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STAVERTON KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER

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TERM ONE MARCH 2020 *keeping you up-to-date with everything kindy!*

Welcome breakfast huge success!

Everyone had fabulous time at the Welcome Breakfast on Saturday February 10th!



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Saturday 10 June OPEN DAY

Please help us to spread the word by inviting potential families to come and have a look at our Kindy from 9-11am on that day. Its a wonderful event to showcase the Kindy to new parents and allow families to come and purchase some delicious cakes from our Cake Stall - we will be asking parents to help with a cake stall on the day, information to come shortly.

Friday 16 June COMMUNITY LANTERN PARADE

This is a lovely evening aimed at 3-5 year olds. The Children will all make lanterns in class for you to take to the event.

A message from the President

Welcome back to 2nd term at Staverton. I hope all our families had a lovely Easter after some wild weather brought term one to an early close. Unfortunately cyclone Debbie did leave her mark on the kindy with some water finding its way in through some of the older roofing and into the back of Mrs Beutel's / Ford's room. We are currently in the process of organising some works to replace the leaky part of the roof to ensure the old homestead stays ship shape for many years to come. On a more positive note the easter break saw the laying of the new softball grass for the children to play on.

Term two is always a very busy time at the kindy featuring both the Gala dinner, Mothers night and Open Day. We have had some wonderful support from many of the local businesses in donating some fantastic raffles, prizes and auction for the Gala. Please see our Gala supporters below. A very sincere thank you to these businesses for their generous support.

I hope everyone enjoys this term.

Regards

Jean Ling, President



Staverton Kindergarten Chelmer has been nominated in the 2017 Australian Family Early Education and Care Awards in the category of **Early Childhood Service of the Year!**

Directors Report

Welcome back to term 2 at Staverton. We have hit the ground running with lots of things happening in and around the kindy. All rooms are a hive of activity with ANZAC commemorations, Mothers night celebrations and class explorations in full swing. We have visits from Playball, Sam Derchie presenting Ananse Stories and White Ridge Barnyard animals coming this term.

Community Lantern Parade

On Friday the 16th of June all local kindys will be invited to take part in the Community Lantern Parade. This is a lovely evening aimed at 3-5 year olds. The children will all make lanterns in class for you to take to the event.

CPR

The kindy staff all completed their CPR training this week. They also attended a Perpetual Motor Planning training run by CDN. There were some great ideas on how to get children moving and helping children to develop skills for them to achieve their best at school. The staff continue to look at our Quality Improvement Plan and work to provide a high quality early childhood educational experience for the children.

Staverton Series

We have had 2 very popular Staverton Series so far this year. On the 21st of June Kate Kleinau, an Occupational Therapist of Synchrony OT will be presenting information on important precursory skills for prep readiness such as muscle tone, hand domination, hand strength, pencil grip, scissor skills and sensory processing. Thank you to Emma Hartnett for organising these events.

Website

Please take the time to browse the website. Andy Ling, our Web Manager has been working on updating it over the past term. It looks great and there is lots of great information on there. Do you like us on Facebook? This is a great way to receive reminders about what is happening at the kindy as well as receiving some helpful hints and notices of events in the area. Thank you Jean for keeping everyone well informed.

We look forward to all the exciting things that will continue to occur this term!

Kate Beutel, Director



Thank you!

Thank you to Jenna Bruderlin for co-ordinating the Peppa Pig Movie fundraiser over the holidays. The event raised over \$200 which we used to purchase some new classroom resources. Thank you to all the families that took part in this fundraiser. We look forward to the next holiday movie!

Thank you to Zana Joseph, Renee Wilkins, Vicky Webster and the parent volunteers that helped put the Disco together at the end of last term. It was a great night and everyone looked to be having a wonderful time.

Our major fundraiser was on the 6th May, and I would like to say a special thank you to Zana for coordinating the event and to Mary Louise Rowell a past parent who is helping her bring it together. Also to Jo Armstrong, Renee Wilkins, Jean Harvey, Katharine Malone and Vicky Webster for their help with sourcing prizes and promoting the event. To all parents who purchased tickets, and came to the event, I hope you had a chance to make new friends and to reconnect with old!

A huge thanks to all the volunteer families from the Kabarla group who took part in the term 1 working bee. You had the centre and yard looking spick and span, as well as ticking off many of the jobs on the staff wish list. Working Bees are a vital part of the running of the kindergarten and each term we require a class to help to ensure our kindy continues to look great. Thanks in anticipation to the remaining 3 classes for their assistance at their class working bee. Walan is this term. Thank you to Tom Hemsteidt and Scott Jackson for their efforts with replacing the step on Unit 1 side and also the double gate over the holidays.



...and thank you everyone...

- For such a happy, friendly and thoughtful Term 1. We know working as partners (parents, committee and staff) we will provide the best kindergarten experience for the children.
- For continuing to share information about your child with us. Please remember to keep us in the loop and share any information with us about your child, family happenings etc. All this information helps us plan appropriately for your child.
- For sharing with us any details on your child's enrolment form (ie. contact numbers, address, emergency contacts, immunisations, new allergies or medications) that change throughout the year. It is important to keep every child's records up to date.
- For sending such healthy snacks and lunches to kindergarten with your child.
- For letting your child recover at home when unwell. A sick child at kindergarten is miserable and spreads infection. If your child is absent from kindergarten please inform your child's teacher, particularly if your child's illness is due to an infectious disease as well as sending an email to your teacher and the main admin email – admin@staverton.com.au if your child becomes unwell after your child's kindy week as the teaching staff may not check their emails on their non work days.
- For sending your child to kindergarten with appropriate spare clothes. As the weather gets a little cooler ensure to pack some warmer clothes in case of accidents.
- For sending in your reusable items. At kindy we love to recycle and the children are great at turning trash into treasure. We ask our families to please collect boxes and containers, paper towel rolls, cereal boxes, ribbons, fabrics and other interesting items you may have around the house. So before throwing something out, check with your child's teacher to see if they can use it. Children create amazing things.

Gallery



Staverton Series



Dealing with an anxious child

Presented by Dr Peta Lilley, Clinical Psychologist, CEO & Founder of Lilley Place

We are lucky to have had Peta speak before and she presented a fascinating talk on anxiety - how to support children of all ages, what's typical and when to seek help, tips for parenting.

Although Peta focused on kindy age children, she also covered younger and older children in her presentation. There were plenty of questions and answers at the end blah blah blah.....!!!!



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