

# **CTC** Childcare Services

# **Monthly Newsletter**

November 2013

Dear Parents/Guardians,

These past few weeks have been very difficult for everyone with the sudden passing of Gayle Sanders. Thank you for all your well wishes and kind words, these and working with all the children have helped us all in our healing process. We would also like to say thank you to the parents who kept their children home on the day of Gayle's funeral which allowed most of our staff to attend.

Tane and Chrissy will be the Lead Educators in the Tadpoles Room. This is a temporary arrangement until we have appointed a permanent staff member for this room. If you have any questions regarding this please speak to me.

I would like to welcome Kacy Davies and Ann Maree Lee to South Burnett CTC Childcare. Kacy will be our Relief Assistant Educator and Ann Maree will be filling the role of Relief Teacher and Relief Lead Educator. Both will be working across both centres.

By now you all would have received your invitations for the Childcare Services Christmas party. Could you please return the RSVP to Megan or myself by Friday 29 November, **if you are** 

attending or not, so we can make all the necessary arrangements. Remember the party starts at 5:30pm on Friday 6 December and will finish at 7:30pm.

We look forward to seeing you all there!!!!

Until next time

Theresa

Co-Ordinator



# UPCOMING EVENTS November

 20th Universal Children's Day

#### December

- 3rd Pre Prep
  Graduation Day
- 6th CTC Childcare Christmas Party at Community Kids
- 16th School Holidays begin
- 25th & 26th CENTRE CLOSED

#### **REMINDERS**

- Parents please make sure your accounts are up to date prior to the end of the year and all relevant paperwork has been filled out, i.e. transfer between centres & cancellation of enrolment
- \* Please ensure that children bring suitable sun smart clothing, wide brimmed hat and labelled drink bottle
- Vacation Care fee will now be \$60.00 per day, this takes effect from 1 December 2013

# News from our Rooms

## **Pumpkins Room**

What a busy and exciting month we have had. Joshua and Kenneth have moved up into the big Tadpoles Room. We have been making lots of different play dough. Our favourite one was made out of cornflour and conditioner. It was so much fun and smelt beautiful. Christmas is just around the corner so we have begun our Christmas activities. There is tinsel starting to be put on our walls and Christmas songs are being sung. Please remember to provide spare clothes for your child as the weather is warming up and we love our water play. Our family photo wall will be starting once we get most of our photos, the ones we have received are looking great. Please remember to bring in your wonderful family photos.

Until next time Jaimee & Dee

### Tadpoles Room

Here we are nearly at the end of the year. A lot of changes have taken place in the Tadpole Room. I have been extremely proud of how well the children have coped and adapted to these changes. This has not affected their eagerness to learn. The children have been willing to learn and build on what myself (Tane), Chrissy and the other educators have introduced to them. Allowing the children as well to have input into these experiences and activities.

Over the last few weeks the children and educators have continued their learning of the season Spring. This has been incorporated into our group time, language sessions and our art experiences. The children have displayed a keen interest in these especially now that the weather is changing. In the next few months both the children and educators will be spending more time outdoors participating in water play and taking our art experiences outdoors. Please make sure your child is

dressed in appropriate sun smart clothing including a wide brimmed hat and shirts with sleeves (not singlets) and have spare clothes in their bags. Chrissy, Anne Maree, Jo, Jeanette and myself encourage input from families so if you have any suggestions or ideas you may wish us to include into our program feel free to speak to us.

On another note with Christmas fast approaching, we would appreciate any donations from families that we could include into our play. This may be old Christmas cards, books, recipes or songs from other cultures. We value any input and love to hear stories, interests and traditional themes that you may feel we can contribute into both our room and programs.

Tane, Chrissy, Jo, Jeanette & Anne Maree

#### Pre - Prep Room

Spring has arrived and our room has burst into flower. We have also discussed that it is time for many animals to be born and our fluffy lambs look so cute. The gardens continue to flourish and we now have planted strawberries and corn. A huge thank you to Kira's mum for donating some big black pots for us to use. As soon as the soil arrives we will plant some cherry tomatoes and carrots.

Halloween was fun, everyone dressed up and there were so many different characters. Our shared morning tea was wonderful. Thanks to all the parents who provided such yummy foods for us to share - we were spoilt.

The year is galloping away quickly, so there are some dates that need to be remembered:

It is so good that most children are remembering their wide brimmed hats and water bottles. These are so important now that the weather is becoming much warmer.

Oh Goodness!! It is time for us to think about Christmas. We just love this time of the year so we will be busy just like Santa's Elves.

Rhonda, Emma & Kacy

#### Schoolies Room

Before School Care: Now that our mornings are getting warmer the children can go outside to play before going over to the school.

Afternoon School Care: The children have afternoon tea when they arrive from school. Weather permitting we then go outside to play. The children all enjoy free play in the yard after a long day at school. Now that it's getting warmer can parents please remember to put a water bottle and wide brimmed hat in.

Vacation Care: Vacation Care commences again on 16 December. Booking forms are now available from the office or the Schoolies Room.

Toni & Maryanne



Prep Graduation





## **CTC CHILDCARE SERVICES**

#### NANANGO CHILDCARE CENTRE

#### COMMUNITY KIDS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to invite you to our children's Christmas Party Where: Community Kids 42 Drayton Street, Nanango When: Friday 6 December 2013 Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm RSVP: 29 November 2013 07 4171 0033 (Community Kids) 07 4163 1279 (Nanango Childcare Centre

These invites have been put in all family pockets. Could you please let Theresa or Megan know if you are attending.

# Recipe of the Month— Feta, Spinach & Roast Pumpkin Salad Ingredients Method

- 1 cup diced pumpkin roasted
- 1/4 cup roasted pine nuts
- 1/3 cup crumbled feta
- 2 cups chopped spinach
- Balsamic Vinegar for dressing

CTC CHILDCARE SERVICES CONTACT DETAILS

**Community Kids** 07 4171 0033

Nanango Childcare Centre 07 4163 1279

**Coordinator** Theresa Cullinane 0427 622 954 Email: theresac@sbctc.com.au

#### Service Manager Susan Jerome 0428 886 855 Email: susanj@sbctc.com.au

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Once all ingredients are prepared mix them together in a salad bowl and drizzle with

Balsamic Vinegar and serve.

Headquarters	4162 9000
Disability Services	
CROSB	4162 9081
Gumnut	4168 1852
Youth Services	
Kingaroy	4162 7788
Murgon	4169 5940
Employment Services	
Kingaroy	4162 2566
Murgon	4168 2155
Gympie	5481 1488
Partners in Foster Care	
Wondai	4169 0587

