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Love Kids Early Learning Centre

LOVE KIDS CHADSTONE 2010

Greetings Parents & Friends!



February is shaping up to be a busy month for us here at Love Kids. Among the many activities planned we will be celebrating Valentine's Day and Shrove Tuesday with a pancake breakfast! Please read on to see further details!

Centre Availability

We have days available in most of the rooms. These days are available from 1st February 2010. Please see Victoria if you require any extra days as casual or permanent bookings.

Room/ Days	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Joey's	*	*	*	*	*
Koala's					*
Wallabies	*				*
Bilbies		*			
Possums			*		*

* Indicates availability on that day
 Please Note: These vacancies do change daily.

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Disabled Car Park
 Parents this car park is

Can YOU help?

This month we are also calling upon all of your talents and asking parents, grandparents, friends or sibling who might have a talent which they would like to share with us to do so throughout the year. Do you sing, dance or tell a great story? Can you paint? Tell a good joke? We would like to give you the opportunity to become involved with the centre and your child by coming to join us for 10 minutes or 2 hours. The children love your involvement and love to share in your talent. Please see your room leader or Victoria to organise a time!

Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY

Fri 12th – Chinese new year celebrations. The children will be helping to make Chinese dragons and lanterns.

Sun 14th – Valentine’s Day

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Mon 15th - Valentine’s Day Celebrations – Card making day

Tues 16th –Shrove Tuesday- Pancake breakfast. Parents your welcome to join us for a pancake breakfast.

Tues 23rd - Parent information Night. We will be holding a parent information night, where parents can learn more about the educational programs we offer within the centre.

MARCH

Tues 2nd –Business clean up day Australia

Mon 8th – Labour Day – Centre Closed

Mon 8th –International Women’s Day

Wed 17th – St. Patricks Day – Green Day. Come dressed in green to celebrate St Patrick’s Day.

Fri 26th – Teddy Bears Picnic – Come along with your favourite teddy, for our annual Teddy Bears Picnic

strictly for disabled parking. We do have parents within this centre that require the car park **So please, do not park there!**



Joey's Room News



Hi Everyone,

The first month of year has come to the end with our new babies settling in very well. We know it has been a little tough at times for parents to leave their cuties for the first time away from them, but we think we have provided your cuties with much love and care.



During the month we have been concentrating on getting to know the children and understanding their routine to make them comfortable in our care. We do understand it is a new environment for them. Also we have been having indoor and outdoor playtime which most of our babies enjoyed, getting along with their new friends and sharing their cute smiles with us as well as other room carers.

Also you will notice we have a student in our Babies room, Sathvinder who will be with us until end of February doing her placement for the Certificate III.

Just a few reminders for parents:

- Please label all your child's belongings.
- Can I encourage you to take home your child's drink bottle to give it a thorough clean everyday
- If your child requires medication please remember to fill out the medication booklet. (This includes ALL types of medication)
- If you may think that your child needs Panadol please ensure that you send it with your child in their bag. As the centre does not have Panadol on its premises.

Again if there are any queries or concerns please feel free to approach or call us at any time.



Hasanthie and Ranji



OPEN SHUT THEM SONG WORDS

Open shut them, open shut them
Give a little clap
Open shut them, open shut them
Put them in your lap
Apart together, apart together
Give a little clap
Apart together, apart together
Put them in your lap

I raise my hands oh so high
I bring them down and now they're low
I raise my hands oh so high
I bring them down and now they're low
My hands are high, my hands are low
My hands are high, my hands are low

My hand is a bird flying high
The bird flies down and now it's low
The bird flies up and now it's high
The bird flies down and now it's low
My hands are high, my hands are low
My hands are high, my hands are low

Open shut them, open shut them
Give a little clap
Open shut them, open shut them
Put them in your lap
Back and forward, back and forward
Give a little clap
Back and forward, back and forward
Put them in your lap

Koala's Room News



Hello again from the Koalas Room for the month of February☺

This month the children have been enjoying playing with the bead frames, dolls, home corner, stacking toys, hand puppets, dinosaurs and blocks, book corner, dancing and doing lots of art work that we are putting up around the room to make it look great☺

We have also been playing outside lots as the weather has been nice. The children have enjoyed playing in the sandpit and on the bikes. These activities are good for the children's gross motor development.

Our group goals are for the children to develop physical skills through gross motor activities, for the children to experiment with verbal and non verbal communication and for the children to develop meaningful and respectful relationships with others.

We are all having lots of fun getting to know each other and settling into our new environments.

Regards
Jodie, Ranji and Jacqui

Wallabies Room News



Dear Parents,
Hello and welcome again to the Wallabies room. The last few weeks have gone very fast and the Wallabies have enjoyed learning numbers, colours, art and craft.

