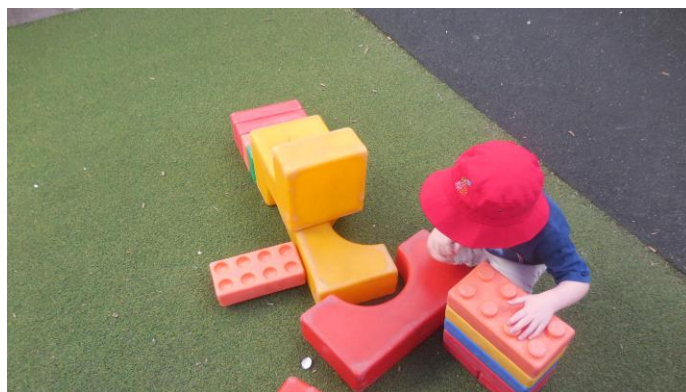


Nanna's CCC Newsletter April/May 2018

DEAR FAMILIES

Welcome to our newsletter for the months of April/May. We have had many exciting things happen in our centre's and many to come. Baby house is about to be renovated, with new flooring and painted throughout. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience during renovations. We now have a chef on board working with both centre's for menu changes and yummy food. If you have any favourite family recipes, please let us know so we may incorporate into our menus. WELCOME CHEF STEVE!! Welcome to our new families 😊.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Henny Penny eggs delivered 30/4/18
- Earth Day 22/4/18
- Anzac Day 25/4/18
- International family day 15/5/18
- Mother's Day 13/5/18
- National Reconciliation week 27/5-3/6
- Parent Info Night Kindy House -6.45pm Kindy House- an update on all changes for families 😊

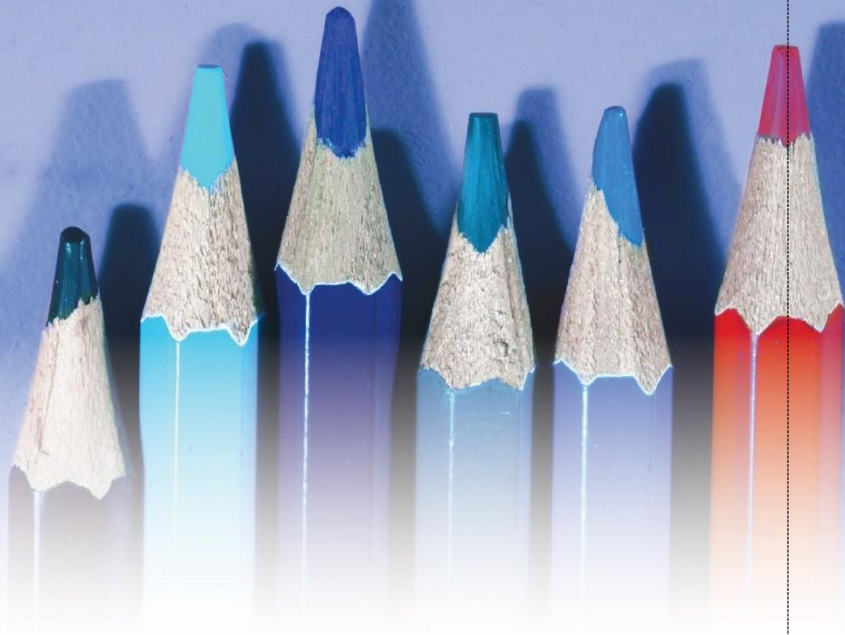
Environmental Tips:

If you have broken glass or ceramics like ovenproof dishes, drinking glasses or mugs, creatively reuse or place in your tonne of normal glass rubbish bin, because just 15g of ovenproof glass can contaminate one, making it useless for recycling.

[Reduce food waste](#) by making a meal plan and shopping list and buying to the list. It's better to buy more later if you need it, than to waste what you have too much of. Make other meals with your leftovers, and [recycle your food scraps](#) with a compost heap, worm farm or bokashi bucket.

PLAY GIVES
CHILDREN
A CHANCE
TO PRACTICE WHAT
THEY ARE
LEARNING.
-MR. ROGERS

KINDY HOUSE GARDEN: We are very lucky that we now are growing our own vegetables and herbs. We also have a worm farm in our garden and 2 compost bins. The children are so interested in how it all links together. All our food scraps go into our compost bins and when it's ready we get some new beautiful soil for our garden beds. Our worms are also eating some of our food scraps and giving us great fertilizer for our garden too. We are hoping to be able to share some produce with our families. The produce garden is situated in the "fairy garden". Please look with your child when you have time and let them fill you in on how it all works 😊



In Kindy Time (Project) we have been exploring many interesting topics based on children's including: learning about different cultures, natural disasters, creatures underwater and dinosaurs. Children have been enjoying engaging in hands on activities with lots of opportunity for individuality to shine.

