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# STAVERTON KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER

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TERM TWO | MAY2022

keeping you up-to-date with everything kindy!

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners - the Jagera people and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

## Welcome to Term 2, 2022!

Our little ones are forming friendships and participating in a fantastic a range of activities thanks to our teaching staff - from caring for the garden and messy play, to dancing, singing and learning important life skills like making pretend coffee and tea in the sandpit (hopefully parents and caregivers benefit from this in future!).

There are many opportunities to get involved in kindy life this term. Help keep our kindy clean and in good working order at the Gungun and Gwala working bee on Sunday 15 May, keep an eye out for details of our plate fundraiser soon, and join the fun at our Movie Night on Saturday 11 June.



## Staverton Family Updates

This term we welcome back Mrs. Kate Beutel to Kabarla class. It is wonderful to have her cheery smile at kindy again, and we hope you had a relaxing holiday, Kate!

We also farewell the wonderful Mrs. Lee-Anne Harvey as she makes the move to be closer to her family. Lee-Anne will be missed by students, staff, and families. We wish her all the very best for the future and thank her for nearly two decades of dedication, service, and friendship. [Read more about Lee-Anne's retirement on our blog.](#)



## Message from the President

by Anastasia Kostellar

Welcome to our second newsletter for 2022! I want to start by thanking our wonderful Fundraising Team for hosting such an incredible Welcome Breakfast on the last week of Term 1. It was so lovely to finally invite families to enjoy our beautiful grounds to share the morning together. The entertainment, food and goodie bags were all amazing and so well thought out. I am looking forward to our next big fundraising event, being the [Movie Night](#) and I know the team is working hard to perfect every detail. Please keep a lookout for details coming soon.

It's been a busy start to the term with the announcement of Lee-Anne Harvey's retirement. After 18 wonderful and dedicated years as an educator with us at Staverton we are all sad to say goodbye to Mrs. Harvey. Her friendly face, enthusiasm, and love for the kids has been second to none and we thank her for being such a dependable and hard-working part of our team. Mrs. Coombes kindly collected some comments from the children about Mrs. Harvey:

- **"I like playing games with Mrs. Harvey, she's funny." - James**
- **"I like her, we play monster trucks." - Simon**
- **"I love her when she has fun in the rain." - Cordy**
- **"Mrs. Harvey is young, not like really old. She is a bit young and a bit old. I like her because she's really funny." - Harry B**
- **" I love her, she pushes me on the swing." - Jessie**

Safe to say, she will be very much missed by all, but we wish her well for a happy and healthy retirement. We will celebrate Mrs. Harvey's 18-year milestone and retirement at a kindy morning tea, 9:30-10:30am on Friday 13 May.

I want to give a big thank you to our Vice President Michelle Perry for all her hard work over the last few months in finalising the Enterprise Agreement for the kindy. This was an unfamiliar task that the Executive Team faced at the start of the year and Michelle took it on and did such an amazing job. It involved a lot of work organising ballots, holding meetings, and liaising with the teachers and the unions to get everything submitted on time and subsequently approved. Thank you, Michelle, for all your hard work, you are a star!

Hopefully you have all seen the flyers around the suburbs and online for our [Open Day on Saturday 21 May](#). Please help to spread the word by liking or sharing our posts online. Thank you also to our Community Engagement Officer Christina Theodoratos for securing great food and gift items for prospective families from local businesses. I would like to thank Superior Fruit, Baker's Delight Graceville, and Bunnings Indooroopilly for their support and generous donations for the day.

and the teachers had set up so many fun play stations for the kids to enjoy and showcase what a day at Staverton is like. The kids and staff were fantastic, and I would like to thank all families for being involved and helping us achieve the best outcome for the kindy. The video is in the stages of editing, and I can't wait to share it all with you soon!



Welcome back to Staverton for another term of kindy fun! I hope that you are all settling back into the daily routine and that your kids are loving all the fantastic adventures they have at kindy each day.

I truly hope that Term 2 has far fewer disruptions than the last term. We have so many fun things planned this term! Please note all these events in your calendars. I have also added all the events to the calendar in OWNA.

