

CTC CHILDCARE SERVICES MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

June 2015

Events

Say G'Day to Jay Kindy Concert

On Tuesday the 19th of May Pre-Prep and the 2-4 room attended the "Say G'Day to Jay Kindy Concert." The children, staff and adult volunteers travelled via bus to the Kingaroy Town Hall. This was a fantastic opportunity for the children to be part of the Kindy Counts Campaign, promoting the importance of Kindy Programmes. The children enjoyed an hour concert of singing, dancing and story telling by Jay Laga'aia. For many the adventure of the bus was just as much fun.



A huge thank you to all who helped on the day, making this day possible for the children.

I would like to thank all parents and children for their support and patience on the centre's photo day! As you all know this can be a long and tiring day, however I felt this year overall the day went well. I look forward to, as I am sure you do, seeing the end result. Photos should be back by the 22nd of June.

In support of National Simultaneous Story time, the children had a visit to the town library on the 27th of May. The children listened to a story called "The Brothers Quibble" by Aaron Blabey. Once the story was finished the children joined in with some craft activities.



Important Messages

As part of our Assessment and Rating process, we are always encouraging input around our programmes. If you would like to provide input or have any suggestions in relation to our programmes, please feel free to discuss this with one of the staff or fill out a "what we did on the weekend form" so this can be incorporated into the program. These are attached to the newsletter each month, and can also be found in each of the rooms.

We also seek feedback around policies and procedures. There is a different policy displayed each week, near the sign in sheets at both centres. You are welcome to read the policy and provide any feedback on the form provided.

Parents please take the time to check your parent pockets. Your statements are placed there each Monday, so you can collect and make payments each week upon receiving your statement. As per centre policy accounts are to be paid two weeks in advance. You will find other centre and child related information in your pockets as well.



School Aged Group

Term two is almost at its end, and vacation care is just around the corner. School holidays start on Monday the 29th of June and finish on Friday the 10th of July. Vacation care packs will be available for collection from Community Kids from Wednesday the 17th of June.

A window display has been created which will be used as a foundation to record your children's individual achievements, goals and weekly activities, creating a record of a living evolving program.

The children have been refining and extending their hand-eye coordination, gross motor skills, and spacial awareness as they practise for their school athletics carnival. Long jump in the sandpit and high jump have been proving popular, fun and challenging.

Pre- Prep

The children have been interested in writing their own names, so they have been practising this every chance they get, even signing their own artwork. The teachers have been introducing math concepts through counting and number games.

There is now a strength tree displayed in the Pre-Prep room, each child has a bird with their name on it, on the birds we will display records of your child's developmental growth, successes and achievements.

2-4 Cheeky Monkeys

The staff are encouraging the children with their self-help skills and communicating their needs. This is a very important part of your child's social development. Staff have been guiding this by asking children to use their words, help make their beds, blowing their noses and hand washing. Role modelling and guidance are a great learning tool.

The children explored dot painting and Australian animals in recognition of reconciliation week 27th of May-3rd of June, see the display in the 2-4 room.

Hand -eye coordination and fine motor skills were refined as the children made puppets, placing googly eyes, pipe cleaners and added an extra touch of colour with the use of pens. Their language skills were enhanced with the final stage, a puppet show. The children played out an array of scenes conversing in conversation between themselves and their audience.

0-2 Nursery

The staff have been building and extending on the children's interests. Some of the children have been using single descriptive words to communicate their needs. This was extended on when one child asked for bubbles and another was naming and pointing out tractors. Through the use of descriptive single words, the educators discovered personal interests. Educators can extend on these through-

Bubble play: The children were pointing and squealing as the bubbles flew high into the air. One of the children tried to blow bubbles, however this time proving unsuccessful.

Tractors: Children explored a variety of tractor activities from painting tractor prints, tractor tyre print painting and pointing out tractors going down the street near our playground and in books.

Puzzles: Interest in the colour puzzle led to one of the children completing the colour puzzle, with assistance and guidance. This then extended into whole group collages incorporating different colour and materials.





Recipe of the Month – Ham and Egg Bread Tarts

Ingredients

6 slices day – old wholemeal bread Rice bran oil cooking spray 1 tablespoon Alfa One rice bran oil 1/s small red onion, finely chopped 1 garlic clove, crushed 75g ham 6 eggs

Method

Preheat oven to 180°C/160°C fan-forced.
Grease a 6-hole, 3/4 cup-capacity nonstick muffin pan. Place bread on a board. Remove and discard crusts. Using a rolling pin, flatten bread slightly. Press a piece bread into 1 prepared muffin hole to form a cup. Spray with oil. Repeat with remaining bread. Bake for 10 minutes or until lightly browned.

Meanwhile, heat oil in a non-stick frying pan over medium heat. Add onion, garlic and ham. Cook, stirring, for 5 minutes or until onion has softened. Set aside to cool slightly.

Remove pan from oven. Spoon 1 table-spoon ham mixture into each case. Crack 1 egg over each. Season with salt and pepper. Bake for 18 to 20 minutes or until eggs are just set. Stand in pan for 10 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack to cool. Place tarts, in a single layer, in an airtight container lined with baking paper. Refrigerate.

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Events Calendar

June

26 Red Nose Day

29 School Holidays commence

July

- 6 12 NAIDOC Week
- 13 School resumes
- 17 National Pyjama Day Asthma
- 30 International Day of Friendship





Reminders

Sun Safety – ensure to bring wide brim hats

Winter Clothes – now that the weather is getting cold make sure your child has warm clothing with their names clearly labelled

Send along a named water bottle with your child each day Children's belongings to be clearly labelled

Mothers Day

A big thank you to all the parents who helped celebrate our Mothers Day morning tea. To those who couldn't make it we hope you had a wonderful Mothers Day

CTC CHILDCARE BUS SERVICE

CTC Childcare service offers a bus service to the immediate Nanango district for children who attend Community Kids or the Nanango Childcare Centre. Using the service incurs a small cost of two dollars per child per day. For more information please contact Megan or Renae.





| Family Input – What did you do on the weekend? | | | |
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| arly Years Learning Framework | Principle 2 Partnership | | Family |
| amily Name: | | Date: | |
| Child's Name: | | | |
| Please tell us what you did on the weekend. No matter how big or small, exciting or not so exciting. Everything parents and families do interest children and these events, no matter how big or small are the beeducational resources you can provide for the centre. We use these events in our curriculum/program and the ideexplored from your weekend can last for weeks. This allows you to see firsthand what we do and your child sees the chere is a connection between home and the centre. This strengthens the learning link. | | | |
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