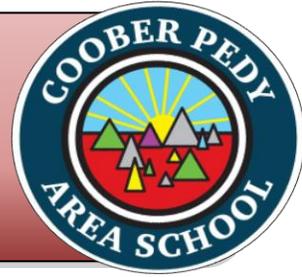


February
2020

Coober Pedy Area School Child Parent Centre News



What's on at the Preschool in 2020

- **Mondays**

Language (Yanknytjatjajara/
Antakarinja) Classes with Myra
Kumantjara

- **Tuesdays**

Little Musicians 10:00- 11:00 am
at the Preschool.

- **Wednesdays**

Cooking with Effie- This is to
promote basic food
preparation skills and
encourage healthy eating.

- **Thursdays**

Community Playgroup 9am-
10:30am

Dates to Remember

- **Harmony Day March 21st**
- **NAIDOC Week 30th March-
3rd April (Week 10 T1)**

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Families,

This month we begin our Read, Write Inc. sound/letter learning program. We focus on a letter a week and immerse our environment in items associated with the letter.

Our morning group time focus is also around sound/letter learning, stories and rhymes.

Tegan Jones is in the preschool from lesson four daily. Tegan ensures a numeracy focus during her afternoon group sessions. This also involves songs, rhymes and finger plays with a numeracy focus.

Our little musician's sessions have also begun. These are run by Chevahn Hoad and supported by Trish Turner of the Child and Parent Services program (CAPS) and Jeanette Plummer from United Care Wesley. The students sing, dance and join in with musical experiences. This is an open session and is available to other services and families to join. We would love for you to join us if you can.

SeeSaw

We would like to apologise for the slow start with the SeeSaw app. We hope you are enjoying the information being shared. We have included a form in your parent pockets explaining the See Saw app. This form also has a section to update your email details. Please fill out and return to the preschool staff as soon as possible.

Label Items

Please label all items brought to the preschool. This includes clothing, shoes, bags, lunch boxes, food containers and drink bottles. It is difficult for staff to identify non labeled items. Your assistance is appreciated.

Forms

We are in the process of developing children's individual learning goals and I have attached a 'Getting to know your Child' form. This needs to be filled out and returned to our preschool staff. This information allows staff to gain a greater insight into your child's likes, dislikes and learning. Your input is greatly valued.

Service Philosophy

Also attached is a service philosophy feedback form. A service philosophy is typically a written statement developed by the educators, families, children and community regarding its priorities, values and beliefs relating to child's development, care, and education.

Having a service philosophy is important so that all who work together are unified with the same priorities. A service philosophy also helps parents and care givers select the program that fits their families' own philosophies of child rearing. A service philosophy informs practice and underpins all that we do at the preschool. Please return your forms to preschool staff or reply via the SeeSaw app.

Plants, plants, plants

We need plant clippings or pot plants (indoor plants) for the preschool. If you have any to donate, we would love to have them

Children's Lunches

We provide fruit, vegetables and toast for breakfast and morning tea. Children are encouraged to eat the fruit, then what is in their lunchboxes. We do not hand feed the children unless there is a developmental need. Mealtimes are used to promote independence and self-help skills. If you wish to discuss mealtimes- see Tink or Tegan.

Meet the Parent Night

On Monday 24th February, the school will be holding a 'Meet the Parent Night'. The preschool is also included in this. If you wish to attend to discuss your child's learning and development, we will be open from 5-6pm.

Thankyou- The Preschool Team- Tink, Tegan, Effie & Anna



Thank you and Donations

Thank you to:

- Ms. Veronika for the donation of craft items.
- Rose at St Vinnies for the jewelry items for our craft and home corners.
- Miss Effie for the plant cuttings.
- RSAS team for the food items.

We appreciate everyone's input into the learning programs. Thankyou.