

## A C E Early Learning Centre

### News Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a very busy few months at ACE Early Learning, before we know it we are half way through the year and the cold weather has definitely set in! We have a lot of great activities going on at the moment in all three rooms with the baby's topic being transport, toddler's topic being weather and the kindy's topic being under the ocean. If you have any ideas for activities or topics from your children's interests at home please share these with the educators as our programs are based on the children's interests so it really helps us. Some exciting news to announce is that we are getting some chickens and crazy crabs soon as more pets for the day care and for the children to look after and care for.

Thank you,  
ACE Management

#### Pat Thomas Appreciation Morning Tea

On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May we are hosting a morning tea for the Pat Thomas House advocates to receive the money we have raised for them. The children will be doing some cooking activities to make some biscuits or a cake for the morning tea and they will be making some cards and pictures. From our Family Fun Day we raised \$200 and from our Easter Raffle we raised \$100 for Pat Thomas House. This is such an amazingly large contribution. Well Done!

#### Quality Improvement Plan

We are continuing to implement our improvements across the service to develop our quality improvement plan.

- Developing our physical environment by creating a larger animal enclosure which the children can interact with the animals more.
- We have 4 resident animals at the moment and are soon to get chickens and crazy crabs, this encourages the children to care for the health and wellbeing of animals.
- Practiced our lock down procedure and fire drill so the staff and children are familiar with what is happening in precaution for if we do have one.
- The kindy children hosted a Mother's Day afternoon tea which promotes parent involvement in the centre.
- Mel was a part of Celebrating National Families Week at Greenfields Family Centre and provided an activity for the children of the community and promoted our centre to the community.

We love families to get involved with our centre so please, if you would like to offer a hand to help let us know!

#### Change of Weather

Due to the recent change in weather and being colder and rainy we ask that you please pack a jumper or jacket in your child's bag just in case they may need it. For the rainy days we ask if you could please pack gum boots if you have them for your child plus a rain coat.

### **National Reconciliation Week**

This week 27<sup>th</sup> May - 3<sup>rd</sup> June is National Reconciliation Week. National Reconciliation Week is an annual celebration and is a time for all Australians to reflect on our shared histories, and on the contributions and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. The whole centre will be participating in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture activities such as;

- performances or stories by local Aboriginal artists.
- Indigenous book readings.
- Displaying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags and banners.
- Doing Aboriginal artwork e.g. dot paintings.
- Dream time story-telling and dancing.
- Making Aboriginal traditional food e.g. damper.

### **Day Care Uniform**

In collaboration with Work Klobba we are continuing to raise money for our community garden and Pat Thomas House. If you would like to purchase a short or long sleeve t-shirt with the day cares logo on it is \$20 for 1 or 2 for \$35. If you would like to purchase a jumper with the day cares logo on it is \$22. For a jumper and a t-shirt it is \$38. Please ask the staff for the order form in which you provide the size of the t-shirt or jumper you would like, the colour and the quantity.

### **Winter Menu Coming Soon!**

Due to the colder weather, we will be changing our menu to some winter warmer meals commencing 5<sup>th</sup> June. This includes meals like pumpkin soup, curried sausages, mini pizza's, shepherd's pie, beef casserole and bangers and mash. Feel free to have a look at these menu's displayed throughout the centre. Let Naomi know if you have any suggestions or recommendations for food you would like to see on the menu's.



### **Commencement of Ezi Debit**

For the parents/carers that have returned the Ezi debit form filled out we will be starting to commence this payment method on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Please remember the Ezi debit deducts billing at the end of billing week plus one week in advance. If Ezi debit is unable to debit the money out of your account there is a failed payment fee of \$11.90 which you will be responsible for paying.

### **Birthdays for May/ June**

Joseph, Norah, Logan, Damien, Oliver, April, Mayanah, Blessing, Rhyley, Mason and Hannah.

