Week 9 Term 2 2014

In the last week of this term we will be giving our families a report outlining our Early Years Learning Outcomes and letting you know how your children are progressing. We use a lot of different ways to get this information. We take many photos, collect samples of the children’s work, and we take observations. We also speak to families to help us get the big picture of your child and how they are developing. Reports are not the only way of gaining this information and you can speak to the staff at any time if you have concerns or wish to know how they are progressing. We are happy to make a time that suits you as we understand that it can be quite hectic at drop off and pick up time.

Kindy Photos

The Kindergarten Photos will be available for viewing and purchasing early next term. We will have the photos available to view in the Kitchen foyer area. Families decide if they wish to purchase individual photos or the whole album. The album consists of one group and 4 activity pictures and is $30. Individual pictures are $8 each. Each album will have an envelope with payment information on it. When photos are paid for they can be taken home.

Fees

Many of our parents now deposit fees electronically into the Kindergarten Bank Account. This is our preferred payment method as it reduces our banking and is more secure than having cash on our site. It can be done at any time, which is also very helpful. We understand that this is not possible for all families to pay this way, so we are asking if they wish to pay cash could they please do it on weeks 3 and 5 when we will have our treasurer available to write receipts and bank the funds straight away. Fees letters will come out on the second week with payment details. We understand that things can be tough for families sometimes and if you speak to Elspeth we can work out payment options if needed.

CAFH Check

In Term 3 in week 3 Wednesday the 8th of August the CAFH service will visit for health checks. These checks take about half an hour per child. We like a parent or familiar Caregiver to attend as staff may not know sleep patterns or diet information. If this day is not convenient for you there are alternative days you can have your child attend a CAFH clinic. Please see staff about booking an appointment if you wish to attend the check at Kindy in August.
On Tuesday 12/8/14 we will be having a closure day so that the staff team can update training and continue with our cycle of planning for our Quality Improvement Plan. We will be revisiting the Child Protection Curriculum and developing ways to use this with our children and families.

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Disco
On Friday September 19th we will be having a Kindy Disco, social event of the year!!!! It is also a great fundraiser for our Kindy. More information to come but make sure you keep this date free.

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Clean up week
At the end of each term we try to have a thorough clean up. We would love some helpers! We have a range of jobs big and small. These include:
- Cleaning chairs, tables and mats
- Scrubbing easels and paint racks
- Wiping down cupboards, cleaning the microwave and fridge
- Sweeping out the shed and washing the toys
- Cleaning windows

Any time you have to spare would be really appreciated.