



grenfell preschool & long day care centre

newsletter

29th November 2010



Committee Corner

Nominations are being called for the position on the Management Committee as an ordinary member.

If you wish to nominate please fill out the nomination form at the office. Nominations extended to 3rd December 2010

Sarah Trotter has kindly taken on the position as our Secretary

- Keep anyone with a cough away from your newborn especially until your baby has had 3 whooping cough vaccines
- Booster vaccines for children and adults stop whooping cough spreading to babies
- Immunity fades. You can still get whooping cough, even if you've been immunised

Prevent

Whooping cough spreads quickly when people cough in the early stages of the infection

- If you have symptoms, see a doctor fast and get tested
- Early detection and early treatment prevents spread to others
- Stay home until no longer infectious. Ask your doctor when it's safe to return to work, school or childcare.

Working Bee

Thank you to Sally, Scott, Archie, Banjo Metcalfe, Tim Woods and Ross Armstrong for coming to the working bee. We turned and replaced the softball cleaned the gutters and moved all the old building material. I appreciate you giving up your Saturday morning to help me with all those jobs that needed doing to improve our centre and keep the cost down

WARNING, WARNING, WARNING

Whooping cough (which is sometimes also called pertussis) is a serious infection that usually causes a long coughing illness. In babies, the infection can be life threatening. Anyone can get whooping cough and the infection can spread to others, including babies

IDENTIFY

The infection can be deadly in babies but anyone can get whooping cough

- Babies and young children can stop breathing or develop severe coughing bouts that end with vomiting or gasping for breath
- People of all ages can get whooping cough and can spread it to babies
- Adults often just have a mild cough that lingers

PROTECT

Immunise your baby on time to get the best protection



School photos

The Photo day went well and we hope to have the photos back in the next few weeks. We will inform you as soon as they arrive. Thank you all for being very understanding about the wait. There were lots of children and lots of photos to be taken



For Sale

Doona Covers for single bed \$35
Please ask at the office to see the designs

The Little yard

Please call and see the little yard as it is nearly finished and is looking great. Richard Ryan, the landscape gardener, has kindly donated some great plants to enhance the appearance of the yard.

The children get so excited to get outside in the new yard that some of them start running and topple over grazing their knees. The staff have been working on strategies to stop the running when first

going outside until they get used to the different levels and textures of the yard

Enrolments for preschool in 2011

The centre is calling for enrolments for preschool in 2011. If you wish to have your child enrolled in preschool in 2011 please call in at the office and place your child's name on the list.

Weddin Mobile Preschool Service Enrolments

Enrolments are also being called for the Mobile Preschool Service for Quandialla and Caragabal.

There will also be a survey go out hoping to find out ways to improve the service. Please take the time to fill them out to help us improve the service for you

Fees

The centre will close on the 23rd December and re open on the 10th January 2011

Reminder: If your child is leaving the centre please complete a Notice to change of booking form to advise of last day of attendance, Please ensure to have all outstanding fees paid before your child/rens last day of attendance, this will ensure all children leaving the centre can collect portfolios at the end of year Celebrations

All children will be booked in from 10th January so if you will be away please complete a form as well

End of year Celebrations

You are all invited and bring your friends, grandparents, aunts and uncles to the end of year Celebrations at the Grenfell Bowling Club on Thursday 16th December starting at 5pm. We will be starting with a sausage sizzle followed by the children entertaining you with songs. The preschool graduation will follow and presentation of portfolios and graduation certificates. I have also been told that Santa will be making an appearance at the celebration too. Please let us know if you're coming by placing your name on the attendance list in the office or playrooms so we can order sausages and bread. It is always a great night and a fun time to catch up with everyone.

If there is anyone willing to help me cook sausages on the night please come and see me .I will be only too pleased to have your help.

Interviews

If you did not get an interview with your child's teacher and still would like one please just ask and we could arrange one for you.

New Fence

The committee is putting up a new fence between the centre and our neighbour Mr and Mrs Walker on Thursday if the weather is fine. Scott Metcalfe and Tim Wood are coordinating however if there is anyone that could help it would be appreciated.

Footwear and Clothing

In order to ensure the safety of all children playing outdoors it is recommended that children wear lace up or buckled shoes with a textured sole to prevent slipping. Slip on type shoes or thongs are not recommended as they do not provide adequate support or protection for outdoor activities. Children will be provided with an opportunity to play without shoes as well.

For sun protection, please do not send your children to the Centre wearing singlet tops. Our Centre requires children to wear sun-wise clothing, eg t-shirts and shirts with sleeves.

Concerns and Complaints

Feedback from families is an important component in the delivery of high quality services to children and their families. We appreciate hearing your thoughts, whether they are positive or negative. We will use your feedback positively to improve the quality of service we are offering. All concerns and complaints are CONFIDENTIAL



Dates to Remember

The Centre is open 50 weeks of the year. The centre will close on Thursday 23rd December and reopen on the 10th January 2011.

End of year celebrations will be Thursday 16th December 2010 at the Grenfell Bowling Club

Notice Given Our policy state that 2 weeks' notice must be given. If you are leaving the centre and you do not give 2 weeks' notice you will be charged the normal rate of \$50 a day as CCB **cannot** be claimed.

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