



grenfell preschool & long day care centre



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Welcome

Welcome back everyone. There is only one term left until the end of the year and we have a very busy term ahead. School transition, photo day, eye screening, street stall, the art show and our end of year celebrations just to name a few. Please note the change to our routine.



Term 4 summer program

This term we start our summer program. We start off the morning with outside play and then inside after lunch when the sun and UV rays are at their hottest and highest. Weather permitting we then return outside in the afternoon for further outside play. Please remember to bring a broad brimmed hat and shirt with sleeves to comply with our Sun safe Policy.



It's Nude* Food Lunch Time!

Saturday 1/10/16 marked the first day of October which means schools around the country are kicking off their Nude* Food Day celebrations. To celebrate many schools will be having a Nude* Food Lunch which means a lunch with no packaged foods, cling wrap or foils. The Star Room would love to be a part of this movement too. If you have never packed a 'Nude* Food Lunch' before, this can seem daunting and stressful but we will be talking about it in The Star Room and we will have some posters of healthy ideas. So let's start it 13/10/16 for a week and see if we can change how much prepacked food we eat and how much rubbish we put in the environment.

School Transition

The school transition dates for the children starting school in 2017 are:

The Grenfell Public School will be Tuesday 25th October from 12pm – 3 pm for 5 weeks.

St Joseph's Primary School will be Wednesday 19th and 26th October and 2nd and 9th November.

Christmas Toy Orders

All orders from the Christmas toy catalogues are due by the **28th of October**

Picture Products

Picture product order forms have been sent home. We will need to get these completed and sent away for processing by the **21st of October** to guarantee pre-Christmas delivery. Please see Lisa for the template to complete your picture.

The Garden Room

This term the Garden room are focusing on feelings so they can be aware of different emotions; happy, scared, sad, jealous, kind, angry, lonely and loved.

Little Picasso Exhibition

Art Work by Children of the Weddin shire will be once again on display from the 24th October -28th October 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 by Denise Yates on Tuesday 25th October 2016 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 opening so please come along to hear and support them.

We look forward to seeing you all there



Young Eyes vision screening

Young Eyes will be at the centre on Tuesday 18th October to screen the 4-5 year old children's eyes. Notes have gone home and we urge you to have them done even if they have had the Steps screening as they are looking for different eye problems.

Signing in and signing out

It is important that children are sign in and signed out each day. We need to account for all the children at the centre



Committee Corner Policies up for review Snakes spiders and insects

Our new Committee and a little about each of them.

President: Zanette Wood

I have just joined the preschool committee and am looking forward to working with everyone.

I moved to Grenfell in October last year with my family and have 3 children all of which use the centre. I have worked in childcare for a short time before having my children and now enjoy being a stay at home mum.

Vice President: Paul Lutherborrow

I am the new Vice President of the Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Management Committee. I hold my Certificate 3 in Transport Management and have a few other industry certificates up my sleeve. I am also your local representative and systems operator for the Central Tablelands Water, which supplies Grenfell with their water. I have 2 boys, 12 & 11, who attend the After School and Vacation Care Programs at the centre, which they love. I look forward in working with the Committee and families to extend and implement new and exciting opportunities for the centre and the services it offers our local community.

Secretary: Wendy Little

I am the new Secretary for Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Centre. I am a mother of 2 beautiful children, 1 of which attends the centre regularly. I hold a Cert III Hospitality and Cert IV in Business Management. I work for Australian Unity Homecare. My partner and I also own a small Earthmoving business in town. I am delighted to be able to take on this position and I am looking forward to the challenges and opportunities it brings.

Treasurer: Melissa Martens:

This is my second year on the Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care management committee. I have taken on the role as the Treasurer after being an ordinary member. I grew up in Grenfell and attended the centre myself (many years ago). My partner and I have 2 children that now attend the service. I think the Preschool and Long Day Care is a wonderful asset to our town and I look forward to being a part of the committee.

Ordinary members

Amanda Protheroe: I have been elected as a committee member of the Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Centre. We have recently moved to Grenfell and have 2 children attending the centre. I hold a Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting) and work part time from home as well as helping out on the family farm. I am looking forward to working with the rest of the committee and assisting in the progress of the Centre

Lorene Hazell: I am very happy to be a part of the Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Centre Committee as an ordinary member. I look forward to working with our committee, centre employees and parents to provide the very best for all children here at the centre. Our two children attend the centre and thoroughly enjoy themselves and learn something new every week. Having the opportunity to contribute something back to the centre will be extremely rewarding.

Phoebe Baker: This is my second year as an ordinary member on the committee and I look forward to contributing to the running of our lovely centre. I have 3 daughters currently attending the centre, one in each of the rooms. I'm a Primary trained teacher and have mostly worked on a casual basis since becoming a mum. I also work for our seed cleaning business, Baker Grain Services. Since returning "home" from Sydney, I have realised how great it is to raise a family in this welcoming country community and how lucky we are to have such a fantastic centre for our kids to attend

Street Stall

It has been a long time since the Grenfell preschool and Long Day Care Centre had a street stall in the main street of Grenfell. We have been allocated by the Weddin Shire Council 11th & 12th November 2016. We will need some help by having people on our stall throughout the day and things to sell. Could you please do some cooking for us to sell? Perhaps you have some extra eggs and fruit or even books that you no longer need we could sell. All money raised will go to resources for the children.



Making your own Ginger Bread Houses

Date: Saturday 5th November from 2pm -4pm
Where: Grenfell Preschool and Long Day care Centre. Orders and payment must be in by 14th October

Living Safely with Dogs Preschool Program'

The NSW Government's Responsible Pet Education program will visit our Preschool on Thursday 3rd November 2016. Parents are invited to attend a 30 minute called session on DOG SAFETY commencing at 10:00 am

Did you know that children aged 0-4 are at the greatest risk of dog attack?

Did you know that 80% of dog attacks are by a known dog?

Most parents and children don't know how to interact safely around dogs. This session will provide you with this vital safety information which will help you to minimise the risk to your child. As the Pet Educator will be bringing a suitability tested dog with them, please advise if your child has an allergy or fear of dogs.

Your attendance at this important session is encouraged to help keep your children safe around dogs.

After the parents session the children from the Star and Garden room will attend a session to help them understand the importance of living with dogs.

There will be 2 sessions of 20 children

This program is all free and we urge you to bring your children in that day to listen to Kellie Scott the trained educator with her dog Dozer.

Session 1 10:45 - 11:30

Session 2 11:35 - 12:10

Mosquito

Each year we spray our centre for spiders etc. however due to the rain we have had lots of mosquitos about. If you wish for us to apply repellent to your child please bring it along with their name on it and we will apply when they go outside.



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.

Preschool resumes at Quandialla on Monday 10th October and Caragabal Tuesday 11th

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE FOR PHOTOS FOR QUANDIALLA VENUE OF THE MOBILE SERVICE TO MONDAY 24TH OCTOBER AND the CARAGABAL VENUE SCHOOL PHOTOS WILL BE ON TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2016

Some of the photos from our school holiday programme.



Dates to Remember

Young Eyes vision screening

Tuesday 18th October from 9am

Art Show

24th – 28th October

Street Stall

November 11th & 12th November

Photo Day

Tuesday 15th November

School Dental Clinic

Grenfell Community Health Service

For appointments please call 1300 55 26 26

Preschool dates

October 10th – December 16th

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

