



Kirrawee Child Care Centre Newsletter

July September

Your Childs Centre

Welcome to the third newsletter of the year, which we hope you find informative and useful.

Thanks to parents who participated in the parent survey, as we found their comments, opinion and criticism helpful as well as encouraging.

The result of this survey has been on the notice board in the foyer for some time. We hope you had chance to look at it, your comments and opinions are welcome at any time, please see the Centres director.

As our endeavour is to provide the children using the Centre with the highest level possible of quality care and education, it is becoming important to highlight some points.

1. We have noticed an increasing instance of late collection of children. As a result the Centre has to apply the rules which are stipulated in the condition of accepting children at the Centre, and the Centre is forced to be even stricter as we have to apply DOCS, after 20 minutes of parent being late the Centre must deliver the Child to the nearest police station.

2. A considerable number of parents have not paid the cost of the



program for the second or the third term, which increases the financial burden of the Centre.

The indication from the parents survey is that parents are satisfied with the program and would like it to continue (Q 12).

If you have not done so, please pay and or check with Centre administration if you owe any thing. Unfortunately if this is not done the Centre will have to stop providing the program. Please come to next parents / staff meeting and voice your opinion.

The Centre's web site now provides a page with links to very useful sites for parents in the area of child development, managing children with difficulties, and parents supports, your opinion and comments are welcome as well and we hope you find this of interest to you. We are happy to try and find your needs if you let us know.

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By now you should had time to look at your child's check list. if you have any comments or need further information please make an appointment through administration office to see the teacher in charge your child's room. Debbie the Centres supervisor will be back to work Monday 16th September.

Currently as is the custom every three years, the Centre is reviewing some of it's policies and adding some new ones.

All these issues will be discussed at the next parents meeting Tuesday 22nd October plus any relevant issues you might like to add.

We look forward to see you all at the next parents / staff meeting and at the Centres fete on Saturday 21st. Sept.

Possum Room Report

All the possum children have had a great year so far bonding and making new friends. Their socialization skills have improved dramatically over the past six months. The children have learnt to use their words and express their feelings. A lot of our toddlers have become toilet trained over the past couple of months and are beginning to wear NO nappies at rest time so congratulations to all our Possum Room children.

The Centre would like to thank all the parents for bringing in box construction for the children. It is one of their favorite classroom activities, which we are able to program once a week. The Centre has also been provided with some new outdoor play equipment consisting of wheel borrows and "Bob the builder" blocks which the children thoroughly enjoy.

We have a new staff member to the staff in the Possum Room the last two months Lauren has become a tribute to the centre so welcome Lauren we are glad to have you working with us. If any parents are not familiar with staff please don't hesitate to ask or we have recently put up a staff information board in the foyer-indicating name, position, time the staff are working that week. Please take a look.

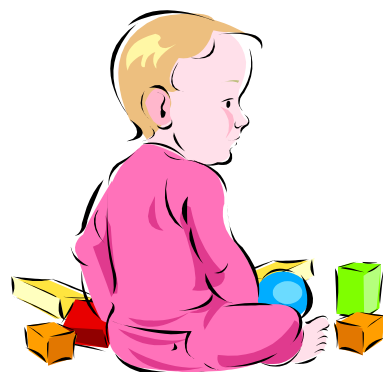
Reminder

A quick reminder for children who come to the Centre without hats. The Centre has spare hats but to avoid cross-contamination with hats please provide your own hats ASAP. Children's clothing shoes toys etc that is brought to the centre must be labeled with the child's name, it makes it easy to find your child's lost items. Also children in nappies need to bring four nappies a day. children who are being toilet trained should provide an extra nappy for rest / sleep time.

Thank you

Welcome

Kirrawee childcare centre would like to give a big welcome to our new family at the centre. Emma, Taj, Cameron, Jacob, Elliot, Dylan and Bronte, they have all settled into the routine and are having a wonderful time.



Sickness

Unfortunately sickness and disease spread quickly whenever children are involved. We would appreciate it if your child is not well please keep them home. As a centre we have the responsibility not only to your child, but also to all other children attending the Centre.

Please read Centre's Policy on the issue.

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Accreditation

Recently the centre staff have been working hard towards the Accreditation process. For families that are unfamiliar with this term Accreditation is to guide and assist long day care centre in planning for quality improvements in care practices and to fulfill the requirements of the QIAS (Quality Improvement and Accreditation System). To do this we have recently been revising some of our policies and to allow parents to contribute and share their ideas we are going to display policies in the foyer. So parents if you have a spare few seconds jot down some ideas.

