



Term 2  
Is it hot?  
Is it cold?



## Welcome

Time for a quick update on how our second term went.

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## COORDINATOR'S MESSAGE

### Good day to All our Families

Our routine for the year is well established and our Kindy children are now very confident and involved.

Sadly we had to say Goodbye to Kardina as she moved off to enjoy coastal living on the Northern Beaches. Our new Educational Leader has been appointed and we will welcome Jacqui Bonser at the start of Term 3. Jacqui has a degree in Early Childhood Education and extensive experience in OOSC. We are looking forward to the fresh ideas she will bring to our Centre.

We continue to operate a wait-list for Monday to Thursday afternoons, we have space all mornings and Friday afternoons. As families change their requirements we offer sessions to the next family on the wait-list but unfortunately if we do not have a space available we cannot confirm a place.

We have a small fee increase commencing Term 3, this increase is in line with rising costs.

Once again we would like to thank the parents volunteering their time on our Parent Committee. We would especially like to thank Janelle Cowan for stepping forward to replace Carolyn Mead as Secretary. We fully appreciate that the pressures of work and home life are enormous in addition to volunteer roles and sometimes the balance needs resetting.

*We're looking forward to an enjoyable Term 3*

*Sonja*

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Our Term 2 Committee Meeting was held on Monday 19 June

Our next meeting is scheduled for 7pm on Monday 21 August

If you would like any further information please send us an email.

## LEARNING OUTCOME 2 CHILDREN ARE CONNECTED TO THEIR WORLD

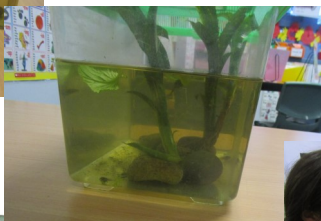
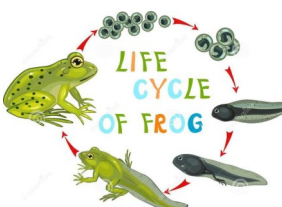


As children participate in their communities they develop their capacity for independence and self direction. Having a positive self identity and experiencing respectful, responsive relationships strengthens children's interest and skills in being and becoming active contributors to their world.



### Some Items from our Nature Diary

- \* brought in tadpoles for KE,
- \* planted roses,
- \* planted Flanders Poppies for Remembrance Day





## NEW ROUTINES

We continue with our 3 Afternoon tea groups—Kindy in the kitchen, Year 1 in the craft room and the older children in the Hall COLA. This system works well, it provides more opportunities for tea Helpers—a cherished position and gives us more opportunity for a chat about the day at school. It also gives us a chance to talk about our Yoobi behaviour topic of the day.

The Kindergarten Stage Teachers have requested that from Term 3 we allow the kindies to come directly to OOSC in the afternoon. Please remind your child in the morning to come directly to the Centre, put their bag away and come inside.

The responsibility of going safely to and from class yourself is a huge step forward and a boost to confidence



Cardboard boxes are the basis of many a creation and we would like families to bring in (or bring back!) empty small boxes, please ensure that the boxes have not contained any nut products. We would like small recycled items for craft such as xmas & birthday cards, lids from soft drink and milk bottles, ribbons, tubes (no toilet paper) egg boxes and recycled paper is always needed. If your office has any non-confidential paper for recycling please bring it in.

## Allergies & Asthma

Remember to update and inform us of changes in your child's medical needs, and make sure your Action Plan and medications have not expired

**SAVE THE DATE**  
We've booked  
**Friday 24th November**  
to the school calendar for our year end party  
Details to follow in Term 4



## DROP-OFF, COLLECTION & NOTIFICATION OF ABSENCE

### Mornings

Many thanks for noting our start time of 7.30 and giving staff time to prepare rooms before entering in the morning. Remember—if your child is NOT attending OOSC but going straight to class you may not sign them in on our register. Keep in mind that after 42 absences in the Financial Year, Centrelink may adjust your rebate.

### Afternoon

All children must come directly to OOSC when the school bell has rung, please discuss this with your child, we sign each child out to extra-curricular activities and check and sign their return to OOSC. Once again, if your child is going straight home and will not attend OOSC they may not be signed out on the register, but will be marked as absent.

**A reminder**—if a brother or sister under 18 yrs. is collecting your child we require a letter to hold in our files. Anyone unknown to our staff will require photo I.D. and written notification from a parent.

### Absence

Unfortunately we repeat this point in every newsletter, but we are still having far too many unexplained absences. Please notify our office if your child will be absent. Staff are spending a huge amount of time calling parents. We will place a fine of \$10 on your account every time we have to call to check if a child has been taken home or was absent from school. We must also emphasize that **IT IS NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF WEST PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION TO INFORM US OF ABSENCES.**



Some of the children were lucky enough to catch Mr Docking for a final goodbye as he headed to his car

## We joined in with the WPPS fundraiser on pyjama Day



Goodbye, Au Revoir, Tot ziens, Newatha Hamuvemu, Aavjo, Do zobaczenia, Auf Wiedersehen, Arriverderci, Namaste, Zàijiàn, Selamat tinggal, Adios, Sayonara, Do vstrechi, Do pobachennya, Shalom (Apologies for not using regionally correct characters)



### A Word from our Educational Leader

I'd like to say Goodbye to all our Children & Families. I've enjoyed my time at WPOOSC and will miss you all.

Kardina



### ACCOUNTS

All accounts are sent at the end of Week 2 of each term.

Payment is due in full by Week 4. Term 3 accounts will be emailed by Monday 31st July with payment due by Friday 11th August.

Emails come from our billing system HUBWORKS. If you have not received your emailed account please come and see us, please don't leave it until the account is overdue.

If you need to prepare a payment plan please see Sonja de Jong.

### OFFICE TIME & ENQUIRIES

We are generally happy to see you when you bring in and are collecting your child but at times we may be busy with other duties, so for a quick chat we can usually help you but for any issues that require a longer discussion please call and make an appointment.

Please avoid coming in the 10 minutes before school when we are busy with kindy group time as it is very distracting for the children and also just after the end of school bell we are focused on getting the children signed in and serving afternoon tea.