

Seasons Greeting and Happy New Year 2019

From all the Staff and myself at Sunshine Kiddies Early Learning Centre, we thank you for your ongoing support for the upcoming New Year and look forward to continuing our work together throughout 2019. Wishing everyone a year filled with Happiness, Wisdom and laughter.

Happy New year 2019!



We would love to see and share your photos on what you did on new years eve so please forward your photos via story park so that we all can enjoy.....

Best Wishes

Sunshine Kiddies Early Learning Centre

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Key Dates for 2018

Centre is closed

1st Jan 2019 - Happy
New Years Day 2019

**5th of Feb 2019 Chinese
New Year**

**14th of Feb 2019
Valentines day**

**Remember to bring in
Pillow cases**

**Wednesday and
Thursdays Library**

Families

**-Thanks of Sharing
Family Photos
Please keep sending
them our family tree
is growing**

**Welcome to all the
new Families who
have joined us.**

**Open 6:30m-
6:00pm**

Quality Improvement Plan 2019

We need your help with our QIP, parent collaboration and partnerships are essential to assist on continually improving our centres quality education for your children. Information to assist us to complete or update our Quality improvement plan against the revised National Quality Standard. Can be directed by all the staff and myself. All new information will be updated in the plan and can be accessed any time.

Our policies are also being reviewed for the upcoming New Year 2019. These will be available for you to view any time, these are in the front foyer.

TIPS ON READING WITH YOUR CHILDREN

Find a quiet time during the day and turn off the TV and devices and read for half an hour with your child. Visit the local Library or borrow books from friends. Find time to look at old visual books that can introduce new words by repeating them. Arrange a family friend to send an email or letter to your children to be able to read it together and then by sending one back, written by your child. Discuss what is happening around you that will be interesting to read and most of all have fun.

Parents are welcome to add to our current menu plan and send in new recipes that we all can share.

JAN-FEB 2019

26 January 2019 Organisation: National Australia Day Council. Australia Day is a day to celebrate the past, present and future of the country.

1-28 February 2019 Organisation: Sustainable Living Foundation. The Sustainable Living Festival seeks to inspire and empower everyday Australians to accelerate their uptake of sustainable living.

1-28 February 2019 Feel Good Feb (FGF) is having the intention and taking the time to make others feel good during February and beyond. Do a kind deed for a stranger.

5 February 2019 The Chinese New Year falls on the first day of the Chinese calendar, and continues for 15 days. During celebrations people clean their houses to drive away the bad luck of the previous year. 2016 is the year of the Monkey.

13 February 2019 Organisation: National Sorry Day Committee (NSDC). Today is a mark of respect of the achievement that was the apology to the Stolen Generations, and a reminder to the broader public, to the country's politicians and policy makers, that sorry is more than a word.

14 February 2019 Organisation: HeartKids. HeartKids Australia is launching Sweetheart Day on 14 February to raise awareness of childhood heart disease.

National/State: National Notes: <https://www.ourcommunity.com.au/calendar>

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Our centre is dedicated in keeping our environment clean. We encourage all parents to bring in recyclable items for the children to use, reuse and recycle.

Pillow case: All families are requested to bring in an old pillow case with the children names for them to use

Tip of the day- how to reduce food waste at home try not buying more than you need. Make a shopping list before you go and do the groceries, buying enough for five to seven meal days.

Storing vegetables and fruits separately helps slow down the ripping time.

Graduation and Christmas Party 14th of December 2018

Farwell to our friends

We would like to thank all the Staff, Parents, Carers and friends who have supported us and assisted in the growth and development of all the children on the 14th of December 2018 and throughout the past year. During the opening precession the children walked in with their graduation gowns and hats ready to receive their awards. Later the children performed dances and songs for all the children and parents to watch. The children danced and sang along to "The goodbye song", "The Christmas song" and "The happy song". When the children finished this they then received some presents from Santa. Ending the evening with an open food buffet for all the parents, staff and children to eat.

The Graduating class of 2018 all gathered and cut the cake together with Miss Niven. We would like to wish on behalf of all Sunshine Kiddies a big Congratulations to Tayla, Jaskaran, Omar, Ioannis, Wesam, Zarifa and Saifan for graduating their last year of preschool, wishing them a future filled with knowledge and adventure.





SPINACH AND FETA PIES

Recipe by [Donna Hay](#)

Ingredients

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6 sheets filo pastry
40g butter, melted
250g frozen spinach, thawed
500g ricotta
2 eggs
1/3 cup (25g) finely grated parmesan cheese
1/4 cup finely chopped mint leaves
sea salt and cracked black pepper
75g feta, roughly chopped

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180°C (350°F).
2. Brush each filo sheet with butter and place one on top of the other.
3. Cut the stack of pastry sheets in half so you have 2 rectangles and place on baking trays lined with non-stick baking paper.
4. Squeeze the excess liquid from the spinach and place in a bowl with the ricotta, eggs, parmesan, mint, salt and pepper and mix to combine.
5. Divide the filling between the two pastries leaving a 5cm border.
6. Fold over the pastry edges to form a border.
7. Sprinkle the filling with feta.
8. Bake for 35 minutes or until pastry is golden and filling has set.

Notes: <https://www.lifestylefood.com.au/recipes/15166/spinach-and-feta-pies>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthdays to all the children, Amber, Hamish, Adel and Zayn in December 2018 and Sultan, Umair, and Tayseer in January 2019.

