



What's Happening at Preschool....

Friday 22nd July 2016

Welcome back to Preschool. I hope that everyone enjoyed the holiday break and managed to stay warm! This term we have lots of exciting activities planned for the children as well as our Preschool families and local community.

2016 marks 55 years of St Ives Preschool Kindergarten. During this time we acknowledge and thank all of the families over the past 55 years who have volunteered their time and have been actively involved in their child's Early Education. We also acknowledge and thank Ku-ring-gai Council for the fantastic support we have had over all these years, from the early days of helping the local community find our beautiful location, the continued maintenance of our buildings and the ongoing financial subsidy we receive with our rent. We also acknowledge and thank the NSW Government for the financial support we receive and their commitment to funding Preschool for 4 year olds.

We will be celebrating the Preschool's 55th birthday at our Family Fun Day on August 14th. The Social committee are very busy preparing for what is always a wonderful day. We have some fantastic businesses who are Sponsoring the event, as well as many other local businesses who have donated prizes and Silent Auction Items.

Thank you to the families who have already brought in their lolly bags, lucky dip prizes and hamper donations. We need lots more so please leave them in the boxes provided.

Thank you also to our families who are preparing some yummy dishes for our International Food Stall. Your support is much appreciated!

Long Service Leave

Helen is currently on Long Service Leave until Tuesday 2nd August. If you have provided your credit card details for payment for fees, payment will not be processed until after she returns.

Fees are due by Friday 5th August. Please see Julie if you have questions regarding payment of fees.

Re-enrolment for 2016

Everyone will be receiving a letter asking whether your child will be returning in 2017. A deposit is required to be paid to secure your child's position. This deposit is credited towards Term 1 fees for 2017. Please see Julie if you would like to discuss your child's re-enrolment.

Social Committee News

2016 FUN FAIR
SUNDAY, 14TH AUGUST
10AM TO 2PM
29 Garrick Road, St Ives
Parking on Douglas Street

International Food
Pirate Treasure Hunt
BBQ
Pony Rides
Jumping Castles
Face Painting Entertainment
Lucky Dip
Kindifarm
Cakes

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The countdown is on for the Family Fun Day on **Sunday 14th August** which is the biggest fundraiser for the Preschool. With only 2 weeks to go, we still need everybody to help put this together to make it a fantastic day.

A few things you should know to make it a success....

Thank you to those of you who have already contributed to the classroom **hampers**. If you haven't yet donated something, there is still a bit of time and we would love to accept anything no matter how big or how small it is. The allocation for hampers are **2DW** - Men's hamper, **2DK** - Gourmet hamper, **3DW** - Kitchen hamper, **3DK** - Ladies hamper. There should be boxes in your classrooms to put these items into.

We are still collecting **lollies and boy and girl lucky dip prizes** as well as **toys and books** for the second-hand store so these can also be dropped off at the Preschool in the boxes near the Wombat room if you haven't already done so.

Hopefully you have seen that the **Stall Rosters** are up on the Noticeboard so it would be great if every family could put their name down for at least one hour on the day to help manage these stalls. There is an opportunity for everybody to be involved here, so please have a look for any available time slots.

Cake boxes for the **Cup Cake Stall** will be sent home in the week before the fair. Again, if every family could contribute some kind of delicious treat that would be wonderful. Ideas inspired by our Stall at the Village Green earlier this year include: cupcakes, slices, biscuits, fudge, brownies, muffins, chocolate crackles, marshmallows, buns, croissants, gingerbread men and rocky road. The items don't have to be baked goods - they just cannot require refrigeration or be store bought and we would prefer no whole cakes so let your imagination go wild!!

Next week we will also send home a small bundle of **flyers** for you to distribute within your local area to help spread the word. You can also **tell your friends** about the Fair and get them to come along too!

Finally, in the lead up to the Fair, we will be giving away **weekly prizes** donated by one of our Fair sponsors, My Food Bag. Every family's name will be entered and there will be three lucky winners each week with each winner receiving a My Food Bag voucher for a variety of meals delivered direct to your door. Please see below for more information and even if you don't win something, My Food Bag are offering a special promotion where you can get \$45 off your first delivery so good luck!! Ali

My Food Bag is solving the "What's for dinner?" dilemma for busy families. Enjoy the convenience and ease of nutritionally balanced recipes and the freshest seasonal produce delivered direct to your door each week. The planning and shopping is done for you – all you need to worry about is creating the delicious and easy dinner recipes for you and the family to enjoy! With six Food Bags to choose from, My Food Bag cater to everyone's palates, from Gourmet Foodies to even the fussiest little eaters – with meals starting from \$6 per plate.

Exclusive St Ives Preschool Kindergarten offer! Enjoy \$45 off your first My Food Bag delivery this weekend by using the promo code **STIVESMFB**. Offer expires 31st October 2016.

Preschool Photo Days

Sandpit Photographers will be at preschool on Tuesday 1st and Friday 4th September to take the children's individual photos and group photos. A book of photos will be provided for you to choose from. A reminder will be placed next to the sign in book in each room closer to the date.



Father's/ Special Person's Breakfast

An invitation will soon be sent out inviting all of the preschool dad's or special people to a breakfast at preschool to celebrate "Father's day". These will be held on Wednesday 31st August for the 3 day groups and Friday 2nd September for the 2 day groups. The breakfast will run from 8.30am until 9.30am.



Our Eco-garden

The Preschool is very fortunate to have Jantina Howard assist us with looking after our Eco-garden. Tina is a volunteer from the Turramurra Community Garden and has a wealth of knowledge about plants and growing vegetables. Thank you Tina and we are looking forward to you returning soon to help us again.



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Upcoming Dates for the Remainder of Term 3

Term 3 dates for your diary:

Tues 26th July- 3 Day Wombats Parent teacher discussions

Fri 28th July- 2 Day Koalas Parent teacher discussions

Thurs 4th August- Fun Fair Working Bee- Help needed please!

Wed 10th August- Fun Fair Working Bee- Help needed please!

Sun 14th August- Family Fun Fair!!!

Weds 17th August- Preschool Photos for 3 Day groups

Fri 19th August- Preschool Photos for 2 Day groups

Fri 26th August- 2 Day Groups excursion to the Reptile Park

Wed 31st August- 3 Day Fathers/ Special person breakfast at 8.30am

Fri 2nd Sept- 2 Day Father's/Special person breakfast at 8.30am

Tues 13th Sept- 3 Day Groups Kaleidoscope Science incursion

Wed 21st Sept- Term end 3 Day groups

Fri 23rd Sept- Term end 2 Day groups

A Few Reminders.....

- Don't forget to check the craft clean-up roster, (available in each room), and to let staff know if you are coming back in the morning or afternoon.
- Always pack a warm jacket for your child to put on before going outside and please ensure that jackets and jumpers are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Please remember that we try and encourage the children to make healthy choices when eating so please provide healthy choices when packing your child's morning tea and lunch.

That's all for now.

Julie, Helen, Alison, Karen, Victoria, Michelle, Sue, Sonja, Liz, Fran and Soona.