



Paradise Kindergarten

**Term 4 Newsletter**  
**PARADISE**  
**KINDERGARTEN**

**Thinking hat**



**Brave hat**

**Kind hat**

**Which hat do I need to wear today?**  
**BRAVE hat, THINKING hat or KIND hat**

This term we have been exploring when we need to wear our Brave hat, our Thinking hat or our Kind hat or all three. This allows children and staff to explicitly name and talk about their feelings. It supports transitions to new spaces and builds on maintaining friendships and developing new ones. We will be nudging our thinking by using experiments and shared critical thinking discussions in small groups and during play.

Our Kookaburra children are all looking forward to our visit to the Fire Station with our Koala group already having had their visit. All our children have been talking about their school transition visits and we will liaise with our local schools via meetings and support if required.

We are all getting excited about our end of year Christmas Concert and hope that everyone has saved those dates in their Diary. We also represent Paradise Kindergarten by walking in the Campbelltown Christmas Parade on the 8th of Dec. This is a fantastic community event and we hope it is supported by families/caregivers. We will also have our Tea towels and calico bags for sale soon. This makes a perfect X'mas gift or a memory of your child's time at Kindergarten.

**Diary Dates**

**Pupil Free Day 25th November**

**Monday**

**4<sup>th</sup> November Koala Fire Station visit**

**13<sup>th</sup> November Kookaburra Fire station visit**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Dec Koala Xmas Concert**

**5<sup>th</sup> Dec Kookaburras Xmas concert**

**8<sup>th</sup> Dec Sunday 5:15-6:00 pm**

**Campbell town Christmas Parade**

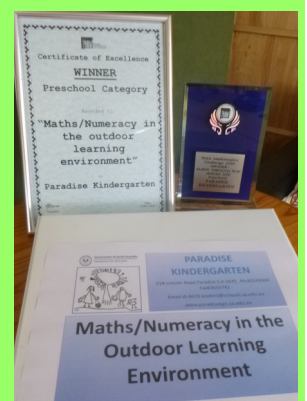
**10TH Dec last day of Kindergarten KOALAS**

**12th Dec last day of Kindergarten KOOKABURRAS**

**NO FRIDAY SESSIONS ON 6TH DEC AND 13TH DEC**

**Special Point Of Interest**

- **WINNER !!!! WINNER !!!!**  
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- We are proud to announce that we are A State Award Winner for The Primary Mathematics Association Numeracy Challenge Preschool sector. "Numeracy/Mathematics in the Outdoor Learning Area."



## Intended Plan for Term 4 2019

### Which hat do I need to wear today? BRAVE hat, THINKING hat or KIND hat

To support children to understand their feelings and know what to do about them, we will use the analogy of HATS this term.

Using a visual reminder can be helpful when deciding when and where we need to THINK, BE BRAVE OR BE KIND.

Some of the areas we hope to cover that incorporate this awareness are;

**Exploring feelings: kindness, empathy, consideration, feeling insecure or worried,**

- Using the CPC (Child Protection Curriculum) to learn about what to do when we feel unsure or not brave. Who do we go to for help
- Meditation and Yoga
- What are the consequences of our choices on ourselves and others?

**Valuing differences and similarities: challenge gender bias in play and promote inclusion and fairness**

- Lots of social scenario/imaginary play, use of puppets and role play to explore, imagine, suggest and create
- Stimulate conversation and play with additional resources e.g. block figures with disabilities
- Invitation to parents/families to come in to explain, demonstrate, share their job (especially non gender typical)

**Science and the Environment:** Science experiments (floating and sinking, colour mixing etc.). Focus on critical thinking

- Enviro week (21-25<sup>th</sup> October). National Recycling Week (11-15<sup>th</sup> November). Focus on being kind to the environment and the planet
- Sun Safety: what do we need to think about when we go outside?

**Excursions:** Being a confident member of our local community. Visit to the Paradise Fire Station (Koala's 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. Kookaburras 13<sup>th</sup> Nov). Campbelltown Christmas Pageant 8<sup>th</sup> December.

**Maths and Numeracy:** Quantifying our world - Number Sense. Digits , numerals and "How many?"

**Festivals and Celebrations:** Diwali (27<sup>th</sup> October), Christmas (25<sup>th</sup> Dec). Focus on community and giving

**School and Transition:** Dealing with change, being optimistic about the future, feeling confident, the "What if's" and what to do about them.