

PROSPECT COMMUNITY EARLY EDUCATION & CARE NEWS

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Fencing



Prospect Primary School was approved for funding to fence in the school buildings and parts of the grounds. As a part of this project our front garden has also been enclosed. A gate will be in use at the front path off Olive St and a second gate will be in place at the end of the path leading the school grounds. This second gate will only be open when the school is open. Apologies for any inconvenience caused during this build process.

Recipe Book

The centre Recipe Book is available for purchase. Hardcopy is \$15 and a PDF file emailed to you is \$12.

Email prospectcc@ozemail.com.au to order yours

From the Director:

Wow! I can't believe we are almost in to March already. We are well underway with the new groups and programs. Everyone has settled back into the routines and we have welcomed back from Maternity Leave both Alexis and Amanda. You may have also noticed that Courtney is expecting her second child. Courtney is due in mid-June and will be with us through May.



Liz has been off travelling through Canada for most of February – we look forward to hearing about her travels when she returns.

We have a few new casual Educators in the centre – if you are not sure who the Educators are, please let Kerri, Kylie or Ayleen know so that we may assist you.

Until next time, Kerri

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS TERM:

9th March

Dr Hubble's
Bubble Show
10.30am
\$5.00p/child
Clown and
Science Show!

29th March

Annual Meet the
Educator Evening.
6.00pm – 7.30pm
A chance to meet
the Educators and
hear about the
year ahead!

31st March

Amazing
Drumming
Monkeys 10.30am
\$5.00p/child
Bongo and Congo
on their yearly visit
to the centre.

Learn, play & grow with us

POLICY B1

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT AND COMMUNITY LINKS

WE BELIEVE:

The early and middle years of life are seen as vital to a child's individual development and therefore in keeping with the notion of partnership, family members are encouraged to visit and participate in the daily life of the service.

Forming partnerships between the Service and local community groups is central to providing effective care.

These partnerships promote open and extensive communication, which is respectful of, and sensitive to, community needs.

THEREFORE WE WILL:

- Encourage family participation and involvement in the centre and ensure it is always appreciated, encouraging parents to speak to our Director on any matter.
- Encourage family members to share their family life with the Centre's children. This could include sharing cultural foods, important ceremonies and festivals, music, stories, different languages or dance.
- Share families' cultures through informal gatherings, parent workshops and daily communication to enrich the lives of children, staff and families who use the centre.
- Fundraise, as necessary, to purchase new equipment etc and parents will be asked to support this process in any way they can.
- Work closely with Prospect Primary School and Rosary School to make the transition from child care to school and Out of School Hours Care as easy as possible for the children and their families.
- Provide up to date information to families on local programs and activities for families e.g. kindergartens, school, playgroups, Kindergym, parent information sessions etc.
- Actively seek suggestions and feedback from parents on ways to enhance community links.
- Actively promote ourselves within the community and seek representation with other service providers in the local community.

**Ratified by Management Committee February 2016
Review February 2019**

Setting your child up for success— Hepburn, Redmond and Whinham

As children move through the rooms at child care we are working towards having each child developmentally and socially ready for each transition—to Kindy and to school.

Amongst other areas of development, we plan in our curriculum for your children to learn:

***Self help skills** - toileting, dressing, feeding

***Independence** - Self settling (to sleep and at drop off), finding own bag, spare clothes

***Letter and number recognition** - finding own name on drink bottles, lockers, hats, bedding

All these areas of development are monitored and evaluated by the Early Childhood Educators (ECE) in your child's room. At any time a child cannot manage or has not quite mastered a milestone a staff member is always there to assist. We role model for children and intentionally teach each milestone we are working on to each child.

How can you help?

When bringing your children into care (Toddlers and Kindy) help them settle into an activity. It is best for your child not to pass them into the arms of an ECE as Kindy and School Teachers can not carry children and we need all transitions for the children to be smooth to ensure the best outcomes for each individual.

Encourage your child to recognise their bag by allowing them to carry it into care and to place it in the locker / drawer. If applicable show them their name tag so they begin to recognise their written name.

Clearly label your child's belongings which are bought into care ~ it is best to use lower case letters rather than all capitals as when learning the alphabet children are taught in lower case predominantly. Show your child where the labels are and encourage them to take ownership and responsibility for their items.

If you have any concerns please speak with Kerri, Centre Director.

HATS

We have new stock of hats at the centre in 50 cm and 54 cm
Cost is \$10 and can be added to your account

IPARENT

In the coming weeks links will be sent out to all families to access the iParent Portal to send through requests and check accounts, payments and balances, etc

CREAMS

If you supply a nappy rash cream or sun cream for your child's use at the service can we please request the smaller sizes are supplied. Storage space is limited and the smaller containers help with this.



FEEDBACK FORM



Have you got any feedback, suggestions or comments on the centre?
Please jot them down below and pop them into the fee box. Thanks!

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Keep your kids smiling

SA Dental Service

Have you received a letter from Medicare about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule?
The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, preschool and most children under 18 years at School Dental Service clinics.

Call now for an appointment.
Your clinic is: Prospect School Dental Clinic
Phone: 8269 4579



CHICKEN SAUSAGE ROLLS

Oven: 180°C Cooking time: 35 minutes Makes: 40

Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup (60ml) milk
- 500g chicken mince
- 1/2 bunch parsley, roughly chopped
- 2 carrots, grated
- Salt and pepper
- 4 sheets puff pastry
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs, oregano, thyme,



Method

In a small pan, combine oil and onion, cook, over low heat until softened, cool 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, combine bread crumbs in a bowl with sausage mince, cooled onion, grated carrots, herbs and salt and pepper to taste.

Half the puff pastry lengthways and form logs of prepared sausage mince on the top; brush one edge with a little of the beaten egg. Roll pastry around mince to form logs.

Score lines across logs to form sausage rolls of desired length. Place seam side down on baking tray lined with baking paper. Brush with egg.

Cook 30-35 minutes or until golden brown and puffed. Cut rolls where score lines show the divisions. Serve with home-made tomato sauce.

Family Night – Centre BBQ and 'Meet the Educators' Wednesday March 29th 6.00pm – 7.30pm

A casual evening with BBQ and an opportunity to meet the Educators at our centre.

Educators will hold a talk in their rooms (15 minutes per room) and families will have opportunities for asking questions about our service across the evening.

Management Committee information available – a great opportunity to find out about our Not-for-profit service and how you can get involved.

Admin staff will be available to help you with any questions on your account, policies or CCB/CCR.



**A great way to find out more about
your child's time in our care and
education service.**

A few reminders:

- Please ensure you sign your child IN and OUT each day—this is a legal requirement to ensure you receive any entitlements to child care benefit and child care rebate. It is also very much a safety issue, especially in the event of an evacuation.
- Please ensure you notify admin (via email is fine) of any changes to contact details including collection authorities.
- All health forms—medication, allergies, additional needs -need to be renewed at a minimum every 12 months. This includes ongoing Asthma forms. It is also important to check expiry dates on any medication bought into the centre as we cannot give a child an expired medication, including an inhaler.
- Medication cups / syringes are to be supplied by the family. The centre CAN NOT provide these for you.
- Please notify the centre if a different person will be collecting your child, even if they are a nominated authority to collect.
- Please ensure when you are entering and exiting the centre you are not allowing any of the other children to follow you out.

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