Now we have started to do our Australian day activities. They have been painting and pasting and enjoy doing them, they really love it and this makes them really excited.

Our goals for the Wallabies are to develop independence skills through the routine.

We are having a great time in the Wallabies and hope to have more too

Regards,

Nirosha, Janet, Michelle.



The Wheels on The Bus

The wheels on the bus
go round and round,
round and round,
round and round.
The wheels on the bus
go round and round,
all through the town.

The wipers on the bus
go Swish, swish,
swish;
Swish, swish, swish;
Swish, swish, swish.
The wipers on the bus
go Swish, swish, swish,
all through the town.

The horn on the bus
goes Beep, beep,
beep;
Beep, beep, beep;
Beep, beep, beep.
The horn on the bus
goes Beep, beep,
beep,
all through the town.

BILBIES ROOM NEWS



Dear Parents,

Welcome once again to the Bilbies room,
Over the last few weeks, the bilbies have been getting used to settling in and also getting to know some of the new comers and have soon made friends with each other.

Recently the Bilbies have been doing a lot of activities for Australia Day, they have been pasting and painting and enjoy doing so.

Our goals for the Bilbies are; To Follow directions and routine tasks,

To foster the development of self esteem and self concept and develop a positive self image,

To have fun and enjoy them selves.

Regards,
Gwen & Mary Anne.



**BAA BAA
BLACK SHEEP**

Baa, baa, black sheep,
Have you any wool?
Yes sir, yes sir,
Three bags full.

One for my master,
One for my dame,
And one for the little
boy
Who lives down the
lane.

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Possums Room News



Dear Parents,

We hope that all children and families have felt welcome in the Possums Room. Most children have settled in well, learning everyday about their new room environment and developing trusting relationships with old and new friends, as well as staff. It is still in the early days so please give your children some time to settle into their new routine.

We have given out Information forms for all Possums parents to fill out and return as soon as possible. Please do so and if you have not received one, ask either Kumin or myself for a copy. This form helps us get to know your child and family as well as long term goals hopefully to be achieved by the end of the year.

I would also like to remind parents to bring in a FAMILY PHOTO for our family wall in the room. From previous experiences, children enjoy looking at the family wall and discussing this with friends. The family wall creates a strong sense of belonging for both families and children.



We have an activity called the "Show Bag". All children get a chance to bring the bag home and back with 3 special items. There will be a note attached to the bag to help you with your choices

(toys excluded). This experience of children presenting their items to the whole group is one of encouragement with self-esteem and in expanding their verbal communication skills.



We are developing our self help skills everyday through experiences in the room and gaining more independence by directing/choosing our own learning play and trying before asking for help with anything in the room. Children also learn to pack up after their play in the focus areas so that the room continues to look tidy and appealing for other peers to play after them.



We are continually developing our patience and learning more about our body during relaxation. We learn to relax our bodies as a whole, our muscles and are learning that even our brain needs some rest time. We do candle watching, play a game of "Still Fish" and some yoga from a children's book of yoga moves.



TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE STAR SONG WORDS

Twinkle, twinkle, little
star
How I wonder what you
are
Up above the world so
high
Like a diamond in the
sky
Twinkle, twinkle, little
star
How I wonder what you
are!
When the traveller in the
dark
Thanks you for your tiny
spark
He could not see where
to go
If you did not twinkle so
Twinkle, twinkle, little
star
How I wonder what you
are!
In the dark blue sky you
keep
And often through my
curtains peep
For you never shut your
eye
Till the sun is in the sky
Twinkle, twinkle, little
star

Possums Room News (cont.)

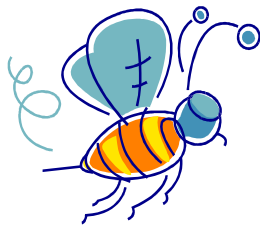
We enjoy lots of outdoor play during great weather. We are learning that the same limits apply for outside play as with inside play. We get to use much of our gross motor skills for play such as cycling, climbing, balancing, running and digging in the sand pit. Parents are reminded to bring in a Sun Smart hat for your child and a water bottle. Both needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name as so we do not lose them and can find both if misplaced in another room.



Please be notified that Parent/Teacher Meetings will be moved to the end of March to give your children a bit more time to settle in and open up to their new room environment. I will be on leave from the 12th of February and back on the 1st of March. During this time, another qualified staff member will be in the Possums with Kumin and carrying out the programs as usual.

Cheerios,
Hanny & Kumin

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Kids Health Information
Insect Bites and Stings



Family Information
Fire Ready Fact Sheet

