



Term 2 – June 2019

Brrrrr! Welcome to Winter!

Another successful term has almost come to an end at Bimbadeen Pre-School!

Each group is well settled in now and have been busy completing many developmental activities planned and organised by our incredibly committed teachers and staff.

Enjoy your winter break and stay warm!

Term Dates:



Term 2: Finish - 28th June

Term 3: 15th July – 20th September

15th Aug – No Kinder

Term 4: 7th October – 13th December (3YO)
20th December (4 YO)

PRE-SCHOOL DUTY

Have you put your name onto the Term 3 roster for pre-school duty? It's wonderful to have an extra set of hands around. Your child will also love the opportunity to show you all of the things they can do while at pre-school.



Near the kinder entrance of playground in the interest & safety of other parents & children!

Parking

where possible can families park on one side of the road (kinder building side) to be mindful on house owners and through traffic on Bimbadeen Drive.

NO NUTS



Just a friendly reminder that the Kinder has a No Nuts policy.

Cooler Weather Reminders

- During these cooler months children need to bring their coats and warm hats to each session.
- Please ensure your child's warm clothing is clearly labelled to minimise lost clothing.
- Please be vigilant with coughs and sneezes from your child. If your child is feeling under the weather please keep them home for a rest so they begin to feel better and so that the coughs and sneezes don't spread to other children. If your child needs to stay home please contact the landline 9726 0646 THE MOBILE IS FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY.

2020 ENROLMENTS

We are now taking enrolments for 2020!

If you are interested in enrolling or know of someone who is looking for a Kinder for 2020 please contact the kinder for more information .

9726 0646

GARDENING

Term 3 roster out now!

If you haven't signed up this year please sign up today. It takes around half an hour to an hour out of your weekend to help keep our kinder yard looking clean and tidy.

Jobs can include:

Sweeping paths

Clearing sticks

Weeding as needed

If the roster doesn't fill up you will be allocated a weekend over the term.

Thank-you to those families who have already signed up.





FUNDRAISING

Wow! What a night! Thank-you to everyone who came along to our Kinder Disco. It was a wonderful night and looked like the kids all had fun dancing along to the Hokey Pokey, Chicken Dance and Baby Shark. Thank-you to the committee members who helped on the night.

Picture Product orders have arrived! Please speak to your child's teacher to pick up your order.

August is going to be lots of fun next term with our Trivia Night and our Bunnings BBQ fundraisers. Sign up sheets to help out at the BBQ will be up at the start of next term. We need everyone's support in order to make this a successful event so please sign up to help!

Thank-you
Nicole, Hayley & Erena

FUNDRAISING Dates for the Diary:

TERM 3:

- **Trivia Night with Bimbadeen Heights Primary School:** Fri 16th Aug
- **Bunnings BBQ:** Sat 31st Aug

TRIVIA NIGHT Friday August 16th

Have you got an item you could donate towards our silent auction or have you got a small business that could offer their products/services for the silent auction?

If so please let us know!

**THE JAR IS FILLING UP!
REMEMBER TO BRING ALONG YOUR 5 CENT PIECES!**



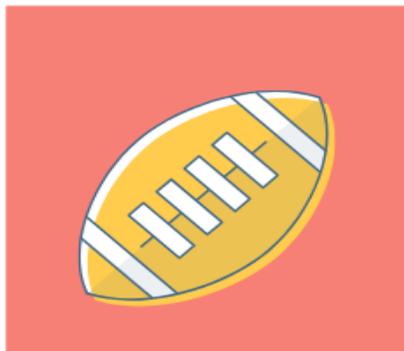
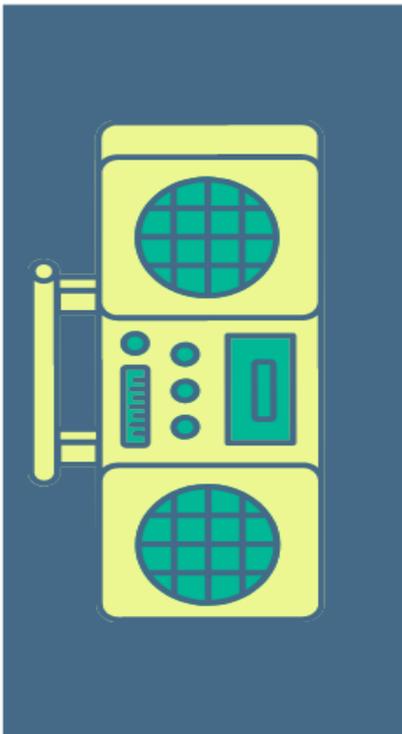
Earn & Learn is on again!

Let's get collecting

Earn & Learn finishes on June 25th so make sure you bring your stickers into kinder!

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

TRIVIA NIGHT



**FRIDAY
AUG 16
6.30PM**

**Bimbadeen Heights Primary
& Bimbadeen Pre-school
are partnering for this
fundraising event**



RED GROUP'S REPORT

It is hard to believe we are at the end of term 2 and half way through the year!

The children have loved spending time outside explore our new yard. The small sandpit and trees near the 'All Abilities Tree House' have been popular spots to hide and play.

The children were very excited to invite their mums to a special morning tea. The children (with the help of staff and parents) made scones to share.

The room was set out to look like a café and the tables were decorated with flowers.

A fun time was had by one and all!

Autumn was a focus point for the group earlier in the term. It is a great time of the year to explore our yard. The Liquid Amber tree and grape vine provided the children with some beautiful coloured leaves to collect and play with!

During music and movement the children pretended they were leaves falling from the trees as they sang the song "Like a Leaf or Feather".