### **Managing COVID Safe Practices at Staverton**

It is great that restrictions are easing in Queensland however it is so important that we continue to work together in managing the current Queensland Government COVID Safe Practices. I will continue to communicate any changes in the covid restrictions and requirements. As always, please do not attend kindy if you or your child is unwell.

### **Policies, Procedures and Quality Improvement Plan**

Please be aware that you can access the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) at any time at kindy. We love for our families to share ideas and thoughts with us and we have created space for you to do this on each of our verandahs, alternatively, you can contact our Quality Officer Rosie at [quality@staverton.com.au](mailto:quality@staverton.com.au).

I will also start using the poll function in OWNA so please make sure you vote and have your say - we really value your feedback!

### **Community Engagement**

Our Community Engagement Officer Christina has many wonderful ideas on how we can further engage with our lovely community, and we look forward to achieving some of these goals this year (COVID permitting). Please follow Staverton on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) where we share many fun things happening in our community.

### **Marketing**

and being interviewed and filmed. Thank you to the committee for organising this - I can't wait for you all to see it!



## Educational Sharings

by Kristy Coombs, Educational Leader/Teacher

We know how important playing outside is for our children. It is proven to significantly improve all aspects of child development – physical, mental, social and emotional, including the growth of resilience, self-confidence, learning ability, concentration, creativity, and more.

[Visit Nature Play for ideas.](#)

We prioritise playing in and engaging with nature every day at kindy. In the next few weeks, your child will receive a Nature Play Passport, which is a booklet packed full of fun missions and ideas to encourage outside play, and it goes hand-in-hand with the [Nature Play app](#).



## Check out our key dates + events

**Sunday 15 May** Gungun and Gwala working bee (adults only - check the verandah for jobs and equipment list)

**Saturday 21 May** Open Day

**Monday 23 May** Rainforest Show (Gungun and Kabarla)

**Wednesday 25 May** Rainforest Show (Walan and Gwala)

**Thursday 26 May** National Sorry Day

**Wednesday 1 June** Staverton Series

**Thursday 9 June** Walan VIP morning

**Friday 10 June** Gwala VIP morning

**Saturday 11 June** Movie Night

**Tuesday 14 June** Gungun VIP morning

**Wednesday 15 June** Kabarla VIP morning

**Friday 24 June** Last day of term

**Saturday 25 June - Sunday 10 July** School holidays

**Monday 4 - Friday 8 July** Vacation care

**Monday 11 July** Term 3 starts

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## Event and Fundraising Highlights



### Welcome Breakfast

Staverton Kindergarten and the Fundraising Team would like to thank the beautiful families that could attend our Welcome Breakfast and enjoy the Easter festivities. We look forward to seeing you all at our next event!



CALLING ALL KINDY FRIENDS!

**STAVERTON KINDERGARTEN**

**MOVIE NIGHT**

**UNDER THE STARS**

A fun family night, complete with  
big screen, pizza, popcorn and bar!

11 JUNE 2022  
5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM  
43 TWINKENHAM ST, CHELMER



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## Community Resources



### Music in nature

Nature Play's '10 Things to do to Discover Nature's Music' is a great way for our kids to develop musical understanding while getting closer to nature. [Find out more.](#)



### Staverton Series: Emotional regulation

Join Amanda and Ben Tuppock from Actively Balanced Kids at the [next Staverton Series on 1 June, online or in-person](#). They will share strategies and tips to work with your child on emotional regulation.

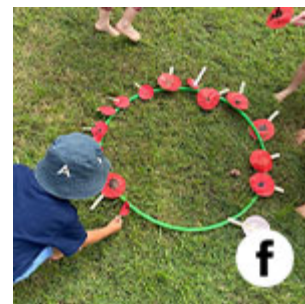


### Webinar: Positive mealtimes

On 6 June, [Lady Gowrie will host a webinar](#) on creating positive and happy mealtimes, introducing new foods into children's diets, and promoting a positive relationship with food.



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