be back from leave this week. We ask that families please put in their booking notices by Monday April 3rd. Families who have a health care card, please bring it in at the beginning of each term for staff to sight, to maintain the reduced child care fee.



## Building Friendships at SBCC and developing a sense of Belonging



Painting the bridge together



Harvesting our peaches together.



Having a picnic lunch together.



Exploring together



Making playdough together



## Websites

[StartingBlocks.gov.au](https://www.startingblocks.gov.au/) | Early Childhood Education & Care

<https://www.startingblocks.gov.au/>

The starting blocks website provides information about child development as well as activities you can do at home with your children.

[Home - Streaky Bay Children's Centre \(preschools.sa.gov.au\)](https://www.streakybcc.sa.edu.au)

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The Streaky Bay children's Centre have our own website where families can find out information about the centre including newsletters, reports, programs we offer and enrolment information.

**Face book page.**— Families are invited to join the Streaky Bay Children's Centre facebook page for centre and parenting information.

## Our family Welcome BBQ in February.



A great opportunity for families to connect with each other.

We hope to offer more opportunities for families to connect with each other and share their children's learning in Term 2.



Thankyou to Jess Hill for donating funds from money she raised with her Easter Bags.

### BOOKCLUB

All families would have received a Scholastic Bookclub catalogue.

Families can order online or place orders at the centre.

Orders are due April 13th.

### Program and Feedback

The kindergarten and occasional care program are available for families to view in the centre foyer. Our program is flexible and responsive to children's interests and needs. We value families ideas and suggestions. We have a feedback book on the front counter and welcome parents (from both occasional care and kindergarten) to add their child's interests, or ideas that we can include in the program. Kindergarten families will be sent the program by seesaw.

### Yard upgrade

Over the school holiday break we hope to have our fencing replaced. While this is happening the platform in the front yard as well as the cubby will be removed in preparation for the yard redevelopment.

Cubby house for sale

\$100

( Please see Wendy)



