Week 10 Term 3 2013

Well what a busy term! We would like to say farewell to Caitlin, Mitchell, Emma, Demetri, Jessica, Marco, Amea and Ruby who are off to school we hope they come back and visit. We have been doing many exciting things at kindy. As a follow up from the farm visit we were reading “The little red hen” and we grew our own wheat. We also ground the wheat and made bread. Doing activities inspired by the story helps the children to develop comprehension and oral language skills. This has continued with the three bears. We discussed the many ways we tell stories like felt board stories books, puppets and we acted out the three bear story. This story also develops numeracy skills with children exploring size and number as well as the sequencing of events. One of the best ways you can develop your child’s literacy skills is to read to them. Though our literacy kits are packed away for the holidays they are usually out for borrowing and are a great way to offer some fantastic stories for your children.

Thank you

For all our helpers on the farm visit: Jing, Gavin, Julie, Karina, Amy, Neville and of course our hosts Mark and Michelle. Thank you to our wonderful garden helpers Mick, Mark and Michelle. Thank you to James, our very handy dad for putting up the fence behind our compost bin and other odd jobs. Thanks to Donna, Amanda and Sarah for taking extra washing home. Thank you to Karina for organizing furniture delivery and fantastic art and craft donations. Thanks to Amy for making us some great pram seats. Lastly but not least thanks to Sarah who organized our raffle and father’s day breakfast. We have so many helpers I hope we haven’t missed anyone but we really appreciate all the support.

Working Bee.

Spring has sprung and so has our weeds! We are having a working bee to fix our garden (We are keen to get our irrigation fixed so any one with experience we would love some advice!) we have weeds to remove, mulch to put down and possibly a tank to paint! We will be here from 11:00am and will provide some nibbles we would love a hand even if you can only spare half an hour or so every little bit counts!

Teddy bears picnic

On our last Day (Thursday 26th) Our buddies are coming over for a celebration. We thought we might like to have a teddy bears picnic so the children can bring along their teddies to show the buddies and we can have some yummy honey sandwiches to share! (Kindy will make the sandwiches!) Don’t forget your Teddy!
Phone App.

Banksia Park Primary School have kindly let our kindergarten be a part of their phone communication system. This system uses an app that can be downloaded from a smart phone or tablet. To download the app please visit the app store on your smart phone or tablet. You need to search for Banksia Park School R-7 and ensure that you are searching for phone apps not tablet apps. Please ensure that you allow push notifications and allow the app to sync to our calendar for events you choose to add. This will allow us to send reminders to you that are associated with your child's class as well as the whole school community. Please ensure you go to the "More" button in the bottom menu and select "Setup". This will allow you to choose which classes and groups you would like to receive notifications for. We are still learning to use the technology and hope it will be helpful for our families!

Diary Dates

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Banksia Park School Tour

Banksia Park Primary is offering a School tour for parents interested in enrolling their children on Wednesday the 23rd of October at 6 pm. If you are keen speak to the staff who will give you any further information you will need.