

ALBANY CREEK KINDERGARTEN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2019

Calendar of Events

- **Committee Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 15th October
(Committee minutes are
available to families in the
office.)**
- **Bush Care Group cancelled for
October**
- **Term 4 begins 8th October**

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Albany Creek Kindergarten

We have had a very busy and fulfilling term. Since our last newsletter all groups had the opportunity to participate in a Book Week experience with our local librarians from Albany Creek Library. During book week, we also participated in the "Premier's reading challenge". Throughout the week each group of children were involved in 20-40 shared literacy experiences at Kindergarten and at home.

Our Father's and special guests got to spend time within the classroom as each group celebrated Father's Day. There was a morning mini Olympics and many evenings at Kindergarten.

Tracey Wilson (Nominated Supervisor/ Educational Leader)

Our Children

Individual classes continue to extend on the children's interests to create positive learning outcomes.



The Young Kindergarten children have been very interested in how things grow particularly silkworms and plants. They have been watching silkworms grow and have planted seeds which will grow. During book week they talked about each other's favourite books and enjoyed a visit from the librarian. They have had fun role playing in a vet surgery and welcomed a new friend Josie and her family to the group.

Our Children



Mrs Wilson's class have enjoyed exploring the outdoor space looking for nature and using their acquired science knowledge. In particular, some children went on a magnet hunt both inside and outside to find things made of metal. They then created their own signs "metal" and "not metal" to display. During the outdoor exploration the wilting sunflower was reborn as the children planted their own seeds; they continue to enjoy watching their progress.



Miss Russell's class have recently been involved in many science investigations. The children have enjoyed participating in varied experiments, including cause and effect, motion and magnetism. We have also further extended our knowledge about dinosaurs. The groups' excursion to Coles was a great opportunity to further extend their learning outside of the classroom and give them a true hands-on experience. The highlight of the term so far has been the Father's mini Olympics, in which they competed in teams with their Dads in a variety of relay races.



Both of Mrs Bull's groups have been developing an understanding of science concepts. They have explored physical objects, observed effects and represented and communicated their interpretations. They have also discussed being an author and illustrator as we read/ told different styles of stories during Book Week. The yellow group are looking forward to toasting marshmallows on their campfire this week.

Thank you to all families who completed the Family Survey and this will soon be analysed and used for future planning.

Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser

We raised \$1432.00!!



THANK YOU!

An amazing effort from Kath & Jeff Samson organising the Bunnings BBQ and all their hard work on the day.

Our thanks also to the volunteers who helped on the day or contributed with donations.



Bush Care Cancelled

Please note that Bush Care for October is cancelled due to the long weekend.

Next and last for the year is on:
3rd November

HONEY FOR SALE



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

National Child Protection Week (1st-7th September)

During August and September all groups have participated in Fire and Lockdown Evacuation Drills. Our aim is to instil a concept of personal safety for children and can cover sun safety, road safety, personal space, body awareness and building positive relationships. For more details please have a look at this link about protective behaviours

[https://login.candk.asn.au/childprotection/Shared%20Documents/Information%20sheet What%20are%20protective%20behaviours parent.pdf](https://login.candk.asn.au/childprotection/Shared%20Documents/Information%20sheet%20What%20are%20protective%20behaviours%20parent.pdf)

This is always a timely reminder to ask families and carers to:

- Continue to provide appropriate sun safe hats (6cm full brim hats), clothing (shirts covering shoulders at a minimum) and applying sunscreen upon arrival at Kindergarten.
- Ensure your child holds the hand of an adult in and around the Kindergarten carpark and discuss road and car safety.
- For the safety of all please avoid leaving children alone in cars.
- Talk to your children about supportive adults in their own network e.g. Mum, Dad, Grandparents, Family friends, teachers, police etc

Our Educators

Educators have continued with professional development and the sharing of ideas with each other. We hosted a Professional Network Meeting (PNM) with other C&K educators on the 22nd August and worked together to unpack the new Curriculum Approach.

On Wednesday 14th August Mrs Bull and Mrs Wilson met with Albany Creek State School Prep teachers, Deputies and other Early Years providers around the area. We looked at ACSS's AEDC data and brainstormed the impact of this for children within our community. We also shared thoughts on the skills/disposition's children require as they enter school. These were broken up into the AEDC domains- Emotional Maturity, Social Competence, Communication skills and General Knowledge, Language and Cognitive skills and Physical Health and Wellbeing. Some of the qualities included: resilience, self-regulation, kindness, empathy, turn taking, independence, looking after belongings, seeking help, asking questions, clear articulation, eye contact, interest in numbers and letters, recognition of written name and writing name, concentration and imagination. (For a more comprehensive list please see display outside each room or ask your teacher).





Working Bee

Thank you!!

Our working Bee was a success thanks to our coordinator Rob and volunteers Matt, Shane, Rick and his two workers.

An extra special mention to Rick Hartman and his team. Without their help and Rick's truck we wouldn't have achieved what we did. Not only did they deliver a load of bark for the playground area, we loaded Rick's truck full of green waste and saved about 10 trips to the tip!!

C & K Open Day

On Tuesday 3rd September we ran our Open Morning in conjunction with "C and K open week". We had a number of families come and have a look, and all seemed to enjoy their experience.

Please support our community kindly!

Do you know a little one ready to learn, grow and have fun?

Talk to your friends and neighbours about our Kindergarten and encourage them to enrol their child within a Community Kindergarten. If you know or are part of a local business or community group willing to display brochures or a poster about our Kindergarten please let us know.

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.



We wish everyone a safe and relaxing school holiday break and look forward to the excitement of term 4 commencing from October 8th.