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THE BUZZ

HOLLAND PARK KINDERGARTEN'S OFFICAL NEWSLETTER

Director's Report

The last month has seen the children at HPK engage in many learning opportunities that follow their ideas and curiosities, as well as opportunities to engage in social situations. This was also highlighted in our recent Prep readiness session; "having well developed social skills also leads to improved mental capacity and cognitive abilities, as well as good overall mental health."

The children are all on a journey towards transitioning to school, whether that be this year or the next one. As Educators we value the importance of giving children the opportunities, time and space to develop their social competencies. For some of us social situations are "Our thing!!" For others they can be tricky to navigate and feel like you are on a roller coaster ride. At kindy we support our children through tricky times and acknowledge the efforts each child is making. Our educators scaffold each individual child to develop social skills that will help children to form positive relationships, have conversations, develop body language, cooperate, share and play together. One of our favourite things to hear is "Do you want to play with me?"

Both groups continued to develop our children's understanding of how to keep themselves safe, what is and isn't ok and who are people they can trust. Child Protection is not just 1 week and it is everyone's responsibility to help protect children. We have embedded this topic through conversations, books and songs

IMPORTANT DATES

Working Bee

Thank you to our volunteers. Many hands definitely made light work. The next playground clean up is on **Sun 29th Sept at 8:30am.** Please bring blowers if you have one

Term 4 starts back

Kookaburras: Mon 30th Sept Geckos: Wed 2nd Oct

Grandparent's Morning

Kookaburras: Tues 15th Oct 9-10:30 am Geckos: Fri 18th Oct 8:30-10am

Parent Enrolment Info night for 2025 Families

Wednesday 23rd October

End of Year Concert

Kookaburras: Tues 3rd Dec 3:30pm Geckos: Thurs 5th Dec 5:15pm

Last day of Kindy

Kookaburras: Tues 10th Dec Geckos: Thurs 12th Dec



OLLAND PARK KINDERGARTEN ENGAGING HEARTS AND MINDS

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VIP night was a huge success, thank you to everyone who attended. It was lovely to see how engaged VIPs were with their child. As Educators we value these events and the connections children make with the person who takes the time to attend these events with them. A few children have asked us when the next one is!!

The Parent information night that we hosted with Mott Park was a valuable session in regards to helping your child have a successful transition to school. I will add some of the tips to the next newsletter as parents may find a things useful to do with their child especially over the Christmas holidays.

Other highlights from this month included Book Week, incursion with Indigenous Insights, Father's Day, yoga, seasons and origami.





Transition Statements

The Transition statement process has begun. So far parents have been asked to complete Consent form 1. In early term 4 parents will be asked to write a short (600 character) paragraph about their child. This might include your child's likes, learning styles, any tips for transitioning in to school, something they are looking forward to about school etc. This process will continue next term with the aim to have these completed mid November.

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We celebrated Early Childhood Educator Day. It was lovely to see how the children were excited to acknowledge and thank our two wonderful Educators, Gill and Benita. I'm sure everyone in our community would be able to think of at time when our Educators have shown kindness and nurtured the children of our kindy. Thank you Gill and Benita.

Thank you our Grant Officers, Clem and Leslie, who have been successful in another grant application. We have purchased sensory equipment and extra resources that the children have already enjoyed using throughout their kindy days. We continue to acknowledge that throughout the day children may need opportunities to self-regulate and we endeavour to support the children appropriately.





DFE

SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

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Finding activities on the school holidays that don't break the

bank can be hard! Join us for this free afternoon of fun in the spring sunshine