Kindy Newsletter No 1, 2013.

Week 2, beginning Monday, 11th February, 2013.

Dear Parents

Welcome to what will become a regular occurrence - Kindy Newsletters! We plan to send these out fortnightly keeping you up to date with what is happening in our classes-what we are focusing on and any reminders or requests.

To begin, we would like to commend you and your children for the great start made. We are delighted to have met the children and look forward to the coming weeks with much enthusiasm. The first few mornings have been busy-please make yourselves known to us and we will endeavour to chat to you all at drop off/pick up time.

To those of you whose children have been a bit overwhelmed, don’t worry. The teachers are prepared to deal with these situations and the children will get over this little hurdle.

Before School
In the interest of ‘Duty of Care’, once children have entered the classroom, we would like them to remain inside please where they can choose an activity.

Fruit Time
Our shared fruit/vegetable morning tea has got off to a great start. Thank you all for sending in a lovely variety of fresh produce. Consequently the children don’t need extra snacks in their lunch box during the first 3 weeks.

Bus Procedure
If your child will be utilising the school bus service please let us know when they will be starting. To avoid confusion at the end of the day, a phone call or note is needed if your child won’t be going on the bus as usual.

Absenteeism
If your child is absent from Kindy due to illness or being tired please phone and let us know. We do have an attendance register that is filled in daily and absences have to be noted with either a written or verbal explanation.
Nursery Rhymes
We have been singing lots of nursery rhymes and basing art/craft activities on them, and will continue to do so over the coming few weeks. Nursery rhymes are great for developing and extending vocabulary along with introducing rhyme and rhythm. The actions and movements associated with them assist fine motor skills and coordination as well.

Fine Motor Skills
Play dough and scissors are great ways to develop these skills too. We will be working with play dough, rolling with fingers and pincing with fingertips as well as snipping with scissors. Any opportunity to practice these skills at home will be of great benefit.

Book Sellers
We have several companies that leave books for purchase which we put out on display daily. The Kindy receives a percentage of the sales which we use to purchase new resources for the children. The quality is usually very good with a price to match.

REMININDERS
*Please make sure your child has a hat and water bottle with them at every Kindy session. We encourage the children to manage their own shoes so be mindful when they get dressed for school. We are happy for the children to take off their shoes whilst at Kindy, though we will always send them home with them on.
*Please return student information/health sheets to the class teacher.

We look forward to seeing you all over the coming weeks. Your child’s care and welfare is your prime concern as it is ours. If you have any queries or comments our door is always open.…

Kind regards

Wendy, Sara, Sue & Sharon

From the quote garden…..

What is a home without children? Quiet.
~Henny Youngman