



# grenfell preschool & long day care centre



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newsletter

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## Bachelor of Teaching

Congratulation goes to Ashleigh Mitton who finished her teaching degree. Ashleigh is now employed as a teacher at the centre in the Star for 3 days a week.



Congratulations to Kim and Clive Durham on becoming grandparents. A baby born on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2015, Oliver Richard.



Congratulations to Katie and Jim Ryan on the birth of their new baby girl Heidi Maree, a little sister for Charlie and Jack.



## School Information Night

Representatives from the Grenfell Public School and St Joseph's school will be at the centre on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August at 6:30pm to share information about their school. All parents who have children starting school in 2015 are encouraged to attend.

The children in the Star Room will be performing a small concert for you at 6pm before the meeting followed by a sausage sizzle. Staff will be there to care for your children during the information session.

## Little Picasso Exhibition

Art Work by Children of the Weddin shire will be once again on display from the 24<sup>th</sup> August -28<sup>th</sup> August at **the Grenfell Community Hub Main Street, Grenfell.**

Entry – gold coin donation

Please come along and be impressed by what the children of the Weddin Shire have done.

All artwork is for sale

You are also invited to the official opening of the Little Picasso Exhibition Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at 6pm in the Grenfell Community Hub.

Cost \$5 which includes drinks, appetizers and entry to any other day of the exhibition.

The children from the Star Room will be performing at the concert.

**We look forward to seeing you all there**



## School Transition

St Joseph's school transition program will run for four consecutive Wednesdays. The dates are 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> October and 4<sup>th</sup> November

Transition to the Grenfell Public School will run for 5 consecutive Tuesdays starting Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

Notes will be sent out later in the term with more details about times and what to bring which we ask to be returned promptly.

**Notes will be going home to families with children who will be starting school in 2016 with more details.**

## New Fees and Consent form for Preschool children

In accordance with the Early Childhood Education and Care Funding Agreement terms and Conditions, it is necessary for all children attending the Grenfell Preschool and the Weddin Mobile Preschool to sign this consent to use and Disclosure of Child's personal information. We are asking you to fill the form out and return it to the centre as soon as possible.

As from the first week in August Preschool fees will be reduced as a condition of our funding agreement with the NSW state government by \$2 per day for families whose:

- children who are at least 4 years old on or before the 31 July in that preschool year and not yet in compulsory schooling
- children who are at least 3 years old on or before 31 July and from a disadvantaged background (i.e. from a family holding a low income Health Care Card and/or is Aboriginal).

These children are known as equity children.

New fees for Preschool Children are:

Grenfell Preschool		
Full Day	Non-Equity children \$30	Equity Children \$ 28

Weddin Mobile Preschool Service		
Full Day	Non – Equity Children \$25	Equity Children \$23



**Toy Order due back on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

### Recipe Book

#### Recipe Book- Don't forget to send in your receipts

The Centre is compiling a recipe book with everyone's favourite recipe in it. So we are asking for families to contribute to the book by sharing your favourite recipe. Please leave them at the office or email them to: [rainbow@grenfellpreschool.com.au](mailto:rainbow@grenfellpreschool.com.au)



## Backyard Shopping Plaza

The Backyard Shopping Plaza will be on again this year due to popular demand. The date is Saturday 21st November. If you are interested in having a stall please let us know

### Off We Go – free concert by Barry Peters

1<sup>st</sup> September 9:45 am

Thanks to Alicia Hendy of HR Consulting Pty Ltd the Off We Go concert will be free for all the children.

The simple storyline is about Barry who is invited to come on a picnic with Puffin Billy. But where does Puffin Billy Live? This Hilarious musical adventure is crammed like a crowded carriage with lots of the songs that have made Barry a household name.

If your child does not attend that day you are most welcome to come in for the concert.

**Head Lice:** There have been cases of head lice at the centre so we urge you to check your child's hair before sending them to day-care. Anyone can get head lice –they have no preferences for cleanliness, hair colour, hair type, ethnicity or age. Head lice are a nuisance but they do not cause disease or illness. Itching is often the first thing that raises concern about head lice; however it is not a reliable sign of head lice.

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS

Check child's head once a week for head lice. If head lice are found, begin treatment immediately and check for effectiveness and keep checking every 2 days until no lice are found for 10 consecutive days.

### Dental Clinic

The school dental clinic will now be visiting the new dental room at the Grenfell Community Health Centre 1- 2 days per fortnight depending on demand. Please take advantage of this free service for 0-18 year olds. No referral necessary.

Appointments can be made by calling **1300552626**

Have your Medicare card with you when you call.

Eating a healthy diet, avoid drinking sugary drinks such as juice, soft drink and cordial, brushing twice a day with fluoride toothpaste and having regular dental checks are all important in maintaining good oral health.



## Dates to Remember

**School Photos**  
10<sup>th</sup> November 2015

**The Barry Peter show**  
**Off We Go – free concert**  
1st September 2015

9:45am  
**Book Fair**

Starting Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and will run for 2 weeks

### Daffodil Day 21<sup>st</sup> August

Please dress in yellow and bring in a gold coin donation

**Toy Orders due back on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

**Little Picasso Art Show**  
24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August 2015

**Centre Close date 24<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

We will be having school photos with the school this year on the 15<sup>th</sup> September. More information to follow.

Don't forget the Art Show at the Grenfell Hub, starting with a Grand Opening on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Come along and see the talent of the local children and purchase your child's artwork.

## Quandialla Venue News

The Little Picasso art show will feature art work from the Weddin Mobile Preschool so place the dates on your calendar to come and see them. 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August 2015

### Wednesday August 19<sup>th</sup>

Children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character and join in the fun with the central school for a parade. Start thinking about those costumes – More Information to follow. Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September is the last day of term 3

## Wanted

Have you got any old bike wheels? The Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Centres Rainbow room are after some?



### Contact numbers:

Grenfell Pre School and LDC: **63431743**

Mobile Service: **0488 045 584**

Weddin Mobile Preschool runs at Quandialla Mondays and Wednesdays during school terms. Caragabal runs Tuesdays and Fridays.

Session times: 9:15 am- 3:15pm

Please remember to pack a broad brimmed hat as we are a Sun safe centre

## Caragabal Venue News

If you haven't sent in a family photo for our family photo wall, could you please do so?

Each term we write a list of goals for the room, some are for us and some for the children. This week's room goals are road safety and Healthy Little Ears

**AGFARM CARAGABAL SHEEP RACES**  
**SAT 12 SEPT 2015**

Want to bring a group? Marquees and hospitality packages are available, please contact Daniel on 0404000334

- EFTPOS facilities available
- Entry \$10 adults, \$5 school age kids
- Live band 3rd Bus 3 from 6pm - 10pm
- Gates open at 11.30am at the Caragabal Country Club
- VIP Bus Package from Grenfell, must pre-book
- Call/SMS Karen 0400609188

We look forward to seeing you there!  
[www.visitcaragabal.com.au](http://www.visitcaragabal.com.au)

The Caragabal Sheep Races are a great local family event celebrating our rural heritage. Come along and enjoy:

- 6 race event with pre race sweeps & auctions
- Great prize money!
- BBQ, lamb spit and canteen
- Full bar (no BYO)
- Quick Shear Competition
- Lolly drop from a plane
- Watch the kids chase the sheep towards the finish line