

Presidents' Report - Karen Munn & Alison Stansby

Welcome back to everyone from the Easter holidays - we are all now rested and looking forward to an action packed Term 2 at OPK.

On reflection, Term 1 was certainly a surprisingly busy one for the Executive Committee and Recruitment Sub-Committee and we would personally like to thank everyone involved for their commitment and dedication to the kinder.

So we are truly very happy to advise that **we have successfully recruited Heather Brooker to be the new Lead Teacher of our 3 year old group.** Heather is currently working part-time at Sandringham House (Firbank) as a Teacher's Assistant in Prep and has extensive experience in teaching 3 year old kinder groups. She is extremely passionate about teaching 3 year olds and very excited and enthusiastic to be joining the teaching team at OPK.

The exciting news doesn't stop there... Emma has announced that she and Duncan are expecting their first baby in November.

She has shared this news with the Red Group children who are all very excited to know that there is a baby growing in Emma's tummy!

Emma will be commencing maternity leave at the end of Term 3 and Angela will takeover in teaching Red Group in Term 4 as she has already established a great relationship with these children, making the transition to school a very comfortable experience for all. We will then recruit a new 4 year old teacher for Terms 1 - 4 in 2012.

On a social note we also look forward to our Winter Solstice evening on Friday 17 June and invitations will be distributed shortly, but put a date in your diary now. Volunteers will be required on the night to help set up and pack up so please help out if possible. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible! Should be a great night!

Kind Regards

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Kindergarten Photos 17th-19th May

Kindergarten group photos by
Tuesday's Child Photography

Red Group - Tuesday 17th May

Green Group - Wednesday 18th May
(possibly more on Friday 20th May)

Blue Group - Thursday 19th May

First Green Group Parents Dinner for 2011

Details:

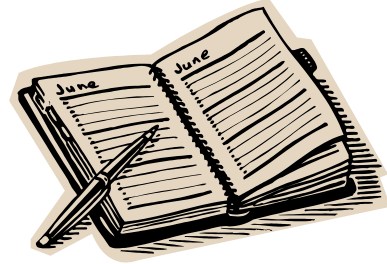
Date Thurs 12 May 2011
Time 7:00pm
Place Six Keys Restaurant, Keys
 Street, Beaumaris

RSVP Tues 10 May 2011

It would be great to see you all there!

Michele McNamara (Lily's mum)
Green Group Class Rep
Mob: 0407-529-499

Upcoming Dates



- Monday 13th June - Queens Birthday Holiday
- Friday 17 June - Winter Solstice
- Sunday 7 August - OPK Art Exhibition

Bayside Central Enrolment System

Please remember that if you need to enrol your children and/or siblings in either 3 year old or 4 year old for 2012 that you need to go through the Bayside City Council Central Enrolment System. There are application forms on the sign-in table at the kinder or you can go on to the Council website on www.bayside.com.au



Safety Reminder

- All children must be picked up from the carpet area/group area. Teachers will let the child know when they can leave with the right person.
- Older siblings cannot take children out of the centre.
- Younger siblings must be supervised in the kindergarten - especially before and after sessions.
- Your child's footwear should be appropriate for climbing and outdoor activity - thongs and crocs are not considered suitable.
- Please observe the Entry and Exit signs in the OPK car park.
- Please do not park on the road directly outside the kinder but respect the no standing signs.
- If you are unsure about the new laws for child restraints, you must visit

www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/childrestraints/



Hats at Kinder

Just a reminder that summer hats are not required at kinder during Terms 2 and 3 but it is a good idea to include a winter hat in their kinder bag now that the days are getting chilly.

Picking up your child

A gentle reminder to pick up your child on time! As you are aware there are following groups commencing most days. After some session's teachers attend network meetings, staff meetings, in-services, and professional development. They also need to continue programming planning and organising the learning environment.



Photos

A special visit from "Brum" in Red Group





Easter Egg Hunt - Red Group





"Discovery Night"

