

#### Welcome

Welcome to the August / September edition of the Cubbyhouse Newsletter.

We hope you find it informative. If you would like to see any additional information in our newsletter, please email me at

#### goscubbyhouse@amail.com

We would also like to take this time to welcome the new families that have joined Cubbyhouse recently, we look forward to developing a strong relationship with you.

Happy reading,

Maxine

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The photos are back and look fabulous. It was great to see all those gorgeous smiling faces. We hope everyone was happy with the photos and the service provided. Please feel free to email any feedback regarding the photos at goscubbyhouse@gmail.com



#### Suggestion box

Share your great ideas in our SUGGESTION BOX... We would love to hear some feedback or suggestions to make our services better. Our suggestions box is located on the white cupboard opposite the desks in the foyer.

"Play is
an active
form of
learning
that unites
the mind,
body &
spirit!"



Don't forget we are still selling worm wee made from cubbyhouse worms... gold coin donation to make your garden beautiful... Children need to PLAY to BE ADAPTABLE CONSTRUCT KNOWLEDGE PROBLEMLEARN CREATE SOLVE PROCESS EMOTIONS INTERNALISE EXPERIENCES DISCOVER CHALLENGE BE HEALTHY THEMSELVES LAUGH & HAVE FUN LEARN TO WORK IMAGINE TOGETHER LEARN TO LEAD EXPRESS EXPLORE SPEAK IDEAS DEVELOP READ MANAGE MIND WRITE STRESS PLAY MATTERS BECAUSE PLAY MATTERS BEAUSE PLAY TO COUNT BECAUSE PLAY TO WE TO THE MATTER TO THE MATTE

Don't forget our book library located in the foyer...

Borrow a book today and share it with your child/ren to support pre literacy skills.



#### STAFF HOLIDAYS

During the month of September I am having a family trip to the UK. I will be back at Cubbyhouse from October 4<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to this time away with my family and can't wait to return to share my adventures with you all.

In my absence Chrissy will be working Monday – Friday, please discuss any matters of additional days, fees and any other queries with Chrissy.



#### SECOND IN CHARGE

We would like to congratulate **Suzanne** on becoming the 2IC at Cubbyhouse. Suzanne is very professional, passionate, warm and welcoming.

Please see Suzanne in regards to any concerns regarding your children or staff in my absence.



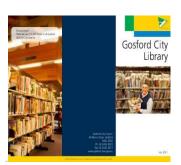
Lately we have been trialling some casual staff, in continuity of care for the children and families we prefer to have the same casual staff on a regular basis.

Chontelle Singh holds a Diploma In childrens services and has many years experience as an educator working with children of a variety of ages. Chontelle is also an expereinced Early Intervention Support Worker and is bringing a vealth of knowledge into Cubbyhouse when she attends. We look forward to working with Chontelle.

Danielle Barber is currently working towards her Diploma in Childrens Services. She is a passionate and enthusiastic worker. We look forward to supporting Danielle in completing her qualifications.







# **Upcoming events**

Attached to the newsletter you will find a copy of the New Gosford Cubbyhouse events calendar for July to December. It contains some great events to look forward to.





# POSSUMS



The possums have been busy with sensory investigation. In the indoor environment they have been exploring the new sensory wall and outdoors they have been investigating the sand, soil and different textures and scents of the herb garden.

# Wombats



The wombats have been investigating healthy food through the dramatic play kitchen area. They have been tasting a variety of foods and would like to thank Loic's family for the contribution of crepes and croissants for the French café. Dramatic play has been continued to be explored through a shop set up in the outdoor environment.



# A glimpse into our curriculum

# Kangaroos



The kangaroos have been investigating different homes following an interest from the children. They would love you to share a picture of your home so we can share the difference and similarities of our lives. We have extended this with our bushwalk and have been looking at different animal homes.



Do you love your teeth?

## Dental visit

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August, we will be having a visit from Albany Street Dental. They are very excited to be sharing their expertise with the children in regards to appropriate dental care. They will visit with our Wombat and Kangaroo children.

#### Do you have a talent to share?

We would love for you to come and share your talent or skill with us.

#### Can you

- Build with wood
- Speak in a different language
- Do traditional dancing
- Cook your home foods
- Have creativity
- Play an instrument

If so we would love you to spend a bit of time with us. Speak to your room educators to organise a time.

## Wanted.....



We are looking for donations of working cameras for a new project within the Centre our project is called

### "Through the children's eyes".

This will consist of the children taking photos of their day, demonstrating the importance of aspects of their day and their perspectives of a day at cubbyhouse... we will print these and then display them all in the foyer for an ongoing project.

# This month in the foyer...

## THIS MONTHS QUESTION

"Do you believe Cubbyhouse has nurtured strong family and community partnerships"

# We love to get your input

To answer the question opposite



Place a pebble or write comment

and place them in the yes or no jars provided on the wooden table in the entry.

## Scholastic Book Fair

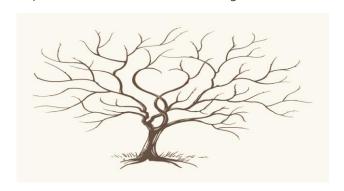
A fantastic range of books are on display in the foyer for purchase.

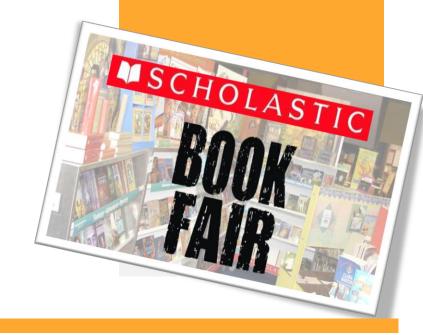
Each book is individually priced on the back and payments can be made by cash, cheque or money transfer to Cubbyhouse.

All purchases benefit us with a percentage of sales given back to Cubbyhouse.

# Strengths and ideas tree

We love your feedback; it helps us grow. We would love you to write a strength we have or an idea we should implement into our service and hang it on the tree.





## JUSTICE OF THE PEACE



Anne Gifford is offering her services as a JP to families. If you need documentation signed by a JP, Anne is happy to complete this for you.

Anne works Tuesday to Friday in the Kangaroos room, please speak to her regarding an appropriate time.