



What's On At Preschool...

Term 2 Fees

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday:

Last Day of Preschool Term 2 (Crazy Hair Day!): Friday 6th July

School Holidays/ Vacation Care Program:

Start of Preschool Term 3:

Issued soon

Monday 11th June (Preschool & OSHC Closed)

Monday 9th - Friday 20th July

Monday 23rd July

Preschool T-shirt Orders:

Unfortunately we were not able to make the minimum order requirements so families will be unable to purchase preschool t-shirts this year.

Communication with Families

Communication with our families is extremely important to us at Bermagui Preschool and is one of the most effective ways for us to support each child's early learning and education. At Bermagui Preschool we achieve this by making sure teachers are available to talk to families each morning and afternoon, by documenting in our day book which is displayed in each room and by making learning visible through displays around each room. Newsletters, Facebook and our noticeboards are also available to let you know what is happening at Bermagui Preschool. Portfolios and developmental assessments are developed for each child, as well as Individual Learning Plans. Parent/ Teacher interviews are available by appointment each semester or as required. Emails and phone calls are also encouraged if you need further information. If you feel you need more information about your child and their day at Bermagui Preschool we would like to introduce a "My Day at Preschool" note. If you would like our Preschool teachers to provide this for your family, or would like any further information about your child and their experiences and learning at Bermagui Preschool, please see staff.

Lindsay's Maternity Leave and a Big Welcome to Robert

Throughout this term Lindsay will be easing into her maternity leave, with her officially leaving towards the end of this term. Rebecca will be taking over from Lindsay, starting with swapping shifts on Wednesday. In this way we know the Bungaree children will be supported and the transition of staff will be smooth.

We will also welcome Robert Connal who has joined our team to support our Preschool, Long Day Care and OSHC programs. Robert is a Diploma qualified Early Childhood Educator, with extensive experience in Early Childhood Education, including work at Little Yuin and Cobargo Preschools and Bandarra Children's Service in Bega. We would like to officially welcome Robert and also wish Lindsay and Josh warmest wishes for a happy and safe arrival of their baby.

Crazy Hair Day

Friday 6th July is Crazy Hair Day. This is a day to raise awareness of Cystic Fibrosis. For a gold coin donation we are encouraging children and families to wear crazy hair during the last week of preschool this term. For more information please visit www.crazyhair.com.au

Heath Update

It is that time of the year again when colds and flu are going around. Throughout the year, staff at Bermagui Preschool follow strict policies and procedures for health and hygiene. We work hard to minimise the chances of cross contamination of germs between children. One of the best measures to prevent cross contamination is effective hand washing. We ask that parents encourage their children to wash their hands on arrival and before departing Preschool, either in the Preschool bathroom or by using the hand sanitizer available in the locker area and the sign in/out desk.



Some of the other measures we use at Bermagui Preschool include:

- Cleaning and disinfecting bathrooms and play areas twice daily, and toys and equipment on a rotating basis or as required.
- Promoting healthy habits through group discussions, role modelling and activities which include hand washing, correct toileting, nose blowing, covering coughs with hands and elbows and eating at the table.
- Monitoring the children throughout the day to ensure they are appropriately attired, wearing hats and sunscreen.
- Asking parents to collect their child from Preschool if they are not well enough to attend and at risk of infecting other children.

Parents can help by talking to their children about these procedures at home. Please keep your sick child at home, in consideration of the other children and staff.

Also understand that despite our best efforts, children still catch colds and other infections, either at preschool, playgrounds, and supermarkets or from visiting friends etc. However it is an important process that allows your child to build up anti-bodies that will protect them as they grow older and interact with more people in a larger environment.

Scissor and Cutting Skills

Using scissors is a very complex task and requires good motor and planning skills (and of course supervision when working with Pre Schoolers!!!). Holding and using scissors helps to promote the hand skills that children need for optimal fine motor development and for efficient pencil grip.

We have been strategically teaching the children scissor and cutting skills at Preschool, focusing on correct grip and body position, opening and closing scissors, holding paper and lots of practise snipping, straight cutting and cutting around curves. Other activities that also help develop these same skills include tearing paper, finger puppets, playdough, hand and finger rhymes, threading beads and drawing. For further information or ideas on how to support emerging cutting skills, please see the display in the writing centre inside at Preschool or have a chat with Preschool staff.



New Child Care Subsidy

As we prepare for the new Child Care Subsidy replacing CCB and CCR in July, we have had to make changes to our billing software. You will now be receiving emails from HubWorks/HubHello for both the preschool and long day care families for fee statements and receipts etc. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to ask.

Fees

Fees for the term will be generated soon. Please note that Preschool fees need to be paid at the start of each term to allow your child to continue enrolment at Preschool. Non-payment of fees will result in your child's placement at Preschool being reviewed.

Please also note that payment is still required for non-attendance due to illness, travel, family commitments and/or other personal reasons. If your child is booked in for a day/placement in any of the Preschools Programs (including Preschool, Long Day Care, Before and After School Care and Vacation Care) fees will be charged and payment is required.

If you have any queries regarding fees or need to organise a payment plan to pay your fees, please see Kirsty. Thank you to all families who have paid their fees.

Bermagui AFL Auskick Starts Soon

Auskick is on again for all boys and girls between the ages of 4 & 8 years. On Thursday afternoons, starting at 3.45pm and finishing at 4.45pm at Dickenson Oval. Don't forget that when you activate your "Active Kids" voucher through Services NSW registration is free!

Call Jarrod on 0448 066 204 or register at AFL Auskick. All auskickers receive the AFL Auskick Pack after registering.

Greeting Card Fundraiser

Help raise money for Bermagui Preschool by purchasing a box of beautiful greeting cards. Alternatively, you may like to take a bag (6 boxes) of cards to sell to families or friends. All money raised goes to resources for our beautiful Preschool children. Thankyou for your support. Please see Preschool staff for further information.

\$10 for a box of cards

\$60 for a bag of cards.



Thank you

- Kelly at Eastwood's Deli and Cooking School for providing the most delicious afternoon tea for our Annual General Meeting.
- Debbie Elton for donating a lovely hobby horse to Preschool.

BUILDING FINE MOTOR SKILLS

- MANIPULATING PLAY DOUGH
- THREADING OBJECTS
- GETTING DRESSED UP WITH BUTTON/ZIPS
- COLOURING OR PAINTING BETWEEN LINES
- USING CLOTHES PEGS
- STRETCHING RUBBER BANDS OR LOOM BANDS
- PAPER FOLDING
- STACKING SMALL CUPS
- USING POP BEADS
- SQUEEZING SMALL GLUE BOTTLES
- PULLING OBJECTS OFF STICKY PAPER
- PICKING UP MARBLES
- PAINTING WITH COTTON BUDS
- TIGHTENING NUTS ONTO BOLTS
- WOOL OR YARN WRAPPING
- ARRANGING DOMINOES
- USING TWEEZERS OR TONGS TO PICK UP OBJECTS
- BENDING PIPE CLEANERS OR WIRE
- USING STAMPS ON PAPER OR PLAY DOUGH
- STACKING SMALL WOODEN SPOOLS
- TEARING PAPER
- USING LEGO
- HAND SEWING
- USING PAPER CLIPS
- USING SCISSORS
- TRANSFERRING WATER BEADS
- USING STICKERS
- PUSH PINS THROUGH PAPER
- SQUEEZING PAINT PIPETTES
- USING HOLE PUNCHES
- SQUEEZING SPRAY BOTTLES TO PAINT
- STACKING OR THREADING BUTTONS

ideas for play

