

ALBANY CREEK KINDERGARTEN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER APRIL 2019

Calendar of Events

- **Committee Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 21st May**
- **Bush Care Group meeting 1st
Sunday of the month outside
the Kindergarten**
- **Working Bee – Saturday 18th
May**
- **Open Day – Saturday 25th May**
- **Fundraising Bunnings BBQ at
Brendale Sunday 16th June**

ADMIN OFFICE HOURS

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Keep up to date and share
our wonderful kindy with
our local community.
Find us on Facebook at:
Albany Creek Kindergarten



We have come to the end of Term 1 and eagerly await the new adventures of Term 2. We are pleased to see all of the children settling so well and becoming emerged within our Kindergarten program.

Tracey Wilson, Nominated Supervisor

OUR CHILDREN

During the last month the children have been involved in our program which utilises children's interests to facilitate learning.



Mrs Taylor's Young Kindy group have continued to experiment with pipes, had a visit from a policeman and have discovered the reaction between bi carb and vinegar when making a volcano erupt and to make a rocket launch. They have been discussing feelings and continue to learn important social skills



Mrs Wilson's Green group have been looking at measurement, beginning with the observation of seed growth from some seeds they planted and then measuring and charting the heights of children in the class. This lead to some body awareness experiences such as painting, puzzles, songs, music, and books



Mrs Bull's Blue and Yellow groups have been involved in exploring an interest in hairdressing building imaginative play, social and communication skills. They have extended on the interests developed with bugs and the Waterbug experience. The groups have begun to look at measurement and plan to extend on this.



Calling all Bakers, Decorators and Candy Makers

Our Open Day Cake Stall is always a popular attraction and good Fundraiser for the Kindy.

If you are able to help out we will be doing a volunteer list on the front veranda at the beginning of Term 2. Please keep your eye out for it.

A reminder should also appear in your information pocket or at the sign in area of your room.



OUR CHILDREN



Miss Russell's Red group was keen to learn more about the waterbugs and other insects that live near our Kindy after participating in the Waterbug Wonders Presentation. They have also been introduced to the latest member of our class – Connie Confidence from the "You Can Do It" program; assisting with our social-emotional learning curriculum. The last few days have been spent enjoying many wonderful Easter activities and games which support the development of the children's fine motor skills and social interactions.



Working Bee Saturday 18 May 1pm – 4pm

Come one come all and make our Kindy ready for Open Day!

Jobs that need completing on the day include:

- High pressure cleaning of paths and concrete areas
- Sanding & painting of blocks
- General Tidy

If you can volunteer or offer equipment to help please keep a look out for the flyer in your child's pocket next term.

Please no children to this event

HONEY FOR SALE

In foyer area One Kilo \$13.00
500 gm Jar \$7.50
500 gm Squeeze Bottle \$7.50

ParentTV

Over 50% of our kindy parents have now taken up the free membership option. We hope you are finding it informative and helpful. A relevant video you may like to tune into is:

<https://parenttv.com/videos/preparing-toddlers-for-childcare-or-preschool/>

If you have not yet registered please do so as we are covering the cost of membership for all our kindy families.

See link below:

<http://www.parenttv.com/membership>

Community Events

Under 8's Day at our local Primary schools is a great way for you and your child to visit your prospective school and have some fun.

- 2nd May All Saints Primary
- 20th May Albany Hills Primary
- Albany Creek Primary

Our very own **Janelle Bull** has been nominated for Westfields Local Hero. We will keep you posted if she is successful for the next round and public voting.

Visit the Parent Library for Advice, Help, Ideas

There is a fabulous array of books in the Parent Library if you are looking for a bit of inspiration. If you have a spare few minutes take a look this week.



ALBANY CREEK KINDERGARTEN

Spend time in our amazing learning spaces! Have a chat with our teachers!

Find us on Albany Creek Kindergarten
albancreekkindy.com.au



OPEN DAY

SAT 25 MAY
10am - 12 noon

Visit us at 16 Ernie Street
Opposite the Albany Creek
Community Centre
Ph: 3264 1838

Please tell any family or friends who might be interested in attending our wonderful kindy that our open day is nearly here. Waiting list fee is waived on the day if you attend.

Volunteer Grant Success!

Albany Creek Kindergarten Association Inc. has been successful in its application for funding under the Volunteer Grants 2018.

This grant (\$5000) is to go towards electronic equipment that will benefit both staff and volunteers at the kindy.

A big shout out to Deonne and Shona who submitted the application last year!!

OUR EDUCATORS/STAFF

Our educators have begun the year with some professional development opportunities such as webinars around the new Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guidelines and upcoming C and K curriculum support document, online support with new inclusion support funding models and attendance at parenting forum hosted by Parent TV.

During week 8 our centre was visited by our C and K Educational Practice Advisor, Carolyn Ireland. She was able to share her expertise in curriculum and shared ideas about planning, documenting and reflection.

The following week our C and K Early Childhood Education Consultant, Tara Franks visited. She became involved in our daily program, interacted with the children and educators and shared some information about how she can support our Kindergarten.

NEVER HAVE A CARD WHEN YOU NEED IT?



LIMITED NUMBER OF BOXES REMAIN

Selling for only \$15/box (that's from 42c/card) they are GREAT value.

Policy Feedback

C&K welcome and value family feedback. Don't forget you can provide feedback to C&K about any of our policies and procedures by emailing policyfeedback@candk.asn.au





Woolworths Earn and Learn is on it's way!

We will be participating as usual and will have boxes at both Albany Creek and Eatons Hill Woolworth stores as well as having the option to drop them in at the kindy. Please recruit any friends and family who shop at Woolworths to support us with their tokens.

Thank you!



Sustainability Tips...ways to go green at home

- Collect rainwater and use it to water your houseplants and garden
- Create a homemade compost bin
- Stop using disposable bags
- Wash laundry in cold water instead of hot
- Donate to – and shop at - thrift stores
- Use cloth instead of disposable wipes to clean
- Walk or ride a bike were possible
- Turn off your computer completely at night
- Support your local economy and shop at your farmer's market

For more information, visit

<https://theartofsimple.net/tips-to-go-green-at-home/>



We wish everyone a safe and happy term break. We hope you all have a lovey Easter and look forward to seeing everyone back from Tuesday 23rd April.