

# Pre-Kindy Newsletter

## Term Four Week 3

Dear Parents

The children have happily settled into term four and have been busy playing and exploring our new areas in the classroom. This term we have introduced a "Talking Tub", on the topic of "Baby and Being a Big Kid". The idea of the talking tub is to promote oral language and provide a stimulus for further learning and development of a variety of concepts based on the children's needs and interests. The topic of baby and now has been chosen as the children are very interested in playing babies! Last week we explored the talking tub and had a turn each pulling out an item and talking about it. The most interesting item seemed to be the baby change mat, where children really enjoyed changing the "baby's nappy" and even tried to put the nappy on themselves! This week we are now sorting items according to what we used when we were a baby and to what we use now. Along with the talking tub comes the "floorbook", where children's thoughts and ideas are recorded. This book is available in the book corner to look at and read with your child.

To further explore this concept of change, can you please send in a photo of your child when they were a baby and a recent photo. This can be either emailed to me, or printed out (no bigger than A4 for both pictures combined). If you could do this by next week would be great!

In addition to looking at how we have changed since we were a baby, we are also exploring shapes in our environment. We have had a walk around the school looking for shapes and realised there are so many rectangles around! On the craft table we are creating collages with the "shape of the week" and are identifying what is same and different about the shapes. Be sure to come and look at these collages when you are in the class this week.

As the weather is getting warmer (well we hope it will) please remember to keep hats in pigeon holes, drink bottle each day and to apply sunscreen before school.

There are still many opportunities to help out on Parent Roster this term. We will also need helpers towards the end of the year for the help with cleaning.

### **Christmas Morning!**

You should have all received an email from Sally regarding our Pre-Kindy Christmas morning on the 6<sup>th</sup> December, the information on the email was:

On the morning of the 6<sup>th</sup> of December Pre Kindy will be putting on a small Christmas concert. Following this we will be having a morning tea and Father Christmas and some other special guests will be visiting. If you could each bring a plate of food (sweet for girls, savoury for boys) and also a small book wrapped and labelled with your child's name, to go into the Santa sack to be handed out to the kids. If you can either hand this to either myself or Sally over the next couple of weeks. Parents are welcome to stay for the morning tea.

Many Thanks

Pre-Kindy Team

