



Flagstaff Oval Kindergarten Update

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Issue 2 Term 1.

We are off to a busy start with only 3 children struggling on the first few days but quickly settling in to the routine and beginning to develop new friendships. Thank you for your participation in the staggered start times. This has worked well in supporting all children and families to settle. Children have been placed into smaller groups which will support them to develop a 'circle of security' in these early days that will broaden engagement within the curriculum.

Remember to have a look in our floor book so that you can keep up with what is happening at Kindy. You will also have many opportunities to be involved with cooking and other experiences as the term goes on.

A4 Story of your child. If you have not done this already can you please do so asap as children are in the process of sharing their stories with their peers in the small groups. You may have seen some up on the board already.

Labels !!!! Please make sure you label everything so that items can be returned to you. We are supporting children to become independent and responsible for their own belongings. This is much easier if staff can identify the item.

Sunblock and medications. If you have provided your child with their own sunscreen and /medication please hand it in to staff for safety reasons. We have a basket with individual children's sunscreen in along with the one used by most of the children that staff use to support children to administer at lunch times. Medication should never be left in a child's bag as we cannot guarantee that other children won't have access or that it won't be shared.

Friday sessions. It is important that children attend this session if possible even though it is half a day. It makes up the time that is provided for all children to support positive and strong educational outcomes. If you are unsure of which Friday your child attends, a sign is located on the white board as you enter the kindy to remind you (and staff!)

Please note: Koala group (children that attend on Monday and Wednesday) come for half a day this term on: Feb 2nd and 16th, March 2nd and 16th, April 11th

The Kurraka group (children that attend Tuesday and Thursdays) come for half a day this term on:

Feb 9th and 23rd March 23rd April 6th.

Learning Stories. As time goes on you will find copies of learning stories in your pockets with feedback sheets attached to them. This is how staff record and document your child's learning throughout the year. The original coloured copy will go into your child's learning folder and a black and white copy will be sent home for you to keep. We ask that you take the time to look at the story with your child and jot down any feedback or responses you or your child may have. Then return the feedback sheet for staff to use to programme and plan for future learning experiences and opportunities.

Diary Dates: Thurs 8th Feb: Governing Council meeting 3.30pm all welcome.

Wed 15th Cyhs checks. Relevant families notified.

Mon 19th/Tue 20th: families invited to afternoon tea gathering.

Issues or concerns.

Please make sure that if you have any concerns or issues arise that you make a time to chat with myself or a member of staff. We are here to help your child to be the best they can be and to do that we need to work together.

No Nuts !

We have children that are allergic.

Warmest Regards: Meegan, Sue, Kerry, Ruth, Rosalie, Jo, Krysten, Monica and Sue L