



grenfell preschool & long day care centre

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StEPS

The State-wide Eyesight Pre-schooler Screening (StEPS) program is an initiative of the NSW Department of Health and offers all 4 year old children a free vision screening assessment. They will be at the centre on the 6th March 2013 to do screening from 8:45am

Family Fun Ice Cream Afternoon



The Management Committee of the Grenfell Preschool and Long Day Care Centre would like to invite you and your family to a Fun Ice Cream Afternoon

Come along to the centre on Saturday the 9th March from 3pm to 5pm for FREE ice cream. You will be able to mix and match your toppings while meeting other parents, staff and children from the centre.

Espresso coffee will also be available for \$4.50, with all proceeds going back to the centre for resources for the children.

To help us cater for the event we ask you to RSVP the centre as soon as possible either by email: mail@grenfellpreschool.com.au, phone- 0263432743 or placing your name on the acceptance sheet at the office

We look forward to seeing you all there

Bunning's

Miss Kylie has arranged for Bunning's to come to the centre on Wednesday 27th March to talk about recycling to the children. They are also bringing over some vegetable seedlings for us to grow.

Harmony Day

March is a very busy time here at preschool. The 21st of March is Harmony Day and it is also Seniors Week as well. We would like to combine the two events and therefore promote harmony between the generations. We are having a morning tea on Thursday 21st March where parents, grandparents and older friends are invited to come and share a cake and a cuppa with us and see what we do at preschool.

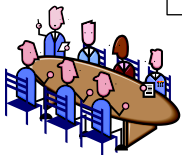


Easter Raffle

Every year we run an Easter Raffle to raise money for resources. We ask you to bring in an Easter egg to add to our basket. The more donations we receive the more prizes there will be. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. All tickets and

money are due back by Thursdays 28th March when we will be drawing the raffle.

Committee Corner



We have two new committee members.

Tamara Ingrey and Chloe Pailthorpe who have filled the

positions of Ordinary Member.

We would like to thank outgoing members Belinda Muldoon and Annette Ryan for their contribution whilst on the committee.

Policies reviewed - Bus
Policy under review -. Philosophy



Grenfell Pre School and Long Day Care will be holding Crazy Hair Day on Friday the 15th March. Crazy Hair Day is part of

the World's Greatest Shave which raises about half the money the Leukemia Foundation needs to fund its important work. The foundation works to provide practical and emotional support for patients living with leukemia, lymphomas, myeloma and related blood disorders including accommodation and counseling, as well as funding research into improved treatments and cures. A donation box will be available in the foyer. Your child can come with a crazy hair style or we can style their hair when they arrive. **Please let staff know if you do not want your child to have any spray or gel in their hair.**

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. Please do not hesitate to find out more by asking at the office

Family Service Plan


If you have not returned your Family Service plan or having trouble filling them out, please discuss this with your room educator.

Forms are available from the staff in each room for you to fill out.

Completing a Family Service Plan will help staff to program for your child's interests and goals.

Visitors

Work Health and Safety Regulations require the Centre to get all visitors to sign in and out of the premises. A visitor is any person, other than parents picking up and dropping off their children, who will be staying at the Centre longer than 10 minutes. The visitor's book is located in the foyer.



General Meeting – Information night

On Wednesday the 20th of March there will be an Information Night for all our families. If you are unsure about the running of the centre or how things are done please come along and find out. Ask questions and help us to help you. We will talk about how we program for your children using the EYLF, our funding and policies of the centre. Get to know the staff in your child's room.

**LUCKY DOOR PRIZE - 1 day fee childcare
Supper provided**

WE ARE THERE TO HELP YOU ALL

Parent Involvement

It is important to establish a good relationship with all parents at our service. Only through effective communication can the best interest of the child and the family be achieved. If you have concerns please see the director Sharon or the staff at the centre.

If you wish to speak to a member of the Management Committee they are available to contact.

President: Sarah Clifton

Vice President: Sally Metcalfe

Treasurer: Vanessa Gibson

Secretary: Amy Wood

Ordinary Members:

Tamara Ingrey, Chloe Pailthorpe and Nicola Baker

**WE ARE ALL THERE TO HELP EVERYONE AND
SEE THE CHILDREN ARE GETTING THE BEST
CARE POSSIBLE**

Notice of change of bookings

14 days' notice must be given if you are leaving the centre or changing days of attendance.

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. This system allows parents to utilise the centre from 8.00am to 6:00pm (full day) or from 8:00am to 1:00pm/ 1:00pm to 6:00pm (half day)

Grenfell Playgroup Teddy Bears Picnic

Wednesday 6th March

10am Taylor Park

(if raining it will be in the hall at Grenfell Public School)

Bring along morning tea and your favourite teddy bear and enjoy some fun with friends. There will be activities to enjoy and a sing along!



Contact Chloe Pailthorpe 0422 605 009



Weddin Mobile Preschool Service

Welcome to everyone on our mobile service. The service operates from 9:15am -3:15pm.

Quandialla Venue
Mondays and Wednesdays. Easter hat parade .Wed 27th March at 2:30pm and not 2pm as advertised

Caragabal Venue
Tuesdays and Fridays- The Quandialla venue will be hosting an Easter had parade on 26th March at 2:30pm and not 2pm as advertised

The play car the Caragabal parents brought has arrived and will out there for the children to use.

Phone Number
Mobile Service **0488 045 584** or Grenfell Pre School and Long Day Care Centre on **0263431743**