



## NEWSLETTER 5 - June 2018

### Have you read?

- The white board
- The program on the pinup board inside the kindergarten. You can get a hard copy as well.

### Your check list:

- Close the gates when you come and go
- Pack a hat, water bottle, lunch and 2 snacks in your child's bag
- Apply sun screen on your child each day
- Place your initial next to your child's name each day on the attendance sheet when you arrive and depart (attendance sheets on podium)
- Any changes to pick up please write a note in the day diary on the podium next to attendance sheets on the verandah



### CURRICULUM

During the past month the large play room has been transformed by placing a tent inside which became 'Goldilocks House' and later transformed into a café. These activities encouraged children's social skills, to share and use language appropriately and to use numeracy to understand size, and number.

Continuing our 'healthy' eating focus and the 'Goldilocks House' the children enjoyed a 'breakfast at preschool' of porridge and milk, toast with butter and vegemite and orange juice. . Our science focus of 'growth' continues with children being aware of the changing of the seasons from the changing colour of leaves and planting seeds and winter vegetables brought from home in our garden.. The children helped to make a 'bean tepee' in the yard and will watch the beans grow during the rest of the term.

#### **Thank you to all the families who donated seeds and vegetables**

Physical activities continue to focus on the development of upper body strength, posture and ball skills by providing challenging and energy expending things to try and have success.

#### **Aboriginal Reconciliation Week 28 May to 3 June 2018**

We celebrated this week by investigating some of the Indigenous Art work displayed in the Art Gallery of S.A. Specifically we discussed Indigenous connection to place/country and how that is expressed in paintings and drawings. Children were asked to describe a place they are connected to and to draw their special place.

The children listened to Kurna Dreamtime stories and read picture books written and illustrated by Indigenous artist Bronwen Bancroft.

We have a collection of Coolamon that the children were encouraged to investigate and think about how Indigenous people used them. The children observed the decorations and drew pictures of them.

**The Little Big Book Swap held on 29 & 30 May** at the centre raised \$31.00 .This money is donated to the Little Big Book Club to support literacy programs and resources for SA families. Families receive a free bag of books at the beginning of each year from this organization.

#### **OCCASIONAL CARE**

We have vacancies for children under 2 years on Mondays. Please ring direct on **83220677** and leave a message and staff will get back to you.

### DATES

#### **PUPIL FREE DAY**

The centre is allowed 4 Pupil Free Days per year by Department for Education and approved by the Governing Council. On these days the centre is shut. Our first day is on **Monday 23 July** (being first Monday of Term 3). All staff will be at a training day on Numeracy and program delivery. ***Please make other arrangements for your children on these days.***

**Caleb Mason, Musical Muscles** will be doing an interactive performance with each group of children (see note attached to newsletter)

#### **Mega Scientific Bubble Show performance on Friday 6 July**

This is the last Friday of term and this performance is for **all preschool children** so we are combining Friday 29 June and Friday 6 July which means all children attend Friday 6 July and can be part of this performance. There is no cost for preschool children to attend but there is a cost to the preschool so combining groups has made this possible. **(See note attached to newsletter)**