

Family, Team Work, Quality, Life long Learning, Fun!!!

Week : 10
Date : 1/04/2015

HARMONY DAY/ALLTOGETHER DAY

Thankyou to all the children and families who dressed in orange, for our Harmony week. We certainly enjoyed having our families come and share their culture with us. The meals that were made were yummy and the recipes can be found throughout the centre, I have tried the recipes at home and they are quite easy.

Thankyou Arni, Miho and Sam for sharing your recipes with Jenny and cooking with the children. The children have quite delight when they see you in the centre. The origami was a hit too Miho, yesterday a child said they were doing origami (very clever). We also thank Dashi for the pancake recipe that Pauline cooked for the children's afternoon tea. We talked about lots of different cultures throughout the week. We reminded children we are all different in some way (height, colour of a skin, colour of our eyes, how we celebrate events) but we are all the same inside.

Last week we held a stall at the Masters' Street party. We had a free activity for children, while promoting our site. It was lovely to see some old faces as well as our regular children. We hope to do something similar at the Gourmet weekend market at Ennis Park. If you would like to join us please see Amanda or Jo.

I am really impressed with the amount of rocks that were returned with a significant word to your family written on it.

Below are all the words collated –the bigger the word the more often it was written. We will use this information when thinking about our own philosophy.



DIARY DATES :

APRIL

Friday 3rd – Good Friday – **PUBLIC HOLIDAY (centre closed)**

Monday 6th – Easter Monday - **PUBLIC HOLIDAY (centre closed)**

Wednesday 8th -**Bloke's Night** 6.00pm

Friday 10th – Last day of kindy term (early dismissal 2.00pm)

Monday 27th – Term 2 school term begins

Monday 27th Management 7.30pm in Annex

MAY

Friday 22nd – **Walk to school Day**

LAST DAY OF TERM

Term 1 finishes on Friday the 10th April. We will have an early dismissal for kindy children this day to coincide with other schools and buses.

The kindy day will finish at 2.00pm on Friday 10th April. Buses will run one hour earlier than normal.

FUNDRAISING and PROMOTIONS:

At our last Management meeting, the fundraising events were approved for the year.

TERM 2

- Plates/mugs/calendars (children's drawings)
- Bunnings BBQ (*we will be looking for helpers to cook and serve at Munno Para on May 31st*)

TERM 3

- Facebook Auction
- Wheelathon

TERM 4 –

- Market (proposed date 31st October)
- Living products.

Management hope that by having the fundraising plan available to families, it will enable you to make a more informed decision about how you would like to support the centre. We do not expect you to tap into everything.

Blokes at the Centre

The Clare Valley Children's Centre is holding a Men's information night. Come along for a tour, tea and general catch up on what's happening at the centre. We would also like to talk about what we can do together to get the best outcomes for your kids.

When: April 8th at 6.00pm

Where: Clare Valley Childrens Centre

Crèche and tea provided

RSVP for crèche to Jo Kelley - 0888422483



BOOK CLUB NEWS!!

LOOP is the new Scholastic Book Clubs Linked Online Ordering and Payment platform for parents. It allows you to place your Book Club orders and payments online. All LOOP orders go directly to the Centre and are distributed with the other books. It means that you do not need to fill out forms or receipt numbers – you don't need to return anything to the Centre. All payments go directly to Scholastic and we still collect our Scholastic Rewards.

It is quick and easy to set up. You set up your profile with your email address and a password and add your child to your profile. When you search for the school your child belongs to you need to look for Clare Valley Children's Centre.

When ordering click on 'new order' and follow the prompts. Make sure that you have the current Book Club issue by checking the number in the top left hand corner of the Book Club pamphlet. Add the book number and away you go!

The LOOP option is available as an App on smartphones and android devices, and also online at the Scholastic website.

I used LOOP to place my last Book Club order and found it quick and easy to use.

Happy Reading

Lauren Nitschke, Book Club Organiser

THANKYOU LAUREN FOR ALL YOUR ORGANISATION TOWARDS OUR CHILDREN HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE QUALITY BOOKS



Natalie and her Mum, Miho teaching the kindy children how to count to 5 in Japanese.

NUMERACY

The kindy children have been doing lots of subitizing in the room. This is where children can recognise numbers at a glance without counting.

Playing board games with your children is a great strategy to help them gain this skill and understanding,

Singing counting songs that break up the numbers is also another simple thing you could be doing at home (this helps children learn to count on and not always start at the beginning when adding numbers.

Eg 12345 once I got a fish alive
678910 then I let him go again

25 COOL things to do in! AUTUMN!



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Go on a spiderweb hunt 2 Count how many raindrops you can catch on your tongue 3 Make a pile of leaves big enough to hide in 4 Use bark, leaves and sticks to make a fleet of mini boats and set sail in a creek 5 Plant daffodil bulbs in a pot or in the garden 6 Create an above-ground 'cave' of branches, bark and leaves 7 Go on a crunchy leaf walk 8 Find a secret place in the garden and build a nest for Easter Bunny 9 Grab a spade and go on a worm hunt (dig carefully!) 10 Build a campfire (make sure you tell a grownup first!) 11 Collect different Autumn leaves and seed pods and make a collage 12 Visit the Mount Lofty Botanic Gardens 13 Plant autumn vegetables in your garden www.yummygardensmelbourne.com/autumn-vegetable-garden.html 14 Go for a hike 15 Canoe the Coorong 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 16 Get crayons and paper and make a leaf rubbing artwork 17 Visit our 'Park of the Month' 18 Play soccer in the park 19 Draw up a hopscotch game on the driveway and play with your friends 20 Pack a picnic and head out to the backyard or beyond 21 Construct a magical leafy fairy house in the garden 22 See how many mini-beasts (bugs and critters) you can find in one expedition 23 Dig a hole and see what treasures you can find 24 Make a skeleton out of sticks and pebbles (make sure you include fingers, toes, ribs and teeth) 25 Start a rock collection
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Remember to play safe and let a grown-up know where you're planning to go. Don't forget your sunscreen, hat and water bottle.

Thanks for Reading

Have a Safe and Happy Easter
Amanda