



grenfell preschool & long day care centre



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Annual General Meeting

If you are interested in being part of our Committee, please come along to the AGM Monday 19th September 2016 at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome! Nominations and elections take place at the AGM.

Written nominations will be accepted prior to the AGM.

We invite all parents to come along to the AGM and to become more involved in the running of the centre.

Background

The Management Committee of the Grenfell Preschool & Long Day Care Centre is the Approved Provider of the Children's Service and is responsible for the direction of the Centre and its effectiveness and works to ensure that the Centre is conducted within all relevant legal requirements

There are 7 members

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- 3 ordinary members

If we do not have a Management Committee our centre cannot operate

Nomination forms are available at the office. Please see Lisa for the form.



School Dental Clinic

The Cowra School Dental Clinic visits the Grenfell Community Health Service every 2nd Thursday. This is free service for all children under 18 years. For appointments please call 1300 55 26 26

We had a visit from the dental clinic last Thursday and I am happy to report that they were very pleased with all the children's teeth. If your child didn't attend please phone and make an appointment for a free check-up.



The Barry Peters Show Lots of Little Sea Creatures

When: Thursday 18th August 2016

Where: Grenfell Preschool & LDC

Time: 10:30 am

Cost: \$8 per child

Young Dolice the decorator crab is tired of scuffling and hiding under the rocks with other crabs everytime a shadow passes over. Her new friends the leafy Seadragon suggest she decorates herself to hide in the weeds and so her adventure begins.

Lots of Little Sea Creatures will feature a range of great songs. If your child does not attend that day you may bring them along. Please let Lisa know.

Pre Schools are diverse places

Walk into any preschool in Australia and you'll witness diversity firsthand. You're likely to see children from many different races, cultural, and family backgrounds. You'll also see children with different needs and diverse ways of expressing themselves. Some children will wear their hearts on their sleeve, while others will be taciturn and quiet. Tolerant children are accepting of these differences. They make friends with children and young people who may look and act differently to them.

5 ways to promote tolerance in your child:

1. Help your child feel accepted, respected, and valued.

When your child feels good about themselves, they are more able to treat others respectfully.

2. Model acceptance. Children learn what they live so make sure you welcome differences in others, and be sensitive to cultural or racial stereotypes.

3. Challenge prejudice or narrow-minded views.

Sometimes children, knowingly or unknowingly, can say the cruellest things about others. As a parent respectfully remind your child or young person about the impact that a narrow view can have on his or her own behaviour as well as on those it may be directed towards. Intolerance of diversity is an



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attitude that parents should make a stand against.

4. Answer kids' questions about differences honestly and respectfully. Teach your children that it is acceptable to notice and discuss differences as long as it is done with respect.

5. Respect individual differences within your own family. Your ability to accept your children's differing abilities, interests and styles will go a long way towards establishing an attitude of tolerance in the children themselves. By valuing the uniqueness of each member of your family you are teaching your children to value the strengths in others, no matter how diverse.

Visit from St Joseph's school children

We had a visit from year 4, 5 & 6 students from St Joseph's school to read one on one with the children from the Garden and Star Room. They came with books suitable for their ages. The younger children enjoyed being read to and it is great practice for the school children to master fluency and accuracy reading out loud. The children will continue to come.

School Information Night

The school Information night was well attended and I'm sure everyone would agree that it was a very informative evening.

The children from the Star Room put on a concert for their families and were wonderful.

If you are still unsure about where to send your child next year please contact the schools directly. Mr Hooper from the Grenfell Public School and Ms Clancy from St Josephs would be only too pleased to show you their schools.

I remind all parents to enrol their child in school as soon as possible so that the schools can prepare for 2017

Thank you to Laraine, Lyn, Jenny and Emily who cooked dinner and cared for the children while the parents listened to the schools presentations.

Child Protection Information Night

There will be an information evening at the Grenfell Community Health on Wednesday 7th September from 6-8pm

The Sexual Assault Councillor, Social Worker and Child and Family Health nurse will be presenting.

Star Room News

Just a reminder to the parents of children in the Star Room that they are no longer sharing fruit at morning tea in preparation for school next year.

Please continue to send in a piece of fruit each day but it is to be left in their lunch boxes.



Dates to Remember

Barry Peters Show

18th August 2016

AGM

Monday 19th September 7pm.

Young Eyes vision screening

Tuesday 18th October from 9am

Art Show

26th – 28th October

Street Stall

November 11th

Photo Day

Tuesday 15th November

The centre will close Friday 23rd December and reopen January 10th January 2016



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Service

Quandialla runs Mondays and Wednesdays,
Caragabal runs Tuesdays and Fridays.

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

Contact numbers: Mobile Service: **0488 045 584**

Grenfell Pre School and LDC: **63431743.**

If you have any concerns please contact the Director Sharon Grant at the Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Centre on 0263431743

Tracey and Kim are always there to help in any way they can too

Dates to Remember

Caragabal

Tuesday 23rd August 2016 Life Education Van

Tuesday 13th September 2016 School Photos

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Quandialla

Monday 15th August Healthy Little Ears

Wednesday 31st August Book Week Parade

Dress as your favourite book character