Linda (Acting Supervisor)

Thank you

Fire Brigade Visit.

On Friday the 9th of July, Sutherland Fire Department came to the centre. They spoke to the children about learning how to dial '000', knowing their home address and taught them the motto 'Get down low and go, go, go!' They also had one of their staff members put on all the equipment such as, the mask, oxygen tank, bright yellow overalls, boots and a protective helmet to show the children what they wear when they go to put a fire out.

All the children had lots of fun having a turn of the fire hose and looking at the fire trucks equipment and lights



WOMBAT ROOM REPORT

We have recently begun the "School Readiness" program in the Wombat Room, for the children who will be going to school next year. Each child has their own folder which contains their "schoolwork". The children complete various worksheets which involve tracing, copying, spotting differences and writing, and are all taking up these challenges with enthusiasm. If you would like to see your Child's folder, please don't hesitate to ask myself or another staff member.

The children in the Wombat Room have also been great at learning the days of the week. Each morning we talk about what day it is, what the weather is like, and also sing 2 songs that help us remember what

the days of the week are. Some of the children are also beginning to recognize the words of the days of the week, which is fantastic.

I'm sure we are all missing Debbie in the coming weeks as she is on her honeymoon in Greece, but the children were all excited about Debbie getting married and love to see photos and talk about where she is on holidays.

As always we're having lots of fun and learning heaps in the Wombat Room. The children especially love dramatic play such as dress-ups, shopping, home corner etc., and it's great to see the friendships that have formed and matured through this imaginative type of play.

Crazy Hair Day

On Friday the 5th of July, we had a "Crazy Hair Day" at the centre. Children and teachers came with their hair plaited, teased, twisted, curled, colored and gelled. Some children had their hair done by staff when they came.

The Possum Room had Dress-ups out for the children to have fun with their hair style throughout the day. A great, fun and CRAZY day was had by all.

FETE DAY

Kirrawee Child Care Centre's annual fete will be held on Saturday 21st September at the centre.

It will be a fantastic day with a barbeque lunch, face painting, plaster painting, jumping castle and many various stalls.

Guess where is Linda

Jury Duties !!! Yes? 😊

If you have anything you would like to donate for our stalls – "Trash and Treasure", "Cake Stall", "Chips and Drinks Stall", or anything else you think may be of use, it would be much appreciated. Also, if you are able to volunteer some of your time on the day to assist staff in supervising the stalls, it would be a great help. There are signs posted at the front of the centre where you can write your name and an item you would like to donate or what time you would like to help out

PARENT SURVEY RESULT

Thank you to all the parents who filled out their survey. We received 35% back. The result is as follows:

- 1) How do you feel about way staff interacts with your child?
99% said interact well 1% said don't know
- 2) How do you feel about relationship with staff?
95% the answer is positive 5% said don't know
- 3) Do you feel staff work well as a team?
99% said yes 1% said don't know
- 4) Do you feel comfortable with all staff?
100% said yes
- 5) Do you feel that staff provide a balanced program?
100% said yes
- 6) Your child has special needs do staff take their special needs into account and plan activities for them?
52% said yes 28% said don't know 20% said N.A. or didn't answer
- 7) Do you feel staff keep a close enough watch on your child health?
99% said yes 1% said don't know
- 8) Do you feel staff ensure that toileting and nappy changing procedures

72% said yes 14% said don't know 14% said N.A. or didn't answer

- 9) Does the Centre provide a hygienically clean and safe environment?
100% said yes
- 10a) Does your child have a special diet?
14% said yes 86% said no
- 10b) Do you feel that your child gets enough quantities and variety of food?
90% said yes 10% said don't know
- 11) Do you feel visits from community member are valuable experiences for your child?
99% said yes 1% said no
- 12) Do you think extra-curricular activities are a valuable addition to the children's program?
100% said yes
- 13) Are you happy with the centre management?
100% said yes
- 14) Are you happy with the amount of information you have about the Centre's management?
100% said yes

Thank you for all of your positive remarks and constructive criticism, and for all your comments and suggestions. You will be seeing changes around the centre to help make it a better centre for your child and you.

Thank you
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Two of the parents at the Centre have started their own private business.

Parents support is appreciated.

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