# Moruya Preschool Newsletter

October 2015

#### Dates to remember:

<u>Dog Education Program</u> Monday 2nd November

Next meeting Monday 16th November (week 7) at 3.30pm.

Wednesday party
9th December

Full day party
Tuesday (evening)
15th December

<u>Last day of Term 4</u> Tuesday 15th December

Orientation morning for new children Thursday 17th December

#### Things to remember:

#### **Immunisation**

Please bring in your child's updated records.

# Registered Carer Receipts

Please see Lesley if you want these.

#### Contact Details

If any of your details have changed eg. phone, address, email...
Please fill in a "changes to child details" form located in the locker room.

You can "like" Preschool on Facebook. It is another way to keep up with what is going on and see a few interesting photos.
(NB Children's faces are not shown in photos on FB.)

# **PROGRAM**

Our recent activities have included a variety of experiences around:

- Cows and dairy farming
- Spring and the seasons
- Insects and spiders
- Numbers and counting
- Folder activities and school readiness skills

## **VISITORS**

Gillian Kearney (from ESC) came in at the end of last term to set up a compost bin with the Monday and Thursday groups.

We are having a visit from a State Government funded Dog Education program on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. If your child has a fear of dogs that we are unaware of please let us know. Parents/Carers are also welcome to join us on the day between 10.15 and 11.00 am.

# **MUNCH & MOVE**

Fundamental movement skills including ball skills, balancing and jumping off!

# **PARENTS**

Thanks to all those families who supported Preschool by ordering from the toy catalogues and saving EARN & LEARN stickers for us!

Does anyone have a Worm Farm that they no longer need, and would like to donate to Preschool?

# **EXCURSIONS**

#### Term 3

"Riverview" Dairy Farm. 10th & 14th September

Gundary Park. 16th & 18th September

#### Term 4

Eurobodalla Botanical Gardens. Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Broulee Primary School Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

Moruya Public School Orientation Program. David will be taking the children involved on Tuesday and Friday mornings for the next couple of weeks.

St Mary's Orientation dates are Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November. These visits are organised independently.

# **FUNDRAISING**

# A great Christmas gift idea!

We are now advertising our tea towels on Facebook and there is also a display in the foyer. They are available at Preschool for \$12.50.

Toy catalogues— it's not too late to order! However, the companies do run short of some items as we get closer to Christmas, so it's a good idea to get them in as soon as possible.

# SUMMER HOLIDAY IMPROVEMENTS

Werner has plans for the front garden (near the road). The tree stumps near the Preschool sign are to be removed. Lesley has purchased some Lomandras in tubes & we intend to buy some daisy seeds to plant in this area.

A "digging patch" at long last! This will be situated at the end of the dry creek bed in an area already used by the children for filling wheelbarrows, driving trucks etc.

The kitchen and children's toilet will also be renovated. They are both looking a bit tired after 20 years of constant use. New floor coverings will make cleaning easier and maximise heath and hygiene, especially in the toilet.

#### **NEW EQUIPMENT**

We have some new equipment (including a trolley, wheelbarrows, large trucks, garden tools for our digging patch and a fishing set) from MTA as part of the toy catalogue promotion.

We have also placed our EARN & LEARN order. The children will have a new soccer kit and two scooters to enjoy on the bike track early next year.

We have a new "refurbished" photocopier from Xerox! Thanks to Bay Removals for kindly donating one to use in the interim, this will now be passed onto Moruya Football Club.

## **PHOTOS**

There have been a few hiccups with the Preschool Photos, like catching up children who were away. They will be back as soon as Trystel receives the files and puts the packages together. Sorry!

## **COMMITTEE NEWS**

At last the safety issues around our driveway have been addressed. Council has put up signs on either side, indicating a clearway of one car space at the beginning and end of each day.

Funding applications for children with additional needs are due by the 6<sup>th</sup> November. If you are aware of anyone starting Preschool in 2016 who would benefit from some extra 1:1 time, please ask their parents/carers to contact us as soon as possible, or they might have to wait until the next funding round.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

Headlice reminder! Please remember to check your children's hair regularly and treat as directed to avoid re-infestation.

We have ordered some new timber shelves for the construction area. The blocks will be on two lower shelves, which will be safer and allow the children to see what is happening in other areas of the playroom.

# **ORIENTATION - NEW CHILDREN**

Orientation Morning for new children is on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. This will run more like an activity session than an information morning this year, as most new families have already completed documentation and have accessed our website.



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