Other activities in which the children have engaged in include cooking for morning tea and lunch, dyeing eggs to celebrate Greek Easter, making tornados and rain in jars, and trying out plenty of new foods such as Japanese seaweed, Greek cheese, pickled vegetables and fruit.

Some children were able to participate in an Art Show Exhibit where they created a collage using natural materials found in our Kindy Fairy Garden and in our local area. Using their imaginations, children have realized they can make various pictures with recycled and natural materials. They also learnt it is important to take care of our environment!



Children have also engaging in lot of tracing, so they are able to recognize letters of the alphabet and their own names.

This has been conducted using various materials and methods. Some of the favourites are tracing with q tips and paint. Children have also enjoyed writing letters in shaving cream and rice, a great sensory experience.

REMINDERS:

- **All fees are to be paid by Friday of each week. Please ensure you pay your fees weekly to avoid cancellation of care.**
- **Please sign your child in each session in morning and in afternoon- this is important for regulation purposes.**
- **Friendly reminder it is 2 weeks' notice for holidays.**
- **Both centres are always needing spare clothes for mishaps if you have any please donate we would really appreciate it.**
- **Family surveys are a great opportunity for you to have an input into your child's learning please take the time to fill out and return each term.**

KINDY HOUSE would love all your recyclables for our play activities- box construction and home corner shop play. Thanks.



RECIPE:

PANCAKES— YUMMY THIS RECIPE IS FOR 5 SERVES

1 CUP SR FLOUR

1 EGG

1/4 TSPN BICARB SODA

1 TBSP. SUGAR

1 PINCH SALT

1 CUP FULL CREAM MILK

1 TSP WHITE VINEGAR

METHOD:

1. **PLACE FLOUR, BICARB, SUGAR, SALT AND EGG IN LARGE BOWL**
2. **MIX MILK AND VINEGAR TOGETHER AND ADD TO BOWL**
3. **WHISK OR MIX WITH ELECTRIC BEATERS UNTIL WELL COMBINED AND MIXTURE THICKENS, STAND FOR 5 MINUTES.**
4. **COOK IN NON-STICK FRYPAN ON MODERATE HEAT UNTIL HOLES APPEAR ON TOP OF PANCAKE. FLIP AND BROWN ON OTHER SIDE.**
5. **SERVE WITH WHATEVER YOU DESIRE AND ENJOY 😊**

Hello from the Baby House

It has been a very exciting couple of months. We continue to welcome new families and work in partnership with existing families.

We have had some changes at the Baby House with flooring and painting renovations. Thank you to our families for your patience as we work through this time. We look forward in the coming months to create warm and inviting spaces for the children to learn and grow.

We have really enjoyed exploring different sustainability options at the centre with the children eager to help and work together on different projects. Our compost bin is up and running and is a favourite, with the children keen to see how it is going and to empty food scraps. Thank you to our families for your input and ideas regarding sustainability, keep them coming.

We have enjoyed outdoor nature play with sand, water painting, nature sensory boxes, watering the garden and picking apples from the apple tree. It's great for the children to explore their outdoor environment engaging together and learning through play.

Both the younger and older children love engaging in craft time. The younger children just love being involved, and we adapt the craft to suit each individual child. It's a fun way to explore our creative and curious side.

The children enjoy the opportunity to participate in preparing, mixing and cooking food one of our recent experiences was grating carrot and mixing corn together.

We have enjoyed a visit from the library with stories and puzzles. We enjoy community involvement and there was lots of giggle while listening to the stories.

We look forward to a visit from Lift the Lip where the children will learn about teeth and taking care of them. Wilbur's Wildlife centre will visit us on May the 9th 2018. All are welcome to come along. The children will be able to look and learn about different native animals and maybe able to touch some of them if they wish.

Please remember you are welcome to look through your children's observation folders and you will receive your child's progress report each term. We hand out children's surveys and welcome family involvement by filling these out as we incorporate responses into the program, enriching your child's learning experiences at the centre.

Thank you for your ongoing support

Baby House Educators



Learning to grate
and mix food



Making patterns with
paint, shaving cream and
cars



Library visit

Visits to our centre

April

18/4/18

Lift the lip

May

9/5/18 Wilber's Wildlife

Celebrating April

22/4/18 Earth Day

23/4/18 World Book Day- Dress up

May

13/5/18 Mother's Day

27/5/18 National Reconciliation Day