



Flagstaff Oval Kindergarten Update

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Issue 4 Term 1.

We are mid-way through the term now and children are starting to feel tired and emotional as the realisation of coming to Kindy sets in. Generally with support to manage their emotions children will move on and continue to thrive in this environment. It is important to acknowledge your child's feelings and frustrations and provide support and guidance without allowing yourself to be drawn in to the experience yourself. Children need to feel the safety of boundaries around them to establish their own ability to regulate emotions. They look to loved ones to manage these emotions and in doing so develop the skills and strategies to manage their own. Likewise children need to experience a certain amount of challenge from their peers to develop their growing understanding of how to relate with others and to develop strategies to manage conflict effectively to support their own sense of self. Children at this age will inevitably experience conflict both verbally and physically as children tend to be reactive and are developing skills to use words as a means of managing frustrations effectively. Through our Child protection curriculum and general pedagogical practices staff are working with all children to support this area of development so that our children can be confident and caring individuals.

Bunnings BBQ We will be having a Bunnings BBQ on Sunday the 15th of April which is the first weekend of the school holidays. This is a major fundraiser for the Kindergarten and only occurs every couple of years. We are desperately looking for people to help out on the day either cooking or serving. If you are able to help out can you please put your name down on our list near the sign in book. Any amount of time would be greatly appreciated and help relieve the pressure for staff and Governing Council to do it all.

Essentials4women. We are again asking for donations of sanitary products to support homeless women in need of sanitary items. We have placed the bin alongside the lost property bin you families to make donations. These will then be collected and distributed as needed. We thank you for your support in helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

Suitable footwear. Please ensure your child attends Kindy in suitable footwear ie sandals or sneakers that are strapped on and support the foot. Some children have been attending in thongs or slip on shoes that are a trip hazard when climbing and engaging in morning exercises. We do allow children to wear no shoes in order to connect with nature but they are needed for exercises.

Kyton's Bakery orders. Our fundraiser with Kyton's Bakery for Hot Cross Bun orders are due back by Monday the 19th of March in order to be delivered before Easter. Please make sure you get your orders in this week.

Easter Parade. We will be celebrating Easter with an Easter Hat Parade at the kindy on Wednesday the 28th and Thursday the 29th of March at 12.30. Children will attend Kindy as usual in the morning and have lunch at the normal time. Parents/caregivers and families will arrive at 12.30 for the parade which will last approximately 20 minutes. Children can either make their hats at kindy or you can support them at home. After this children will engage in an Easter egg hunt with their families. Governing Council will be running a Hot Cross Bun stall and Coffee will be available. If you are unable to attend please let staff know so that those children can be supervised by staff.

Diary Dates:

21st/22nd March- Excursion to Kaurana cultural centre.

28th/29th March - Easter Hat Parade and afternoon tea.

Friday 13th April - Last day Term 1.

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