Newsletter Term 1 2017



Welcome and Happy New Year to all families. This is our first Newsletter for 2017. These newsletters will be put in your child's pocket each term as well as uploaded onto the centre website and Teamapp. They include information from your child's room educators and the office to keep you up to date and informed!

NEW BOARD MEMBERS REQUIRED

The Centre is currently on the Lookout for 2 new board members ©

The Centre is governed by a Board of Management who is in fact parents of the children within our care. The



board of management meet once a month with the Centre Director (Renae) and Second in Charge (Marina). Becoming a board member is a great way to be involved in your child's early childhood journey. If this is something you may be interested in joining please see Renae or Marina.

ASSESSMENT & RATING:

The centre will be going through Assessment and on the 28 February to assess the centre against the National Quality Standards. Assessment and Rating results are displayed and shared for families to view in the front foyer. Currently the centre holds a MEETING rating from 2013.

FAREWELL & BEST WISHES ANA...

We would like to share with families that Ana our long time cook of 18 years has decided to commence her retirement and therefore will be finishing up as the centre cook and break reliever on Friday the 17th of March. We wish Ana all the very best and thank her for her dedicated years and amazing food that has satisfied many tummies and brought smiles to the children's faces each day.

FEB	Tue 28th	SHROVE TUESDAY & RED BALOON DAY	Celebrate through room curriculum
MAR	Tue 7th	BUBBLE PLAY - INCURSION Giant Bubble's	Nursery/Toddler/Kind er Children 10.15am
	Mon 13th	LABOUR DAY	Centre is closed
	Mon 21st	HARMONY DAY	Celebrate cultural diversity - Wear ORANGE
APR	Thur 13th	GRANDPARENTS MORNING TEA	9.30am at the centre- Invitations to follow
	Fri 14th	GOOD FRIDAY	Centre closed
	Mon 17≐	EASTER MONDAY	Centre closed
	Tue 25th	ANZAC DAY	Centre closed



The Centre will be working on its next area with the Healthy
Together Achievement Program – which is **SAFE ENVIRONEMENTS!** Be on the lookout for more helpful information around the centre & more improvement around the centre



What's New...

The service has recently updated and reviewed its centre philosophy and policy handbook.

Thank you to the educators and families for their input and support.

The 2 main policies updated where...

The Sunsmart Policy;

- ➤ To now include the option of 30+ 'or higher ' with sunscreen applications
- ➤ The introduction of checking the floor/surface temperatures in the Nursery Room prior to outdoor play

The Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy;

> To reflect the Child Safe Standards

Which include:

- promoting the cultural safety of Aboriginal children
- promoting the cultural safety of children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds
- promoting the safety of children with a disability.

The standards are:

Standard 1: Strategies to embed an organisational culture of child safety, including through effective leadership arrangements.

Standard 2: A child safe policy or statement of commitment to child safety.

Standard 3: A code of conduct that establishes clear expectations for appropriate behaviour with children.

Standard 4: Screening, supervision, training and other human resources practices that reduce the risk of child abuse by new and existing personnel.

Standard 5: Processes for responding to and reporting suspected child abuse.

Standard 6: Strategies to identify and

reduce or remove risks of child abuse.

Standard 7: Strategies to promote the participation and empowerment of children.

The updated copy is available on the centre website and in the foyer for your reference.



Reminder: The Centre CLOSES at 6pm

Families are reminded that the centre

closes at 6pm each night. Recently we have been experiencing some families who are often collecting their children past this time. Our staff have commitments of their own so please

respect this & collect your child by 6pm.

Have you visited our centre website? **nkcc.org.au** has many helpful links

and centre information- be sure to

check it out©