



# grenfell preschool & long day care centre

newsletter  
16<sup>th</sup> August 2010

## Recipe Book

Wouldn't it be great to get a recipe book together with everyone favourite recipe in it. A books that has tried recipes in it that all the family like . A section with lunchbox idea , maybe Gluten free section. Well guess what!!!!. The staff have decided to do just that and Laraine Bland has volunteered to get it all together. She is asking that you all give her your favourite recipe with your name on it to be published in our book. We are going to ask the children to illustrate it for us too. You may email the recipe to the [rainbow@grenfellpreschool.com.au](mailto:rainbow@grenfellpreschool.com.au) or leave them at the office.

## Out Door Play

Outdoor play is a very important part of the daily routine and for the children to enjoy this opportunity we ask you to send along a coat and/or warm jumper for your child. Please clearly label all your children's belongings including bottles and lunch boxes and especially clothing that is likely to be taken off during the day. Please remember to check the lost property box in each room for clothing that has been left at the centre

## Spot Check

An NCAC validator conducted a spot check and thank you to all the staff that were in attendance on the day for making her feel welcome. It is pleasing to see the unannounced spot check verified that our high standards are being maintained on an ongoing basis. Well done everyone!

## Email from America

Successful learning is a journey that requires collaboration between family and staff so it can truly reflect the needs of the child within the context from which they come. Sharing stories about your family holiday can become a talking and learning point with the children too. Last week the centre received an email with photos from Sadie, Tully and their parents while they are on holidays in America and visiting Disneyland. Emily and Katie and the children from the Garden room took time to reply to the email and told them about how cold it was in Grenfell and what they had been doing at daycare. The children talked together about all the things Sadie and Tully and their parents might get to see when they visit Disneyland.

Phoebe was quick to tell us all about a Mickey and Minnie mouse her uncle brought her back from Disneyland. Showing the children where America is and talking about how to get there and how long it takes captured their interest to continue to ask questions about America and Disneyland.

## EYE SCREENING StEPS 7<sup>th</sup> September 2010

The State-wide Eyesight Preschooler Screening (StEPS) program is an initiative of the NSW Department of Health and offers all 4 year old children a free vision screening assessment

It is **highly recommended** all 4 year old children participate in the vision screening program as many vision problems remain undetected unless a child's vision is screened by a trained vision screener.

Your child's vision will be screened one eye at a time and **no drops** will be used.

All parents/carers of children who have their vision screened will be informed of the results of their child's vision screening assessment.

Should a vision problem be detected parents/carers will receive a letter asking them to have their child's vision fully tested by an eye health professional.

As children's eyes continue to develop until approximately 8 years of age it is important to ensure every child's vision develops normally throughout these formative years and Greater Western Area Health Services recommends you have your child's vision tested fully by an eye health professional if you have any concerns regarding your child's vision.

Even though we have had Young eyes attend the centre for eye screening you can still have your eyes re tested . Notes will be going home with the 4year olds to be fill out

**Annual General Meeting: Monday 20th  
September 2010 at 7:00pm.  
We look forward to seeing you there!**

## AGM – 20th September 2010

Are you interested in becoming more involved in the day-to-day running of the Centre?

Would you like to be part of our Management Committee?

The Management Committee of Grenfell Preschool & Long Day Care Centre is elected each year at the AGM. The Committee comprises of seven members, 4 Executive members (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) and 3 Ordinary members.

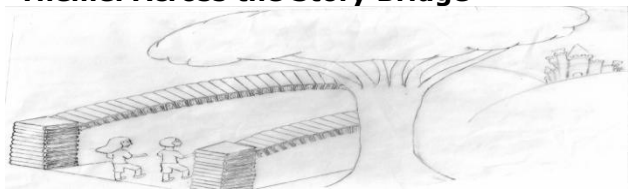
The Management Committee has ultimate responsibility for the operation of the Centre including:

- overseeing the activities of the Centre and ensuring the Centre meets licensing obligation.
- controlling the Centre's money and ensuring proper financial records are kept.
- hiring new staff and ensuring work conditions and salaries are in accordance with Awards.
- setting fee levels and developing policies.
- ensuring the premises are maintained and promoting the Centre to the community.

If you are interested in being part of our Committee please come along to the AGM. Everyone is welcome! Nominations and elections take place at the AGM. **Written nominations will be accepted prior to the AGM. A Nomination Form is attached to the newsletter and will also be available from the office or on our website.** We invite all parents to come along to the AGM and to become more involved in our fantastic Centre.

## The Book Fair /Book week

**Theme: Across the Story Bridge**



The Book Fair and Book Week starts on the 23rd August. There will be books in the foyer for sale. If you wish to dress your child up as a character in a book please do. If you would like to come in and read to the children you would be most welcome.

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Committee Corner



Fancy Dress Ball  
Postponed until further notice

## Change to the Rules of the association

Most of the changes are designed to modernise the law, reduce red tape and allow more flexibility for associations. There will also be stronger protection of association finances. Most of the day-to-day procedures and operations of associations will not be directly impacted. The new laws have been carefully designed to make the transition as smooth as possible for associations. There will be more details about this in a future newsletter as the changes will need to be made at a future General Meeting.

## SKIN CARE FORUM

(For the very young!!)

You are invited to an information morning

On

Monday

30<sup>th</sup> August 2010

Tabitha Jones will be speaking about skin care for infants and children.

Our local Child & Family Health Nurses (Belinda & Susan) will also be there to offer support and information on the common infectious illnesses associated with childhood and beyond.

Anyone interested may come along. Mothers of young babies and children are most welcome as this will be a great opportunity to hear up to date information on basic skin care and sharing information together.

Date: 30 August 2010

Time: 10.00am for 10.30am Start

Venue: The Grenfell Library (The Hub)

Morning tea will be offered

We are asking for a gold coin donation to cover cost.

**RSVP:** 26 August 2010

Please Call The Grenfell Community Health

On 6349 1777

## Congratulations Adrian & Gabriella Capra

The wait is finally over, new premises, espresso bar, training centre & roasting warehouse is complete!

Art of Espresso - Young

Opening Friday 20th August!

35 Main St, Young, 63821151

Delicious treats, Italian style Panini, Gourmet Salads, European Hot Chocolate & of course

*Award Winning Freshly Roasted Coffee.*

## Dates to Remember

AGM- 20<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm

Community Health Centre

Immunisation Clinic 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month

Grenfell Show - 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4th September Grenfell

Story Time 25<sup>th</sup> August 2010 25<sup>th</sup> August 2010

8<sup>th</sup> September.2010 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2010