



grenfell preschool & long day care centre



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Welcome back

Welcome back everyone. I hope that you all had a wonderful break and all are ready for a fun filled year. We welcome the new families and hope that whilst they are at our centre they enjoy their stay. If you have any concerns please call and see the Director, Sharon, as she will be only too pleased to help you.

A reminder to all parents that they need to provide evidence to the centre that their child is either:

- fully vaccinated for their age
- has a medical reason not to be vaccinated
- has a conscientious objection to vaccination which may include religious beliefs, or is on a recognised catch-up schedule if their child has fallen behind with their vaccinations.

Families can get a copy of their child's immunisation details by calling The Australian Childhood Immunisation Register on **1800 653 809** or emailing: acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au or [www.medicare Australia.gov/online](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/online)
You need to ask for an Immunisation History Statement.

Helpful Information

Email Story of the Day to You.

Every day the staff write up *The Story of the Day* which is extracts about what happens during the day. If you would like to have them emailed to you please see the staff and you will be placed on the email list.

Before and after school Care

Our centre offers before and after school care. There are buses running to and from both schools during the school term.

Just a reminder

When dropping off your children remember to help them unpack their bags. The children in all rooms share their fruit for morning tea. Please place a piece of fruit on the tray or basket supplied. If you are unsure about anything please see a staff

member or call at the office . We are only too pleased to help.

Family Information Pockets

Each family has a *Family Information Pocket* where information is placed from time to time. We ask you to check them. The Star Room and Garden room are located in the foyer as you walk in the front door.

The Rainbow Room Family pockets are up stairs on the left hand side of the wall to the Rainbow Room

All fees are invoiced weekly

- Long Day Care fees are payable for permanent positions for the 50 weeks of the year that the centre is open including during school holidays and when your child is absent due to illness, family holidays or other circumstances. In the event where the centre is full and the centre is notified the position .Fee Payment may be sold to a child waiting for care
- Two weeks' notice must be given when you leave the centre and they must attend the last day to claim CCB
- Preschool Funded places are available for preschool aged children from 8.30-3.30pm. Each term families will be issued with an account for the term. The cost of the service will be \$30 per day; however, as we are a registered care provider you will be eligible to claim some of that money back. There are no casual bookings for preschool funded places
- I remind parents that there is a bus stop outside the centre and you must not park between the hours 8:30am -9:30am and 3:00pm-4:00pm
- The centre is licensed to operate between the hours of 8.00am and 6.00pm. It is a regulatory requirement that two staff members be present on the premises at all times when children are in attendance. If a parent is late picking up their child this means overtime must be paid to two staff

members. Therefore to cover this cost a late fee will be charged.

The charges applied to arriving late to collect your child are:

Flat rate of \$10 plus \$1 for a minute late per child

- **Late half day bookings will be charged as a full day**

In the best interest of the child, parents will be contacted if they are late. If parents are unavailable the emergency person listed on the enrolment form will be contacted and the child released to them. If the emergency contact person is unavailable then the Police will be notified and they will take custody of the child. A late fee will still be charged pending on the length of time the above process takes.

Food

Our Centre is a nut free zone. Please do not pack peanut butter sandwiches, peanut butter dip and biscuits, hazelnut sandwiches and whole nuts. Foods banned at the Centre are: roll-ups, nuts, chewing gum, cordial and lollies. All lunches are stored in the fridge. To help us fit all lunches in the fridge we recommend a rectangle lunch box with a flat lid.

Morning Tea

- In the Garden and Rainbow Room fruit is shared for morning tea. This is cut up by staff and served out to each child in bowls. In term 1 and 2 the Star Room also share fruit for morning tea. Each child needs to provide 1 piece of fruit to be put in the fruit bowl on the bench. Please also provide an additional item for morning tea such as a yoghurt or biscuits and cheese. In the Rainbow room this is to be put on the morning tea tray on the bench

Lost property

- Please label all belongings as there are often the same drink bottles and hats.

Staff for 2014



The Star Room

Emily Lynch and Ashleigh Mitton

The Garden Room

Sharon Grant, Katie Ryan and Holly Ryan

The Rainbow Room

Laraine Bland, Lyn Hewen and Stephanie McCann

Weddin Mobile Service

Quandialla: Tracey McKellar and Belinda Stevens

Caragabal: Kim Durham and Belinda Stevens

Zovi Armstrong and Nicole Reid will return when school resumes.



**Weddin Mobile
Preschool
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 Sharon at the Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Centre on 0263431743



Dates to Remember

School Photos

Tuesday 10th November 2015

Giggles

May, date to be confirmed

Harmony Day

21st March 2015

Preschool start dates for 2015:

Grenfell Preschool: Tuesday 27th January

Weddin Mobile Preschool

Caragabal venue: Tuesday 27th January

Quandialla venue: Wednesday 28th January

Before and After School care will resume from Tuesday the 27th January.