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Trivia Night

Thankyou to everyone who attended and donated to our Trivia Night on Saturday at the Grenfell Bowling Club.

The winners on the night were the "Goonyroos"! We would like to thank the following sponsors who made the night possible; Grenfell Caltex, Grenfell IGA, Reid's Thrifty Link, Egoista Grenfell Pharmacy, Grenfell Bowling Club and DA Yates Photography & Design

The raffle was won by Brendan Hewen

The Trivia night raised approximately \$1,000 and a huge thankyou must go to the fundraising committee for all the work they put into making the night fun for all. Our table didn't win but we had a great night with lots of laughter and good company. Paul Westman was the quiz master for the night and looked fantastic in his blue suit and green top hat

General Meeting- Wednesday 14th May

Have you ever wondered who is responsible for the day to day running of the long day care centre? Have you ever wondered what happens to the fees you pay? Have you ever thought about what would happen if there was no Management Committee at the Centre? If you haven't and your child attends preschool or the long day care centre, then perhaps you should.

Grenfell is extremely fortunate to have a day care centre and preschool with long hours, no waiting lists, qualified staff and a committed Management Committee. In many neighbouring towns, such services are either not available, or you need your name on the list well in advance of the time you may need a place and even then, you are not guaranteed a place.

Unfortunately, many of our events such as working bees and general meetings are not well supported by the parents despite the large number of people utilising the Centre. We need your support to ensure the continued operation of our service. So this year, we are trying something different to try to

encourage more people to attend our General meeting.

We will be running a Webinar on what is involved in being on a Management Committee. This is a way for you to come and listen without any risk of being asked to take a position on the Committee. It is not the AGM where people are elected to positions. You will not be asked to do anything other than listen and ask any questions you might have about what the Management Committee does. The best part is – there will be cake! You are also free to look around the Centre and see the masterpieces your children have created.

So please join us on Wednesday 14 May 2014 at 6pm at the Preschool for our General Meeting and show your interest for the people who provide care to your children. Feel free to contact the Centre or Vanessa Gibson at Gordon Garling Moffitt Lawyers for more information.

Working Bee

Sunday 18th May 2015 from 9am to 11am.

Scott Metcalfe will be coordinating the Working Bee
Please help if you can

Contact Phone Numbers

If you have changed your home phone, mobile or your emergency contact numbers, can you please let the office know? It makes it very frustrating if we cannot contact you in case of an emergency and I am sure you would like to know if something happens or happened to your child whilst in care.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Staff will be available to discuss your child's progress from Monday 23th June to Friday 27th June. If you would like to have an interview please place your name on the list that is in the sign in/out books for each room. **I urge all families to take advantage of this opportunity to speak to the people who care for your child while at the centre.**

Children's Arts and Activity Centre

As a fundraiser for the preschool the fundraising committee will be hosting a Children's Arts and Activity Centre on the Saturday 7th June at the Henry Lawson Festival, It will be located in the Health Scope Pathology Building. Entry will be \$5 for 1 child \$10 per family for unlimited entry. There will be painting, puppet making, drama dress ups and other activities. All we need now are volunteers to help on the day. If you could spare an hour or ½ hour it would be greatly appreciated. Because it's for kids, feel free to bring your children, along as well for free, and they can enjoy the activities while you help out. Any questions feel free to ring Amy Milne -63432441 or 0423915613.

Grenfell Show

We have been invited to enter children's painting in the Grenfell Show.

The staff will be busy getting them all done in time for the show which is on the 5th and 6th of September. We are also getting our artwork ready for our Little Picasso Art Show to be held from the 11th to the 15th of August.



The Gigalees

The Gigalees are coming to the centre on the of 27th May 2014 at 10am.

Wilma and Daisy (The Gigalees) are two of the most experienced children's entertainers in the country. Someone once described The Gigalees as 'Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis for kids' because the energy and humour of Wilma and Daisy was and is so infectious. Kids of all ages (even the big adult type kids) cannot help but laugh out loud and get drawn into the world of The Gigalees. Wilma and Daisy are the best of friends. They play lots of games and no one is ever left out.

If your child does not attend that day please let us know if they will be attending.

Cost is \$7 which we can charge your account



Committee Corner

General Meeting

There will be a General Meeting on Wednesday 14th May from 6pm.

New Fees from 1st July 2014.

As of 1 July 2014 fees to be increased as follows:

- After School Care - \$15.00 flat rate
- Long Day Care - \$70.00 per day
- Pre School - \$30.00 per day
- Mobile Service - \$25.00 per session
- Casual rate - \$7.50 per hour.

The Biggest Morning Tea 22nd May 2014



Tim Wood will be at the centre making coffee for the biggest morning tea again this year from 8am. Place your order when you drop your children off and have it ready as you leave or stay and have morning tea with us. Donations to the Cancer Council.



Weddin Mobile
Preschool
Service

You are all welcome to bring your children into the Gigglee's show at the centre on 27th May 2014. at 10 am . Please ring the centre on 63431743 to book a seat

Quandialla runs Mondays and Wednesdays and Caragabal runs Tuesdays and Fridays.
From 9:15 am- 3:15pm

Contact numbers: Mobile Service: **0488 045 584**
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Dates to Remember

General Meeting

14th May at 6:00pm

Working Bee at the Centre

18th May 2014 9am -11am

Biggest Morning Tea

Thursday 22nd May 2014 from 8am

National Simultaneous Story Time Library Excursion

Wednesday 23rd May 10:30am

Puppet making workshop

For after school care children

Friday 23rd May. The cost is \$20 per child

Book Fair

Week of the August 18th

Little Picasso Art Show

Week starting 11th August

School Photos

11th November 2014

End of year closure: Friday 19th December
Reopen: Monday 5th January 2015

The Trivia Night Photo Gallery



A Visit from the Ambulance Tuesday 13th May

We had a visit from the Ambulance Service today. They spoke to the children about what their job is in our community. A big thankyou to the paramedics, Paul and Luke, for talking to the children and showing them through the ambulance.