

CTC Childcare Services

Monthly Newsletter

April 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have been very busy getting their artwork ready for the Nanango Show. They are very proud of their efforts as are all staff members. A number of children have very eagerly shown me their wonderful creations and can't wait to show them off to the whole of Nanango.

Staffing

We have a few staff changes. Shantelle will be returning from maternity leave on 7 April in the Before School Care position at Community Kids. Jeanette will commence at After School Care at Community Kids, while Maryanne will be employed on a casual basis across both centres.

We would like to welcome Sheryl to Nanango Childcare Centre. She is studying her Certificate III in Children Services and is doing her vocational placement with us and will be working in both rooms while she is here.

After 8 years, Chrissy is leaving Nanango Childcare Centre. We would all like to wish Chrissy well in her new venture. She will be sadly missed by the staff and children alike. Her last day will be Friday 2 May. Tane will be stepping into her role on a temporary basis until permanent arrangements can be made.

Staff on leave this month are as follows;

Emma will be on leave from 7 to 22 April. Kacy will be her replacement.

Rhonda will be on leave from 14 to 22 April. Ann Maree will be the Teacher for the Pre-Preps during this time. I will also be on leave from 14 to 22 April. Please direct any enquires to Megan during my absence.

Megan will be on leave on Friday 11 April and then also from 22 to 28 April.

Jo will be on leave from 22 to 28 April. Maryanne will be covering for Jo.

Upcoming events

The Nanango Show is on 11 and 12 April at the Nanango Show Grounds. Make sure you look for your child's work while at the show this year.

Vacancies

At the moment there are no vacancies in the Cubs Room (Nursery) on Wednesdays. If you wish for your child to attend additional days, please contact the office.

Reminders

Please remember to let the office know at least two weeks in advance, if your child is having holidays so we can ensure you get discounted fees. All the Easter fundraiser orders should be in by now. Your orders will be ready for collection from your centre on Wednesday 16 April. Thank you to all the families who purchased their Easter goodies from our fundraiser. Proceeds will go towards a fort for each of the centres. We hope you all enjoy the goodies over the Easter break.

Please remember to include a drink bottle in your child's things to bring for



the day. We are happy to refill these during the day if needed. Sheets and hat also need to come along each day with your child.

If you are travelling during this holiday time please take care and stay safe.

Happy Easter everyone!! Theresa

UPCOMING EVENTS

April

- 7 22 School Holidays
- 7 Vacation Care commences
- 11 12 Nanango Show
- 18 Good Friday
 Centre Closed
- 21 Easter Monday Centre Closed
- 25 Anzac Day
 Centre Closed

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11 Mother's Day



News from our Rooms

Cubs Room

Hello again to all of our wonderful families. We have had such an exciting start to our year that we are just cruising through all of our activities so quickly. Our colour month went off without a hitch and all of our artwork has been put on the walls to show everybody how much fun was had. The children are going to begin April by making Easter baskets plus lots of colourful and exciting artwork to display around the room. Some of our little ones will be enjoying their first Easter with their families. As this is a special time for them it is good to record this milestone by taking lots of pictures, so everyone can see how much they have grown. The children have even got a head start on their beautiful Mother's Day gifts. Dee and I have brainstormed and are going to start to introduce different fruits and foods from around the world into our daily routine. Any ideas or input from parents or carers would be greatly appreciated.

Until next time

Jaimee & Dee



Cheeky Cheetahs Room

Hi all and welcome to another great month.

We celebrated St Patrick 's Day this month.

We had loads of fun on our treasure hunt and making a rainbow out of our painted hands. Saint Patrick even wrote us a letter.

Easter holidays are coming up fast. If your children are not going to be here over the holidays please fill out the Holiday Communication Form in the foyer as soon as possible to be eligible for discounted fees. The Easter Bunny may just hop into the Cheeky Cheetahs Room, so watch out for his foot prints.

Also please check the lost property as it is mounting up.

Thanks

Miss Sarah, Miss Jo, Miss Chrissy, Miss Jeanette









The Pre-Prep room is just so busy with more displays appearing in our room all the time. During March we have looked at many different Australian animals including the echidna, koala, kangaroo, wombat, gecko and possum. These animals are all over the walls and they look fantastic.

On Saint Patrick's Day we made green jelly, it was really tasty. We also have leprechauns and four leafed clovers to bring us good luck, so hopefully we may find a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

We have finished our contribution for the show and everyone is so proud of what they have completed.

Thank you to everyone who has brought in fruit to share as well as making sure bedding, hats and all clothing is named. The "lost property" box is becoming quite full. Please check that you have all your child's belongings.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope you have a wonderful Easter.

Miss Rhonda and Miss Emma







Schoolies Room

As we have come into the season of Autumn both the Schoolies and their educators have spent a lot of time outdoors. Whilst the weather has been very pleasant, the children have utilised their time outdoors participating in a range of activities and experiences.

Mr Tane has spent the last couple of weeks relieving Miss Toni while she is on annual leave. It has been during this time both the children and Mr Tane have participated in a few outdoor games especially cricket which we have played both in the morning and afternoon. We have also spent time indoors with Miss Maryanne in the afternoons preparing for our display which will be at the Nanango Show. The children have put a lot of effort into these and they will look fabulous when finished.

Other activities the children, Mr Tane and Miss Maryanne have enjoyed during these sessions included board games, playdough, quiet reading and computers.

Homework from school has been encouraged for the children to attempt or complete if needed.

Please remember to check your child/children's pocket each day. They are now located opposite the sign in book near the glass sliding doors.

Finally the sticker chart is looking fantastic. This is due to the great effort from all the children in ensuring they remember to bring their hats, water bottles etc. and the wonderful assistance they have provided when either setting up or packing away the outdoor/indoor equipment.

Mr Tane, Miss Toni and Miss Maryanne







































Recipe of the Month - Rice Cakes

Ingredients

- * 2/3 cup basmati rice
- 250g skinless smoked chicken breast diced
- 2/3 cup semi-dried tomatoes, roughly chopped
- * 1 1/3 cups grated mozzarella cheese
- * 3 green onions, thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup basil leaves, finely shredded
- * 3 eggs, lightly beaten

Method

- Preheat oven to 200°C. Grease an 8 x 2/3 cup capacity mini loaf pan
- * Cook rice, set aside to cool
- Place rice, chicken, tomatoes, 1 cup of cheese, onions, basil, eggs and pepper into a large bowl. Mix well to combine
- Spoon mixture into prepared pan. Sprinkle with remaining cheese
- Bake for 15 to 20 minutes or until cakes are firm to touch and golden
- * Let stand for 5 minutes, turn onto a wire rack and allow to cool completely.

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