Loxton Preschool Centre

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Coming Events

July

- Friday 2nd T/Th Group Preschool 8:30-12:30pm
- Friday 2nd Last day of Term 2
- Monday 5th-Friday 16th
 PRESCHOOL HOLIDAYS
- Monday 19th
 Term 3 Commences
- Friday 23rd
 M/W Group Preschool 8:30-12:30pm
- Tuesday 27th Governing Council Meeting 7:30pm
 - Friday 30th T/Th Group Preschool 8:30-12:30pm

August

- Monday 2nd Loxton Public Library visiting 9:15am
- Tuesday 3rd Loxton Public Library visiting 9:15am

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

LEARNING PROGRAMME

Last week and this week our programme has focused on Space and Flight, tying in with our PreLit text, 'How To Catch a Star' written by Oliver Jeffers.



We have turned the Home Corner into a Space Station. The children have enjoyed exploring and constructing space helmets, star constellations, milky way pictures, rockets, etc. They have flown paper planes and completed space themed puzzles.

In our PreLit Groups we have continued breaking words into syllables, placing words into parts and putting them back together, determining initial sounds and listening for rhyming words.









TAKE HOME ACTIVITIES

With this newsletter you will find lots of activities for you to work on at home with your children.

You will find the letter cards from this term so you can help your child learn, practise and revise them. There is a page of activities that you might like to use to make it a fun experience!

We have included two bags of numeracy activities with lots of ideas of different ways to use them.

We have also included your child's 'People I Can Trust' network diagram that they completed during Weeks 3 and 4 when we were particularly focusing on the Keeping Safe -Child Protection Curriculum. Please read the covering letter attached to it and follow it up with your child to help ensure their safety.

Thankyou so much for all your help to ensure our children receive the best start in life.



GREAT EXCITEMENT!!!!!

BUILDING EXTENSIONS AT FRONT OF PRESCHOOL OUT TO TENDER

Our long planned and awaited building programme for the front of the preschool, which includes a Reception area, additional room for small group work and office area, has been approved and is out to tender. We look forward to bringing the concept to a reality in the near future.

GOVERNING COUNCIL

Our next Governing Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 27th, commencing at 7:30pm at the preschool . All welcome.



PRESCHOOL AND SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

As our local schools have commenced planning for the 2022 school year please could you finalise your school enrolments for next year. Enrolment forms are available from each of the schools. Please could you let me know the school you have chosen for your child if you haven't already done so. Thankyou!

To help with **our** future planning please encourage your friends to lodge their **child's preschool enrolment** form for next year as soon as possible if they have a child who turns 4 before May 1st 2022. Round 1 offers will be made on Aug 1st. Please spread the word! I am also happy to take Enrolment Registrations of Interest for the following year. Thankyou.

STAFFING

Wendy Voigt completes her .4 contract here with us this week. Wendy has replaced Leanne Brooke while she has been on an extended holiday. We sincerely thank Wendy for her dedication and job well done! We are pleased that we will continue to see Wendy at Loxton Preschool in the role as temporary relieving teacher in the future. We look forward to Leanne's return next term and hearing all about her wonderful holiday.

FAREWELL FOR TWO TERMS

Last week I was notified of my appointment as Early Childhood Leader based at the Berri Education Office for Terms 3 and 4 while the current leader is on long service leave. In my role I will be supporting all the preschools in the Berri, Barmera, Renmark and Loxton districts. It is indeed an honour. However, it is very sad to be leaving our wonderful cohort of 2021 students and parents. I will certainly miss you all and thankyou for the absolute privilege of being able to get to know you and work together. I am very pleased that I will be still able to visit Loxton Preschool in my new role! The process for appointing my replacement in my absence is underway.

I wish you all the very best,

Mandy James Director























