**Curriculum**

**WELCOME** back everyone, with a special welcome to the 13 new children & families who are going us this term, as part of our kindergarten community.

One of our site priorities this year is to explore the variety of ways we can support & extend the children’s learning through technology. This links well with our regional priority of supporting 21st century learners and the new national Numeracy & Literacy strategy.

We are looking forward to the arrival of the Interactive Early Learning Centre (whiteboard) this term and the learning opportunities we can create.

**FACEBOOK**—Marie has set up a Facebook page for our kindergarten, allowing easy sharing of information, kindy updates, reminders and so on. As it is a ‘closed group’, for safety purposes, families will need to send a request to join.

Here’s the link to our page and the QR code:

www.facebook.com/groups/266765040127318/

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**TERM DATES**

**Term 2 2013**

29/4/13—

Please note Friday morning sessions—

**Mon/Tues** group attend
Friday 8.45-11.45am
week 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

**Wed/Thurs** group attend
Friday 8.45-11.45am
week 2, 4, 6, 8, 10

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**LOST PROPERTY**

Thank you for your prompt payment of kindy fees—we are a non profit organisation & rely on these fees to pay the bills.

Kindy fees : $120/term, inclusive of the $20 fundraising levy.

Please speak to Marie or Kathy if there is a problem with payment.

Individual invoices will be placed in your child’s pocket (on the front verandah wall) this week.

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Term 2 week 1 2013 Kathy, Marie, Amanda, Beccy, Deanna, Di, Paula
**KINDY T SHIRTS & HATS**

We have a few kindy hats & t-shirts available for sale—$10 for hats & $12 for t-shirts, in a range of colours with the kindy logo on the front. As lots of learning is both fun & messy, these are a great investment in protecting your children’s regular clothes while they enjoy the benefits of art experiences, and sensory experiences, such as water & sand play. See staff asap as we only order once per term.

**PARENT HELP**

Thank you very much to all the parents who helped enthusiastically with our end of term kindy clean, washing, sorting, disinfecting—a great effort, very much appreciated.

Hamish exploring patterning and visual literacy, on our new laptop style blackboards.

**GOVERNING COUNCIL**

We look forward to meeting new families who are joining us at this term’s governing council meetings 1.30-2.30pm, Friday afternoons, twice a term. Please see staff for further details.

Friends Daniella & Belce having fun interacting and painting together.

**REMINDEERS**

**SCHOOL ENROLMENT**—Local schools have contacted us recently asking us to emphasise the importance of completing an enrolment form for your child, to ensure they have accurate figures to assist their staffing application process & ensure they have adequate staff in place when your children begin. Schools also have school tours regularly—phone & check for upcoming dates.

**MEDICAL CONDITIONS**—As part of effective management of medical conditions, please confirm with staff your completion of required forms eg for asthma, allergies etc. Medication must be brought in to staff (not stored in children’s bags) & stored safely with medication/treatment forms. Please check your medication is within it’s use by date & clearly labelled.

**SNACKS & LUNCHES**—Please ensure children’s snacks & lunches are healthy & NUT FREE. We have a number of children with life threatening allergies to nuts, which can lead to anaphylaxis, the use by staff of an epi pen & calling of an ambulance. Thank you for your care in helping keep all children safe.

We are very pleased with the newly installed reverse cycle heating & cooling, funded through the $11,850 DECD Funding Maintenance Grant—what an improvement, and just in time for the cooler, wetter weather.

Max created his own ‘cave painting’ after learning about Indigenous art, during the talk Anya’s mum, an Art gallery staff member, gave recently.