



grenfell preschool & long day care centre

newsletter

20th July 2009

Waste Education Program

In conjunction with Weddin Shire Council NetWaste are offering a free workshop to schools. The presentations will provide the staff and children with an opportunity to take an in-depth look at recycling and the positive environmental benefit of the 3R – **REDUCE-REUSE-RECYCLE**. Our centre has been recycling for some time and the children have some knowledge. Netwaste will be at the centre on 5th August. For the weeks following the staff will see that it is included in their programme so all children will be aware of the 3 R's

Samaritan's Purse

This term the Grenfell Preschool and LDC centre will be involved in OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. This is a project organised by Samaritan's Purse. Samaritan's Purse is a non-profit Christian organisation providing emergency relief and development assistance to suffering people around the world.

The aim of Operation Christmas Child is to send shoe boxes filled with gifts to children in poverty. Each child receives a shoebox filled with school supplies, toys and clothes. The shoeboxes are designed to bring hope and pleasure to children in need, who may never have received a gift before.

The Grenfell preschool and Long Day Care Centre has taken on this project in the hope that we will help children in need and to help the children in our centre become aware of children less fortunate than themselves. We will be discussing the project with the children and explaining what we are planning to do. We are hoping that together we can fill a few boxes to donate to this worthy cause.

The attached leaflet has a list of "Gift Ideas" that will assist you to decide what you could donate. The leaflet also has a list of what is unsuitable (any liquids that can leak or spill, war related items that could frighten children who may already be traumatised by war, food that would not be allowed into other countries due to customs regulation, etc).

Please also remember that all the items donated must be new. If you would like to discuss this subject, feel free to see Sharon.

Please leave donated gifts with any staff member at our centre.

Your generosity will be much appreciated to assist us to undertake this project

There is **NO** one with swine flu at the centre

There had been a **SUSPECTED** case of swine flu with one of the parents however **it was not** confirmed

Both H1N1 influenza 09 (SWINE FLUE) and normal seasonal influenza can produce symptoms of fever, chills, cough, sore throat, tiredness, and muscle aches, and sometimes vomiting and diarrhoea.

Severe cases of influenza can result in breathing difficulty and pneumonia. Symptoms generally appear between two to four days after exposure. If you develop these symptoms, you should stay home until your symptoms are gone

Please remember to wash your hands when entering the centre and leaving

INFECTIOUS DISEASES:

Sometimes, children and adults need to be away from the centre for the safety of others. This is called exclusion. Excluding sick children is one way of minimizing the spread of infection at the centre. The National Health and Medical Research Council recommend that children who are physically unwell should be excluded from attending school, preschool and childcare centres

The Centre is unable to provide care for sick children. If a child becomes sick at the Centre, staff will consult with the Director and then the parents will be contacted. If the parents cannot be contacted the staff members will then contact the listed emergency contacts on the enrolment form. Staff will document all incidents of sickness in the sick book, providing information about signs and symptoms and action taken.

Parents will need to find alternative care arrangements when children are sick. The Centre retains the right to exclude any child who is regarded by the Director to be a health risk to other children, or any child who is obviously unwell and distressed. If a child has commenced medication they must be kept at home for at least 24 hours to allow the medication to take effect.

Day out with Thomas

Cassie Eppelstun has for sale 4 tickets for a day out with Thomas, at the Rail Heritage Centre, Thirlmere on Saturday 19th September 2009 The tickets are for 2 adults and 2 children for \$100. You meet with Thomas and ride with Henry. You get to watch Toby, Donald and the troublesome Trucks .There is a Movie station, jumping castle. Face painting, Story Telling and a mini Train Ride You can take a rail discovery Tour too. There are all the family facilities available for a great day out. Ph Cassie on 63432721

Total Learning Fundraiser

Total learning fundraiser is an opportunity to purchase quality educational and fun books, activities, CD-ROMs & puzzles for your children to benefit from, and by doing that helps our centre to receive books. Order forms are due back Tuesday 28th July 2009. Andrew & Lindy Frampton are the consultants for Grenfell and their phone No 0263433200 Mob: 0409392457. Andrew and Lindy also offer to organise a private Book Look in your home. They display and discuss products for you and a group of your friends. You receive up to 20% of sales in free products of your choice. Should you take up this offer our centre will also benefit by receiving more free products

Lost Property

There are a few items in the lost property box Please look in them to see if they are your Childs. I remind you all to label your children's items. There is a new red zipper top with a hood it in the Garden Room that need an owner... Please look to see if it belongs to your child.

Staff

Sharon will be away for the first two weeks of August for a well-earned holiday.

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Dates to remember

Healthy Little ears programme
Starts term 3

AGM
21st September 2009 at 7pm

Total Learning Fundraiser
Return date 28/7/09