

Burrumbuttock Preschool Newsletter 18th August 2017

Preschool Photos

Preschool Photo Week will be held in Week 8, 5, 7-8 September on all days. Please ensure that you return your photo envelope with correct money to us by 25th August. Any child who does not have photo envelope in by the morning of the photos will not have them taken.

Toy Catalogues Fundraiser 2017

Parent Direct Catalogue and Educational Experience fundraising catalogues are out. Please remember to nominate Burrumbuttock Preschool if you order on line.

Burrumbuttock Preschool will receive up to 25% of order value to go towards new equipment.

Please return any order forms to Fleur by Thursday, 14th September. Online and phone orders can be done at any time but we suggest the sooner you do them the better as it means you will receive all that you order as products can run out when ordered later in the year. Online ordering will allow you to check if items are available at the time.

Extra Catalogues are available for family and friends.

Bucket Fillers



Bucket Filling: the children are responding well to our introduction of our Bucket Filling Project. We are really trying to highlight bucket filling acts as they occur at Preschool to reinforce the children's positive behaviours.

Picture Plate Products

We are happy to be providing this for our families again this year. Due to the cost of the plates to produce we will be selling these as a service for families and not running it as a fundraiser for the Preschool as we feel adding on a reasonable amount means that it costs too much for families.

We ask that families either come and complete the plate or clock at the Preschool with your child or take it home. We will let families know exact costs when templates arrive in the next few days. Feel free to organise one for a friend as well.

Educational Leader Section:

We would like to share with our families more about why we do what we do. This is a goal in our new Quality Improvement Plan for 2017/2018. We do have reasons behind what we do and we would like to share more with our families. At our staff meeting in the holidays we discussed the following question.

Why do we have shared meal times with the children?

- It promotes communication skills
- It allows time for discussions occur about healthy eating in a real context
- Educators and children eating together allows educators to set a good example to the children about what to eat and how to eat as well, to be role models.
- It provides for social interactions between children and educators and between children. Yes there is opportunities all day but some children play a great deal by themselves and this time gives them safe and supported opportunity to develop their social skills.
- Provides familiar routine for children
- Provides opportunities for turn taking and waiting for each other which occurs all throughout life so is preparation for life.
- Families don't always get to sit together as a family we find in society and we like to provide for this time at Preschool.

Please feel free to provide comments to us and also to ask us about anything that we do and what you would like to know more about.

Quality Improvement Plan

We have reviewed our Quality Improvement Plan and Set New Goals for our Preschool to Work Towards for 2017/2018. Please feel free to take a look at a copy at the sign in/out sheet or Fleur can email you the goals if you wish. We will be sharing more in the coming newsletters and will seek more family input.

Tables

We no longer require our two large round tables at Preschool and would like to offer them to parents for \$10. One is ready to go and the other just needs to be re-attached to the base. Please see Fleur if you would like one.

Room on a Broom Show at
Cube in Wodonga, 27th
October. Check out details at
www.thecubewodonga.com.au