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**SPECIAL VISITORS WEEK**

This term our Special Visitors Week will be held in week 3 (16th-19th May). All grandparents, aunts, uncles and special friends are welcome to visit our centre and stay and play. You are welcome any day or time but please avoid our lunch times 11:45am – 12:45pm. Special Visitors please sign in at reception upon arrival. Thank you and we look forward to meeting you.

**GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING**

Our next Governing Council meeting will be held on Monday 9th May at 7:30pm. All are welcome to attend.

**LITERACY KITS**

We are looking for a couple of volunteers to help sort and restock our literacy kits as they get returned.

If you can spare some time (one off or on a regular basis) we would love to have your help. Please see Jo at reception if you can assist, thank you.

**How to borrow a literacy Kit**

We have numerous Literacy Kits available for you to borrow and share with your child. They are situated in our reception area.

When borrowing and returning a literacy kit please follow the procedure below:

- **Borrowing** – Please write your child’s name, the kit number and title and the date borrowed in the recording book.
- **Returning** – Write the date returned in the recording book and then put the kit in the box on top of the shelf, NOT on the hanger, as they need to be checked and filled.

More information on the benefits and purpose of using Literacy Kits is available if required.

Please see one of our staff if you have any questions, thank you.

**FEES**

Fee invoices for term 2 are now in your child’s pocket. These are due by the end of week 4 (27th May). Please see Heather if you have any questions or concerns regarding payment of your child’s fees.

**POLICY CHANGE**

Our Late Collection of Children policy has undergone a review and we are asking for feedback before approving the final policy. Due to OSHC no longer being able to accommodate extra children, we need to introduce a late fee for children who are not collected on time to help cover staffing costs. The charge coming into effect will be $5:00 per 5 minute interval after 3:45 or part thereof.

The updated version of the policy is attached to this newsletter and we are giving families four weeks to provide any feedback they feel is required. Please return the policy with feedback comments to the green box at reception, thank you – your input is appreciated.

**CAYHS HEALTH CHECKS**

CAYH will be here on Thursday, 30th June to conduct 4 year health checks. If your child hasn’t had their check yet, and you would like to make an appointment, please see Jo at reception.

Please note: further dates will be offered later in the year.

**PORTFOLIOS AND ILPS**

ILPs are now due to be returned. Please return either to the front office or hand to an educator. Thank you.

Have you recently looked at your child’s portfolio folder? They are located in the room to the left as you enter kindy and are a snapshot of your child’s learning and development. They are there for you to look at any time.

**COOKING HELPERS REQUIRED**

We are looking for some volunteers to assist with or run cooking sessions with the kindy children. If you have a particular recipe you would like to share, or would like to assist a group with cooking, please see Jo at reception to leave your details. We look forward to families being involved in our program.

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From John:

Hello all,
Join the queue to visit Tasmania – I did and it was great, MONA, the beaches, the cool climate whites and the cities of Hobart and Launceston, all well recommended. But now after four weeks break behind me...

Nude Food Survey
I returned to an email with the details of the 10 respondents to the nude food survey. Thanks to those who responded. Two families will be drawn at Monday’s Governing Council meeting to receive the nude food packs.

Term II Program
Families Week Celebration at the Ardtornish Playgroup, Friday 20th May. If you have not already visited the Playgroup, here’s an offer - surprise activities, a free BBQ snack and the regular play opportunities. Children 12 months to five years welcome.

Our free eight week Circle of Security Program starts next Wednesday evening from 6-7:30pm and there are still a few vacancies. We will run a crèche and provide the children with a meal. We have a full Mindfulness program with a five week course, a three week intro course specifically for men and the regular first Tuesday in the month support group.

Twilight play in mid-June will feature A Walk in the Dark – a trail about the school with things to find; torch and warm clothes essential. Baby Playgroup, Mum’s and Bub’s Yoga, and Making Music will all continue. Assembly day coffee mornings and a First Aid Course for families on Saturday 2 July are a few of the events and activities.

Uniting Care Wesley Bowden can provide one to one counselling support for families with children from birth to 18 years, CaFHS will provide four year olds’ health checks, and Growing Up Smiling Dental outreach service will be here from week three.

Like us on Facebook for up-to-date information and attached to email is a copy of the program. The noticeboards and displays will provide further guides. Contact Jo or John if you are interested in any of these events.

Keep your kids smiling

SA Dental Service

Have you received a letter from Medicare about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule? The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, pre-schoolers and most children under 18 at the School Dental Service.

Please call now for an appointment.
Modbury GP Plus Dental Clinic
Phone: 7425 8700