Farmer Sue visited kinder recently and brought her farm animal friends. The children learnt how to hold and feed the farm animals, they were familiarised with different sorts of eggs from chickens, ducks, geese, etc and they learnt how to make butter from cream.

Since Farmer Sue's visit, the children have enjoyed songs and stories about farm animals using puppets, drawn pictures of their favourite animals and completed some farm animal craft activities.

On Thursday the children enjoyed story-time with Hanna, Children's Librarian from Mooroolbark Library. Hanna read this year's simultaneous story- time book as part of the session. The book this year was titled "Alpacas with Maracas".

Our science activities have been around 'AIR' and how it moves trees, flags, balloons, etc. The children had lots of fun with rocket balloons! The story we read as part of this focus was called 'The Blue Balloon'.

At group times the children have enjoyed our music sessions. Musical statues is still a favourite! Some are also enjoying doing the actions to the song Drip Drop.

Many thanks to our families for all your support over the term. Wishing you all a wonderful break and we will see you all refreshed next term.

Gill and Jess

GREEN GROUP REPORT

Green Group has had a lot of fun this term! They have particularly enjoyed spending time in our new playground building with blocks and role playing using a variety of props. Our newly donated scarves are being well used. Inside we have seen some amazing block buildings and inventive creations using open ended materials at the collage table!

The program has incorporated the wider community through incursions and excursions throughout the term.

The children took a visit to the local letterbox to post invitations to their mums. They invited them to come to kinder for a 'Special Morning Tea' with food they made. On the way back they had a play in the park next door to kinder.

Green Group's 'Special Mother's Day Morning Tea'. We shared good food and company.

Autumn is a great time of the year to explore our yard. The Liquid Amber tree and grape vine provided us with some beautiful coloured leaves for us play!

Hanna Condon, Children's Librarian, from Mooroolbark Library visited our 4's as part of the 'National Simultaneous Story-time'. She read *Alpacas with Maracas* and *Click Clack Moo, Cows That Type!*

National Simultaneous Story-time is an important annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. It's in its 19th year and aims to promote the value of reading and literacy using an Australian children's book that explores age appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the pre-school Early Learning Years Framework.

Today we went on an excursion to Mooroolbark Library. We learnt lots of information about the library and Hanna read us a variety of stories.

On the 18th June we were visited by Joe from Rhythm Fun. The children were introduced to music and percussion instruments from Africa, South America, Europe, Asia, Middle East and Indigenous Australia.

Through the workshop the children had the opportunity to:
Experience rhythms and music styles from different cultures.

Gain an understanding of pitch, tempo and tone.

Experience playing different percussion instruments.

Work collaboratively with peers, taking turns and using listening skills.

Use numeracy skills to count beats.

Use perceptual motor skills to create beats and rhythms.

Develop an understanding of the different parts of the drum kit and the way it can be used to create different sounds.

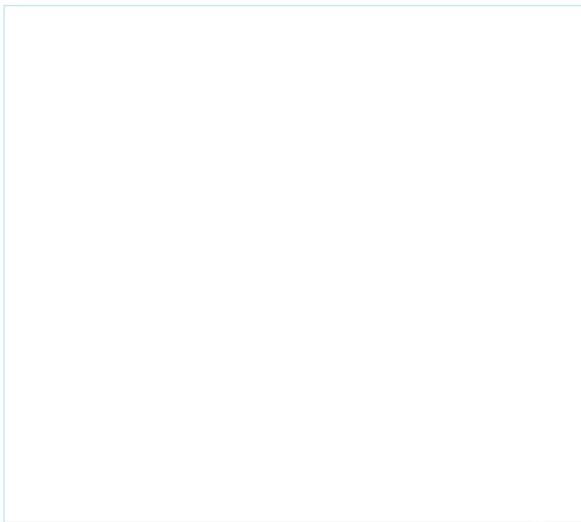
Many thanks to our families for all the help and support you have given over the term. We would like to wish you all a safe holiday break and we look forward to more exciting adventures next term!

Gill and Sam

Blue Group

Blue group has had a very busy and engaged second term; friendships are deepening, confidence is growing and their engagement to learn new things surprises us every week!

We have had some exciting incursions and excursions this term. We started with our walk to the post box to post our invites for our Morning Tea. Blue Group learnt all about road safety. We were so proud of how well they conducted themselves on our little excursion.



To extend our learning about the Library and deepen our connection to the community we had an excursion to Mooroolbark Library. Blue group learnt about the different kind of books, DVDs and Cd's that can be borrowed from the Library. Hannah read 3 stories . The favourite being "Open

Very Carefully, a book with bite."

This term we have introduced a morning exercise routine that we do at the beginning of every session. This routine ensures children are moving their bodies in ways that help them with spatial awareness, crossing the midline, balance, visual tracking and core strength exercise. We call it “making my mind and body ready for learning”. The reason for promoting a daily morning movement routine is that research shows exercise improves the brains ability to

- learning new concepts
- remember content
- follow instructions and
- Maintain focus and attention.

Blue group have tackled these new exercises with enthusiasm and we are slowly introducing more movement activities into our morning routine.

Tuesday 18th June we had Joe from Rhythm Fun visit us with a selection of percussion instruments from around the world. We spoke about rhythm, high, medium and low sounds (pitch) and we explored slow, medium and fast (tempo). We travelled the world using Joes map, and we heard about different drums and how they were made. At the end of the session we all had the opportunity to play the big Drum Kit, what fun! Some children chose brushes and others chose sticks. We got so much joy out of watching how much the children enjoyed the music with Joe

