Week 4, Term 1, 2015

Director: Amy Hunt
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From the Director:
Thank you to the families who supported our Twilight Kindy last Thursday evening, it provided a great opportunity for families to chat with each other and to staff. Families were also able to get an insight into some of the learning experiences children are involved in while at kindy.

I would like to urge all families to consider being involved in our Governing Council, kindergarten cannot operate without one. Being a member is a great way to be involved in your child’s learning journey and get an understanding of the regulations and operation of the kindergarten.

Lunch Boxes:
It is great to see parents supporting our healthy eating policy, thank you. Staff are noticing the great lunch box choices. If you pack yogurt for your child can you please support staff by talking to your child about it being a lunchtime snack, not for fruit time. Fruit usually occurs outside on mats or sitting on benches which often causes difficulties when trying to juggle tubs of yogurts and spoon. Just a reminder that children need at least one piece of fresh fruit or vegetable for fruit time and water only in drink bottles.

Library Borrowing:
Library borrowing from kindy started last week. If you would like your child to borrow books from kindy please provide a material library bag. We ask that library bags are placed in the wooden box near main door in the morning then throughout the day staff will loan out books. Books can be borrowed for up to 1 week then they can be returned by leaving them in the library bag and placing it back in the wooden box.

Proof of Age:
We are still waiting for a number of birth certificates for proof of age, it is a DECD requirement that proof of ages are obtained on enrolment. If you received a note in your pocket asking for one can you please follow this up ASAP.

Warm Weather:
We have been experiencing some hot weather recently and some children have thoroughly enjoyed playing in the sprinkler and other water activities. These experiences have provided great learning opportunities for the children such as developing relationships, building children’s confidence when interacting with others, turn taking, oral language skills, and problem solving skills. If the weather forecast is high 30’s or above parents are invited to pack sun tops and bathers as an option.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday February 23rd
Pupil Free Day – No Kindy
All DECD sites across the Berri Barmera Partnerships will be attending training.

Tuesday March 3rd 7pm
AGM – All welcome, come along and get involved in your children’s learning journey by joining our Governing Council

Monday March 9th
Public Holiday – No kindy

Week starting March 16th
Book Fair – More information to follow in coming weeks.

A reminder about kindy fees they are due by the 20th February. Please see Amy if you are having difficulties paying kindy fees or you would like to pay via Centrepay.