



grenfell preschool & long day care centre



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General Meeting

It was disappointing to see very few parents at the General Meeting; however for those who attended I'm sure they learnt more about the running of the centre and why it is so important to have a Management Committee.



Working Bee

We appreciate all the families that helped out with the working bee on Sunday. It was also wonderful seeing the children helping and listening to them talk about their preschool. On Monday the children that were at the working bee were excited to show their friends the changes. The flowers that were painted on the cement look great as does the side garden completed by the dads.



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.

Accounts/fees

Grenfell Preschool & Long Day Care Centre is a non-profit organisation. We endeavour to maintain a fee structure which is affordable and sustainable. Fees are processed on a weekly basis and posted into parent information pockets or emailed to you.

Fees are on a 14 day account. Fees are to be paid in full before the end of the 14 day period, unless a

previous arrangement has been made with the Administrative Officer/ Director/ Treasurer.

Families whose fees continually go into the 21 day payment will be assisted to manage their account by a requirement to pay on day of usage.

Parents are encouraged to discuss financial difficulties with the Director prior to accumulating a debt.

Late Fee

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 recover 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.**

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 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.



Committee Corner

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.



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Preschool
Service

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

Dates to Remember at Quandialla

Monday 9th June- No Preschool - June long week end.

Saturday 7th June - The Henry Lawson Festival

Wednesday 25th June - Pyjama Day and last day of term.

Contact numbers: Mobile Service: **0488 045 584**
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School Information Night

Principals of St Joseph's Primary School, Mr Peter Stephens and Mr Andrew Hooper from Grenfell Public School will be at the centre on the 18th of June at 6:30 pm to share information about their schools. All parents who have children starting school in 2015 are encouraged to attend. Notes will be going home to families with children who will be starting school in 2015 with more details.

This year the children in the Star Room will be performing a small concert for you before the meeting followed by a sausage sizzle. Staff will be there to care for your children during the information session.



Dates to Remember School Information night 18th June 2014

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 Henry Lawson Festival Parade Saturday 7th June 2014

The Henry Lawson Festival is fast approaching and each year we enter in the procession down the main street. The staff with the help of Greg Bowerman is in the process of making a float this year. Our theme is; *The Old Woman who lived in a Shoe*. We are in the process of completing our giant shoe. The procession starts at 1.30pm, so please meet us in Short Street near the Scouts hall at 1:15pm. Some of the children have asked if they could dress up, so please come in fancy dress if you like.

Please join us. The more the merrier.



The Biggest Morning Tea

Thankyou to all that attended the biggest Morning Tea on Thursday 22nd May .A huge thankyou to Tim Wood for spending time at the centre making coffee for everyone. Tim has been donating his time and coffee for some years to help raise money for Cancer research. I would also

like to thank everyone that made morning tea to share. We raised well over \$300 toward Cancer research.

Photo Gallery

The Biggest Morning Tea at the Grenfell Preschool, Thursday 22nd May.

