

Newsletter

We are close to half way through the year already! As the say, 'Time flies when you're having fun!'

Thank you all for a great first half of the year. We have so much going on right now and we have so much to look forward to!

THE RESULTS ARE IN...

Thank you to those who were able to take the time to fill out the online survey and give us some much wanted and needed feedback about your experiences with us in our new setting. The response was huge and overall very positive which was so lovely to hear. We also had some great suggestions that we have taken on board and even already implemented to help improve our service to provide high quality care.

GET WITH THE PROGRAM!

The program laptop will now be on in the mornings in each of the rooms which will be showcasing the slide show from the same day of the previous week. So if you come in on Wednesday morning it will be last Wednesday's program being displayed for you to view. We are hoping this helps with families who only do the drop off and not the pickup in the afternoon/evening to have that chance to have a look at the daily program themselves. If you ever wish for the program to be discussed, please just approach one of your child's educators and they would be more than happy to go through it with you. If it is Peta, our educational leader and Early Childhood Teacher that you wish to talk to, then please call the centre during the day between 9am-2pm so that you can have the chance to have a chat with her. She is always happy to share her knowledge and passion for our curriculum!

WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

We have also begun to display our weekly menu instead of just the daily menu book to help with planning your own meals for the week or just to know what will be served during each day of that week. As an added bonus, the 6 week rotating menu set has been scanned and attached to this newsletter along with the yearly calendar so that you can really plan ahead and know what meal will be served. We hope this is another way that we can openly communicate a part of your child's day while here at Cubbyhouse.

THE ROO'S ARE GOING ON ADVENTURES!

Our new excursions to our neighbours of the Senior's Centre have started. We are going to go every fortnight with a small group (no more than 10). This day was selected by the staff next door specifically so we cannot change or swap or add days unfortunately. So far the children and the clients next door have loved their time together! What a great way to help our local community and give both the children and elderly a chance to bond and learn from each other.

We had our first bush walk last Thursday too! Again, a handful of the kangaroos went up the path into Rumbalara to explore the wilderness. This week on Thursday, those that did not go on the excursion, will accompany their educators on the same walk (so make sure those good walking shoes are worn!). Again, the excursion was a HUGE success! Luckily we are not limited for when we can go so everyone will get a chance to experience our beautiful nature trails. We are so lucky to have access to these places that are close by.

HAVE YOU MET MAXINE AND KARRINA?

Maxine and Karrina have had a wonderful start to their time here at Cubbyhouse and have settled in well. They have been trying to introduce themselves to everyone but as you can imagine it is not an easy task especially when it is a busy time of day! So, if you have not had the chance to meet them yet please let us know so that we can formally introduce you.

FUN – DRAISING FUN!

Look out for our next fundraiser: Cadbury Chocolates! Coming your way SOON!

POSSUMS ON BROADWAY!

The Possums have been showing a big interest in music lately. It seems that they love to create their own sounds with anything they can get hold of. Our educators are also taking the opportunity to incorporate teachings of the different home languages we have in the room. 'Heads and Shoulders' is being taught in German!

THE WOMBAT'S NEW FRIEND - WALLY!

Our educators have introduced a room mascot — Wally Wombat! The children have been loving sharing their pictures and stories with their friends about the adventures they and their families have had with Wally. We can't wait to see what he gets up to next!

TIME TO SAY 'SEE YOU LATER'

I just wanted to say thank you to everyone for their kind and wise words in my last few weeks here at Cubbyhouse. My last day is Thursday so I hope to see everyone before there! So as of Friday, Maxine will be the official director/nominated supervisor. We have been able to spend these last 3 weeks going through everything and she is more than ready to take on this role and is very excited to! Her ideas already are just so inspiring and amazing! We are very lucky indeed. Thank you for your support and I look forward to introducing to you my newest edition in a few weeks' time! - Kate