



HALLETT COVE PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 13th June Week 7 Term 2, 2017

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Hello Families,

Winter has arrived and we have been taking advantage of the beautiful crisp sunny days to get outside and enjoy some active play together, including some picnic lunches before the wet weather of winter arrives.

These last weeks we have been learning about the three bin garbage system, including a visit from Allison Byrne from Marion Council and what goes in each in and how we can recycle to minimize the amount of waste going to landfill. We hope your children are sharing some of their knowledge and learning with you.

We are hoping that you can support our learning by thinking twice before using cling wrap or sending prepackaged snacks. Instead please send fresh food choices that can be composted or small amounts of food in re-useable containers. Wash out zip lock bags for next time and invest in sustainable multi compartment lunch boxes. You will be supporting your child's learning and practicing your own ways for a greener earth.

We have handed out the **children's reports, (please return these with your comment as soon as possible)** and started our **Parent teacher conversations** and we look forward to chatting with as many parents as we can to talk about planning for your child's progress. These appointments are limited to 15 minutes so please be prompt to your appointment as going over time will impact on the next person's time. **Please see staff if you have not yet made your appointment, so we can confirm a time with you.**

This term we have been trying to support children's thinking through questioning. We wondered whether parents might like to support us to do this. The next time you child asks you a question, respond with a question. For example, something as simple as "Where are my shoes?" can become a thinking moment. Instead of finding their shoes for them, ask "Where did you take them off?", When were you using them last? This sometimes takes a little longer but it helps to build skills of independence and for them to be accountable for where they leave things.

If children are wondering about their world, ask them what they think? No matter how outrageous their response it helps to build them to build their thinking and theories of the world. They actually grow their brain by firing up synapses and making connections between existing knowledge and new ideas.

Let's help our children to be learners by allowing them to be explorers and thinkers.

TERM 2 DIARY DATES

- Week 7 12th-16th June
Friday Kindy Group 1
- WEEK 8 19TH-23RD June
Friday Kindy Group 2
- WEEK 9 26TH-30TH June
Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th Jack and Molly Entertainers
Friday Kindy Group 1
- WEEK 10 3-7TH July
Friday Kindy Group 2
Morning Session 9-12 noon
Walk and Picnic

BUNNINGS COMMUNITY BARBECUE

Thank you to all the family members or donated items, money to support our Bunnings Community BBQ.

Thank you to all the parent helpers who gave up their public holiday Monday; Peter de Michele, Paul Sincock, Jarrad & Olivia Schipper, Masako Tilling, Ben de Young and his dad Colin, Dani Hobbs and her parents, Roger Alexander, Rikki Jamieson, Martin & Nicole Griggs and Racheal Murphy

A special thank you to Deanna Sincock who has helped me with organizing the sausages, onions (and cutting them with Rikki Jamieson) bread, and was able to get a \$20 donated voucher from Woolworths at Hallett Cove to support our other miscellaneous purchases for the BBQ. Also Nicole Griggs for buying the drinks.

We raised over \$1600 for the purchase of new home corner furniture for our kindy.

KINDY PHOTOS

A reminder to all the families who have not yet collected their kindy photos.

Once you have paid for your photos please see staff to collect your album.

If you have reordered photos it is anticipated they should be available soon, and we will place these directly in your pigeon hole.

DONATIONS: Each term we ask families for donations of some everyday items. This term we are asking for **Toilet Rolls, (Priority) and Tissues (Runny nose season is upon us!)**. If you are able to pop an extra one in your trolley while you are doing your grocery shopping and bring it in to us as a donation is appreciated.

SPARE CLOTHING: We encourage you to **send along a change of clothes** in case your child gets wet or muddy at Kindy.
During the wet weather...
You may also like to send along named gumboots and rain jacket.
PLEASE NAME ALL COATS AND JUMPERS THAT MIGHT BE TAKEN OFF

10c Recycling

As you know this term we have been talking about recycling and sustainability. As part of our focus on Recycling we were hoping that for the months of June and July, families may be able to donate their 10c recycling items such cans, plastic bottles and other containers towards a special fundraising venture (including fruit boxes, small milk cartons, poppa bottles and yakult bottles)

Ask your children to help you look for the 10c recyclable symbol
We will be making a wall graph display to support children use of data awareness with them placing a spot for each 10c container they bring in.

Please remember to rinse your containers and please no alcohol containers especially beer bottles as we don't want the glass at the Preschool after hours.

If you have any questions , ask the staff team ☺