

CENTRE NEWS

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YANGEBUP FAMILY CENTRE INC

From the Manager

With so many **bushfires** in the local area we have had some very anxious moments this summer.



A huge thank you must go to all of the firefighters, emergency services, volunteers and support workers for keeping us safe. We are hoping to run some workshops about how to prepare and prevent fires before next summer.

On a brighter note we raised \$77 for KidsHeart WA, thank you to everyone who made a donation.

Thank you to the City of Cockburn for providing \$12 000 to support our crèche for this year. Workshops for next term will include Postnatal Support Group, and Meerilinga.

We had a stall at Hello Baby on the 18 March. It was lovely to see so many people braving the weather.



We have recently completed a HR review with the assistance of consultant Joe Radici with positive outcomes for the staff and centre.

On behalf of the staff and committee we wish you a very Happy Easter and look forward to seeing you next term!

Samantha Williams

Important Dates

27 Mar - Deposit T2 fees due

2 Apr - Term 1 ends

20 Apr - Term 2 begins

1 May - Balance T2 fees due

4-8 May - Mothers Day activity

16 May- New Program Launch

26 Jun - Deposit T3 fees due

3 Jul - Term 3 ends





POSTNATAL SUPPORT GROUP

A warm invitation to mothers experiencing depression, anxiety or stress related to child birth and mothering.

Thursday 9.15-11.15am | 23 April - 18 June

Yangebup Family Centre |
Contact FWHC 9431 0500 for information,
pre-group assessment and crèche



Happy Easter! From all the YFC staff and committee

3 Year Old Kindy

Limited places available for Term 2

Contact the office to enrol 9419 9995 info@yangebupfamilycentre.org

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Children's Services



Staff Workshop and Christmas Dinner



Staff updates

Congratulations to Mandy on finishing her Certificate III in Children's Services. A big welcome to Deanne and Mel who ioined our team this year. Keep up the hard work Jess and Hollie who are studying their Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood). Good luck to Holly Forbes as she goes on maternity leave from term 2. We wish her and her family the best of everything.

Professional Development Deanne and myself attended the ACECQA workshop on the 26 February focusing on Quality Area 1 - Educational Program and Practice. It was a great workshop keeping it simple but packed full of great ideas. I will be attending a Working with Dads workshop on how to start up a playgroup to engage and involve dads into our centre. All staff will be attending a P.D. on child protection within the next few months.

Policies under review Sun protection Policy Healthy Eating and Food Handling Policy

Quality Improvement Plan (Q.I.P)

This is an on-going document that we review frequently to improve the centre and keep us up dated and fresh in our approach to the children's programs and is a requirement under the National Regulations 2012.

Jo McGillivray

Kindy



Like us on Facebook!

Updates, reminders and photos! The Kindy children have made a wonderful start to the year, we are so proud of them. The staff have been working on building and maintaining strong relationships with the children, in order to help the children feel safe, secure and supported while at Kindy.

To help the children build a sense of who they are and feel as though they are an important member of our Kindy class we have spent a lot of time focusing on the children and their sense of self; this has included drawing self -portraits, discussing and drawing who lives in their house as well as contributing photos to create our beautiful

family trees.

The children absolutely loved having 'Happy Feet' come to the centre and we learnt about choosing healthy food options and how we must exercise in order to keep our bodies strong and healthy.

Holly, Hollie, Deanne, Mandy and Elena.



Playgroup

It has been a fun filled, busy start to the year. We are all enjoying getting to know one another. We will be celebrating this wonderful term with an end of term party/Easter Party. We will also be enjoying a little Easter Egg Hunt.

Entertainment Book

The Entertainment Book, or Entertainment Digital membership will be available from the centre next term for \$65. Please support our fundraising by purchasing a membership, \$13 from every membership goes to the centre.

Playclub

Wow, another wonderful start to the year. The children have been loving the water play during the warm weather. As the term draws to a close, the children have been making their Easter craft. We will end the term off with an End of term party/Easter party and an Easter Egg Hunt. Fun, Fun, Fun...

