



Paradise Kindergarten

Term 1 Newsletter PARADISE KINDERGARTEN

Lost Property

Please do check the lost property box and collect your child's belongings. It is situated under the T.V near your communication pockets



I am ...You are....We are.....
all part of our community

This term we are exploring a sense of Identity and wellbeing in our community as well as learning about our selves and the members of our family . We will be going on local walks around the neighbourhood , planning for our new outdoor space and hope to engage in a lot of cooking experiences with parents/ families coming in and sharing their favourite recipes as well as cooking with the children.

In March we will access the imagination playground foam blocks from the Campbelltown Council, which supports children to build and imagine different creations . With these 'loose parts', dramatic play opportunities are supported and extended. Our dramatic play area at Kindergarten has developed from a home corner to a pizza shop as well as an outdoor ice cream shop.

We are still currently looking for chickens and hope to have them here by the first of March.

We would like to thank all the families who have filled out their family input sheets . Our curriculum is so much richer when we develop partnerships with parents/ caregivers. The children will be engaging with book making experiences and we will be focussing on measurement this term . This will be unpacked through cooking experiences and using measurement tools . Look out for the measurement challenge coming your way. If you have been invited to our Closed Facebook group you are able to invite partners and grandparents and then the Kindergarten administrator will approve them.

Diary Dates

3rd March Tuesday

**Parent session Numeracy/
Mathematics**

**10th March Tuesday Twilight
Kindergarten Koalas**

**12th March Thursday Twilight
kindergarten Kookaburras**

**26th March Thurs
Literacy/ language develop-
ment session**

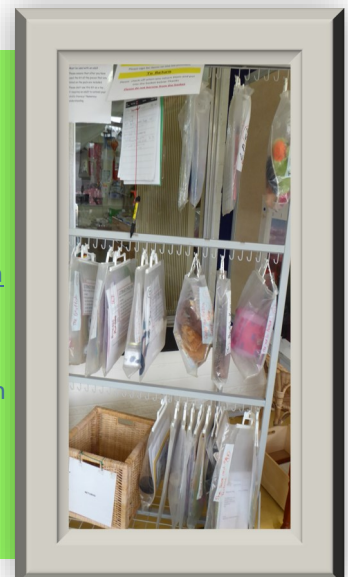
9th April Thurs Pupil Free Day

**7th April Tuesday last day of
term 1 Koalas**

**8th April Wednesday last day
of term 1 Kookaburras**

LITERACY / NUMERACY KITS

We have Numeracy and literacy kits for families to borrow. These kits have been developed to engage in a range of literacy and Numeracy experiences. The props provided are used to support this thinking and learning. **We encourage parents/caregivers to use these kits with the children and not use the props as toys.** Please do sign the kits out with the name of the Kit, the number. Please initial the sheet when you return them on the sign out sheet provided. Please check that all the props are in the bag before returning them to the basket labeled 'Returns.' **DO NOT REHANG THEM WHEN YOU RETURN**



Intended Plan for Term 1 2020

We want to learn more about ourselves and our community. This is just **some** of what we plan for this term although with young children, there will be many other spontaneous learning opportunities to discover and explore.

Maps

Where in the world do we and our family originate? Explore different maps and representing/playing with where we now live or our families lived.

Our Local Community

Visiting parks, the O-Bahn redevelopment where we have been asked to contribute art work, learning about Community Workers e.g. the firefighters, rubbish removal etc.

Cultures in our community

Exploring family backgrounds, cultures, languages, values and traditions e.g. Lunar New Year, Harmony Day
Sharing foods from other cultures; parents to come in to cook

Imagination Playground blocks

from the Campbelltown Council arriving in March.
Open ended, soft blocks for construction and imaginative play

Sensory play

We all learn differently but we all benefit from exploring sensory materials e.g. goop, water, seeds for pouring, clay and dough

Indigenous Culture/s in our

Community

Learning about the first inhabitants of this land; language/s and culture

I am... You are... We are

The plants and animals in our local and wider community

Borrow creatures from the Nature Education Centre

Investigate and plant flora indigenous to this area

Feeling safe and secure in the routines of our Kindergarten Community

- Hand washing/toileting
- Where to put our personal things
- The timetable; what happens when?

Our Kindergarten Community's Outdoor Learning Space

Children taking part in the design and planning of the proposed changes to the outdoor space.
Use clip boards for drawing and writing, construction equipment, modelling and mapping.