



# grenfell preschool & long day care centre

newsletter

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2009

## Calling for Enrolments for 2010

Please fill out your enrolment forms for 2010 so we can do our staffing and roster. It is important to determine how many weeks the centre will be closed. If you have misplaced the form, please call at the office for another one.

## Change of Date

The next committee Meeting will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 7pm.

## Christmas Closer

The Centre is open 50 weeks of the year. It is shut down for two weeks at Christmas time to enable staff to take their annual leave. A survey is done annually to ascertain the need for our service during the Christmas break. At this stage it is planned that the centre will be closed from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2009 and reopen Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010. Quandialla will reopen Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2010

Children attending the Rainbow Room will be photographed first followed by group. Children not attending on Thursday will be done straight after the Group photos. Photos will start at 9am

## Story Time

All the staff were very proud of the children that attended story time at the Library. Along with all the other children that attended they sat and listened to the stories and answered questions when asked

## Can Assist Raffle

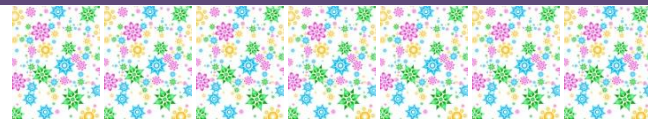
Raffle tickets are due back by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. Lindy Frampton has agreed to draw the winners name out. Good luck everyone.

Can-Assist Grenfell Grenfell's next fund raising event is held on Melbourne Cup –Yellow day Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at the Albion Hotel commencing at 11am



## School Transition

The School transition started on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October and will run for 5 weeks at the Grenfell public School and St Josephs Primary School starts on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November and runs for 3 weeks. Please help the schools with their staffing by enrolling your child in the school they will be attending. Just a reminder if you are picking up your child from the Grenfell Public School you need to be there before 3pm as the bus leaving for the centre leaves at 3pm. If you are not there to collect your child, before the bus leaves your child will be taken back to the centre and can be collected from there.



## Welcome Back Laraine

We welcome Lorraine Bland back to work. Laraine has asked to come back for 3 days a week and will do so until January. She will be working Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Rainbow room. Due to the high numbers attending the centre Lisa Jones will be also staying on until we close at the end of the year. The centre will be advertising for more staff soon and if you think, you would like to work at our great centre and are Energetic, Motivated and would be a Dedicated Team member please send your applications in when advertised.



## Quandialla Octoberfest

Congratulation to Quandialla Pre School committee for a wonderful Octoberfest they organised and raised over \$2,500 for the Quandialla preschool. If you have never been to one before make a point in doing so next year. They are all so friendly out there and make you feel so welcome.

## School photos

School Photos are Thursdays 5<sup>th</sup> Nov.

## Directors meeting

I will be away on Wednesday in orange at a Directors meeting

Christine and Nicole were away on Friday and will be away again on Monday on RDO's. Due to the high numbers of children, attending the centre you will be seeing more of our casual staff working. Please introduce yourself to them if you do not know them.

## Concerns

If you have any concerns please let us know so we can address them. I am only to please to speak to you. They can be away to improve the quality of care that we give and that what I as the Director d the committee and staff would like to do. If you do not tell us, we do not know.

## Parent/Staff Interviews:

Staff will be available to talk to parents about their child's progress during the week of 30<sup>th</sup> November-4th December. Please make an appointment with staff or adding your name to the class list at the front of the sign in/out book.

## Portfolios:

Staff are currently evaluating each child's objectives. Children who are leaving the centre will be given their portfolios at the end of year celebrations. The portfolios of children who will continue to attend the centre in 2010 will remain at the centre. Parents are welcome to look at their child's portfolio and if you wish to borrow it please inform staff.

## Notice from Weddin Shire Council

**Draft - No Smoking Policy** The Council at its meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2009, resolved to adopt a **Draft No Smoking Policy - Public Places and Council Owned Land**. In the interests of providing a smoke-free environment, Council will discourage smoking in all public places and Council controlled land, in particular places used for recreation and places used by children. Council declare smoke-free zones in the following areas:

- Within 10 metres of all children's play areas and facilities for use by children.
- On all playing fields and sporting grounds (the areas commonly used by players and officials)
- Footpath areas within 10 metres of the entrances to Council Operational buildings.

Council has created this policy in accordance with Division 8 of the Local Government Act 1993 and the relevant provisions of the Smoke Free Environment Act 2000. The policy if adopted will be enforceable under Section 632 of the Local Government Act 1993 - "Acting contrary to notices erected by councils" - The Draft Policy can be viewed at the Weddin Shire Office or click on the link below. Written comments will be received at the Weddin Shire Office until 4 pm Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2009. Further information may be

obtained by contacting Council's Environmental Services Section on 6343 1212.



### Dates to remember

General Meeting

Monday 16th November at 7pm

Community Health Centre – Immunisation Clinic

Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 16th December

School Photos

November 5<sup>th</sup> November

Parent Teacher Interviews

30<sup>th</sup> November- 4th December.

End of Year celebrations

15th December 2009 at the Grenfell Bowling Club from 5pm

## Reminder




Please remember to send a hat with your child. If you have any preschool hats or spare hats at home and do not want, we would be please to have them. You can purchases a Pre School hat from the centre for \$10.

## Think Safe Play - Safe Injury Fee Day

On an average day in Australia 5,000 children are injured in accidents. Injury Free Day, Friday October 30, is a national safety awareness campaign that promotes the importance of injury prevention in the workplace, school, home and community.

Support the KIDS Foundation to ensure your children never have an average day. Donations can be placed in the box at the office

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