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Visit our website for more news and centre information

Occasional Care

Occasional Care has been going great so far this year! The children have led us in many directions for example, the Friday children showed a great interest in rainbows and colours. We brainstormed how they were created which was very interesting and insightful! We started a large group rainbow project together. First we made the rainbow shape, then we painted the different colours of the rainbow, the following week we added coloured collaging to the sections. The children are very proud of their rainbow! The children have enjoyed creating a big family tree in the room using natural resources such as sticks and leaves. The children feel very proud when showing each other their family photos, it also has increased their sense of belonging as a group. (LOC 2.1) We were lucky to have Happy Feet dancing come to the centre to perform a healthy eating and exercise programme with us! The children learnt the importance of eating healthy "fuel" foods and limiting treat foods and exercising regularly. Jess from Success Library came out to the Wednesday children to read multicultural stories for Harmony week and Salma taught the children some of her traditional belly dancing moves and played traditional music from her country, Jordan. (LOC 2.2) The children showed appreciation and respect for Salma's culture and her music as well as enjoying themselves very much!



Mat session in Occasional Care

Hollie, Salma, Jess and Toni

Occasional Care is available Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Places are available now for children 0-6 years. Bookings are essential.



Easter Raffle

Thanks to real estate agent Jo Forward for providing the Easter colouring competition and prizes. All gold coin donations will go to towards new resources for the centre. Return your colouring by Wednesday 1 April.

Free Bread

We are currently having bread donated to the centre each Wednesday. If you wish to collect some free bread you are more than welcome to call in a Wednesday and get some. Please bring your own bag.

Wool Donations



The Yangebup Leisure Group create beautiful woollen items to donate to local aged care facilities. So that they can continue to provide these items they are calling for **wool donations**, if you can help please drop wool at the centre.

We value your feedback!

Please see
staff if you
have any
issues,
suggestions
or praise!

Infant First Aid

The next Infant First Aid course will be held on **Tuesday 31st March** from 9.30-11.30am. The course runs for 2 hours and covers CPR, Anaphylaxis and asthma. To enrol contact the office and pay the course fee of \$15 to confirm your place.



Make-it, Meet-up fortnightly Wed 7-9pm 0421 216 733

Book your next party at the Family Centre

Why have a mess at home? Hire our large spacious room with tables, chairs etc. and access to the outdoor play area and fully equipped kitchen. Very reasonable rates.

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Strengthen Community

Please note that during the school holidays the office will be closed on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Yangebup Family Centre is proudly supported by our Partners:



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Other Centre News

School Holiday Craft

Craft class for children (6-12 years) / adults on Tuesday 14 April 9.30-11am \$12 per person includes all materials & morning tea. We will be making Mother's Day craft including a painted terracotta pot, ladybug plant marker and a Mothers Day card!

Tuesday Crafternoon Tea

Every Tuesday during school term, recommencing 21 April 2015, Crafternoon Tea & papercraft classes 12.30-2.30pm, creche is available for \$3 per child (bookings essential) & afternoon tea is included in both options.

For a full list of topics for the term see my website www.discover.stampinup.net

Thanks Ann 0421 482 578 gerlach@iinet.net.au

Yangebup Leisure Group

The Yangebup Leisure Group meet every Tuesday from 9.30 – 12.30pm. Activities include bingo, movies, board games, craft and outings. Contact Daphne for more information 9414 7124.

Make it, Meet up

Held fortnightly on a Wednesday night from 7-9pm. A sewing/craft group for making and chatting. Contact Penelope on 0421 216 733 for more information.

Sewciables

Sewing group meets monthly on Saturday afternoon. Contact Glenys on 0439080467 for more information.

Child Health Centre

The Child Health Centre is located in the same building as the Family Centre. The nurse is available to assist you with your parenting needs. Contact the Child Health Centre 9417 5022.



Local real estate agent, Jo Forward, will donate to the centre for sales and rental referrals. Contact Jo on 0409 348 224.

Clinic Parking

Please do not park in the bays marked 'clinic' as these bays are reserved for those attending the Child Health Nurse.

Thank you