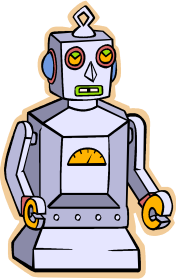


What a great start to the 2011 year. The children have been very busy making new poster signs for our entrance, constructing a robot, UFO's, alien masks and the usual craft/painting/outdoor activities ... just to name a few! The children have shown great resilience with the changes they have managed in the last few months – end of holidays, new classes, new teachers and relief staff. Congratulations and Thanks KIDS!!!



Visitor:

Councillor Barry Green was our special visitor at **Community Kids** on 21 February. The children helped make morning tea and showed their facility and all their work. Cr Green was very interested and both he and the children enjoyed the visit.

Coordinator Update:

Coral Hart, our Coordinator since **Community Kids** opened at the end of 2009, had to take leave from this position at the end of 2010. Since this time Coral has sadly tendered her resignation. We thank her for her hard work, commitment, dedication, and enthusiasm. Coral was passionate about building this Outside School Hours Care Service for the Nanango community and was sad to say goodbye. We express our THANKS to her for the work she has done and wish her every happiness in all her future ventures.

New Coordinator:

South Burnett CTC are committed to developing **Community Kids** to provide ongoing, stable out of school hours care in Nanango and to this end are we have advertised for a new Coordinator with the closing date for applications now extended to Friday 8 April. This vacancy has been advertised through CTC Employment Services and in the South Burnett Times. If you wish to apply or have any queries about this position please phone Amanda on 4162 2566.

Project Manager:

We have employed Chris Box as the Project Manager at **Community Kids**. Chris will oversee the day to day operation of the service and be on hand for the new Coordinator induction and training over the next few months.

Thanks to Jodi:

Jodi Bleakley, our Child Care Assistant has been a wonderful support and pillar of strength maintaining continuity for **Community Kids** and the children in care during this transition time. It has been quite a challenge to find qualified relief staff to maintain the wonderful service during the last few months ... but Jodi has managed all the changes beautifully.

Thanks Jodi. ♥♥

Update Your Contact Details:

Could you please confirm **Community Kids** has your family's current contact details to ensure our records are kept up to date.

Forms, Policies, Procedures, Regulatory Requirements & Quality Assurance:

As you may already be aware, we have been reviewing forms for **Community Kids Outside School Hours Care**. This will be an ongoing process over the next several months. We are also in the process of



updating the service policies and procedures. The current state regulatory (licensing) requirements and the national accreditation system processes are being replaced by one streamlined system administered by the Queensland Department of Education & Training. The National Quality Framework (NQF) will be enforced from 1 January 2012. We will keep you updated on this.

Bus from St Pats School:

Children who require After School Care can now access **Community Kids** via a bus from St Pats school and be collected by our staff from the Nanango State Primary School. The cost is \$1 per trip.

School Holidays & Easter:

School finishes Thursday April 14

Friday 15 April is a Pupil Free Day. (Care on this day will only be offered if Community Kids has sufficient bookings.)

School Resumes - Wednesday 27 April.

Good Friday – April 22.

Easter Sunday – April 24.

Easter Monday – April 25

Anzac Day – April 25 (Public Holiday for Anzac Day is Tuesday April 26)



EASTER Vacation Care:

April 18 to 21 (inclusive) - 4 days only!

If you require vacation care please make your booking before Friday 8 April. Unfortunately we cannot offer Vacation Care if we do not have sufficient children booked into care. Vacation Care requires the employment of 4 staff per day (for up to 30 children). Let's see if we can boost numbers and PROMOTE it amongst your friends ... lots of Easter activities to have fun with!!!

A decision on this Vacation Care will be made no later than Tuesday 12 April.

Contact Details:

If you need to contact anyone regarding any issue at **Community Kids**, please do not hesitate to contact any of the following:-

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