

Grow 'n' Learn



July Newsletter 2014

Winter has Arrived!

Please ensure that you pack a winter jacket and beanie for your child over the coming weeks. Outdoor play is part of our daily routine and if the weather permits we will head out side. Please ensure you have updated your children's spare clothes in their bags too. We are finding a lot of t-shirts and shorts in children's bags when we are changing the children.

Changes to the outdoor area

We are currently doing some renovations outside. The chickens and rabbits have now moved down to the babies end of the centre. We have now fenced it off and will be working with the children to build a new Vegetable patch.

Art Folders

Each child who attends Grow 'n' Learn is allocated an Art folder. The staff file your children's artwork into these Red tubs under your children's name.

We will be holding "Art weeks" as a reminder to collect your children's art.

The Red and Blue Rooms are constructing folder for you at the end of the year. Please leave these folders and take any loose art.

Staff Changes

Marie has decided to change her role at the centre. Marie will now be spending time in all rooms as she floats to relieve staff for sickness or holidays. Kelly Brown will be moving from the Blue Room to the Yellow Room.

Siti will be moving from the Red Room to the Blue Room. Cassie will be returning to the Red room Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Karen will be working Thursday and Friday. Nikka is now full time and will continue in her position in the Purple room. Kelly Heaney has returned and will be working in all rooms relieving staff. If you have any questions please see Lauren or Louise.

African Drumming

We had the African Drumming on Tuesday 24th July. All of the children were given their own drum and learnt about beat and rhythm. Lii played wonderful beats for the children to dance. A special mention to our Yellow Room friends who had a great time dancing to the beat of the drums and had such a great time that they had 2 encores!!



Green Room

We have been working hard with the children to establish our "I was Wondering" wall. We would like to invite all of our families over the coming month to spend 10 minutes looking around our room. The children have been all very busy doing lots of artwork.

Educators would like to remind all parents to please label their children's belongings.

Yellow Room

The Yellow Room children have settled into the room routine and enjoy asserting their independence. We have supported the children's independence by offering them a large container to place their jackets and beanies. The children have shown interest in Dinosaurs and we will be continuing with this over the coming weeks.

Purple Room

The Purple Room children are developing their independence by dressing and undressing themselves.

Educators would like to ask the parents for their support in this area by encouraging your children to try undressing and dressing themselves. Throughout the following weeks the children will be learning about Reptiles. The children are encouraged to ask questions and investigate with the aid of computers or books.

Red Room

Children in the Red Room are going to investigate "Farms". This includes what farms produce and animals you find on farms.

The children in the Red Room will have a new teacher in term 3. Cassie is returning Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Karen will be joining the children on Thursday and Friday.

Blue Room

The children in the Blue Room have been focusing on their literacy skills and would like to ask for parents assistance in developing these skills. We call it "Number plate Letters".

While you are driving with your children encourage them to look at car number plates around you and assist them to distinguish the letters. You can even go on to the numbers if you would like.

Reading to children everyday helps the children to develop their literacy skills. We have attached an article for your reading.

Parent Help

As a centre we are trying to encourage the children to care for their environment. If you have any small boxes (eg cereal boxes, muesli bar boxes) could you please bring them in for us to use in art and craft.