DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday 20th May
Working Bee to build a chook run

Tuesday 22nd May:
Grandparents’ Morning at JCCC

Wednesday 23rd May:
Simultaneous Story Time
@JCS 9:30am – 12:30pm

Tuesday 5th June:
Pupil Free Day for Kindy and Care
Governing Council

Friday 8th June:
No school buses

Tuesday 19th June
Dietician Visit to JCCC & Healthy Lunchbox session

KINDY LUNCH DUTY

Week 3
Tuesday 8/5: Harry / Cassie
Wednesday 9/5: Courtney
Thursday 10/5: Mitch / Jesse

Week 4
Tuesday 15/5: Brooke / Abbey G
Wednesday 16/5: Lucy
Thursday 17/5: George / Zoe

Week 5
Tuesday 22/5: Ebony / Callan
Wednesday 23/5: N/A
(Teddy Bears’ Picnic)
Thursday 24/5: Darcy / Abbie M

PRESCHOOL AND CARE PROGRAM

May 8th 2012, Term 2 Week 3

The colder weather has seen us seek shelter indoors many times over the past few weeks! The children have enjoyed painting in the “Art Gallery” (the little gated room) and we have secured our full length mirror to the fence to encourage some “self portrait” painting. We also had fun making colourful pictures with ink dripped onto paper towel. We are making a photo book about our crop. So far we have photos of the wheat, barley and pea seeds and some “three weeks later” crops. This week we are germinating some left-over wheat, pea and barley seeds in snaplock bags taped to the window. Of course, we have also been making some lovely treats for mum in preparation for Mothers Day this Sunday.

UNSUITABLE FOODS

We would like to remind all families that nuts and foods containing nuts (e.g. hazelnut spreads) should not be brought to the centre due to their high allergy risk. Popcorn is also unsuitable for children under 4 as it poses a choking hazard.

GRANDPARENTS’ MORNING

As we are talking about ourselves and our families, we would like the children to invite their grandparents (or another relative) to visit them at Kindy / Care on Tuesday 22nd May. Please pop in any time between 9:00 and 11:30am, meet the staff at JCCC and join in some activities with your grandchild. Parents are welcome to come too!

TEDDY BEARS’ PICNIC

“SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME”

On Wednesday 23rd May, Kindy group “B” (Tuesday-Wednesday-Friday) children will be attending a Teddy Bears’ Picnic at Jamestown Community School to celebrate “Simultaneous Story Time”, a campaign organised by the Australian Library and Information Association, in which a picture book written by an Australian author is read simultaneously all around Australia. We will be joined by Bizzy Bugs, classes from JCS and St James’ and the Rhyme Time and Story Time group. Children will enjoy singing, craft and other activities and will read the story of “The Very Cranky Bear”. Kindy group “A” children are also invited but will need to be supervised by a parent/caregiver. All children will need a teddy and a healthy lunch. We would love to have a couple of Group B parents to assist on the day; please let Alison or Tegan know if you can help out.

WORKING BEE

We are holding a working bee on Sunday 20th May from 10:00am onwards to build a run for the chooks so they can return to JCCC. The working party will be led by Bob Case and Paul Couzner. We also have a few other jobs in mind, such as raking bark chips and painting the cubby. Please let us know if you are able to participate so that we can organise the task force. Please bring your own lunch; morning tea will be provided.
**Walk Safely to Kindy** promotes OPAL’s key message: *Think Feet First. Step, Cycle, Scoot to Kindy*

Support your Kindy by taking part in a Walk Safely to Kindy Day during Week 4 of Term 2.

**OUR WALK TO KINDY DAY IS TUESDAY 15TH MAY**

WE WILL BEGIN OUR “HAPPY FEET” PROGRAM WITH A GROUP WALK AROUND THE TENNIS COURTS AT 11AM. YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US!

Regularly walking, riding or allowing your child to scoot some or all of the way into Kindy establishes a positive routine that will become a healthy habit. Enjoy the extended catch up time and take pride in being a part of a national focus on keeping our kids active. OPAL’s aim is to improve eating and activity patterns of children, through families and communities in OPAL regions, ultimately increasing the proportion of 0 – 18 year olds in the healthy weight range.

*Supporting our community to eat well and be active*

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PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ARE HAVING A PUPIL FREE DAY ON TUESDAY 5th JUNE FOR STAFF TRAINING PURPOSES. THERE WILL BE NO CHILDCARE OR KINDY ON THIS DAY. PLEASE ADD THIS DATE TO YOUR DIARY. CARE PLACES MAY BE SWAPPED TO ANOTHER DAY IF PLACES ARE AVAILABLE. PLEASE CONTACT THE CENTRE TO ORGANISE THIS.

THREADWORM INFECTIONS

We have had a case of worms reported to the centre. Please refer to the fact sheet attached for information about the transmission and control of worms. In brief:

SYMPTOMS: can include itchy bottom, irritability and behavioural changes, but most people have no symptoms

INCUBATION PERIOD (time between becoming infected and developing symptoms): Symptoms become present when there are large numbers of worms resulting from repeated infections and may not occur until several months after initial infection


PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOUR CHILD HAS WORMS SO WE CAN ADVISE ALL FAMILIES TO BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR SYMPTOMS. YOUR CHILD’S NAME WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL WHEN ANY INFORMATION ABOUT AN OUTBREAK OF A COMMUNICABLE DISEASE IS GIVEN OUT.