

Wentworth District Pre-school Newsletter



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Treasurer: Annita
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General Members:
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Dear Families

What a busy time of the year Terms three and four has shaped up to be. Over the last half of the year both groups have been super busy with their learning.

Topaz - WOW what a fun filled year we have had. This year we welcomed 24 children into our class making it a very busy year. This term we as educators, have been learning a lot about the children through the "All About Me" observations. It was very interesting and funny listening to the children talk about their pets, families and especially what they want to be when they grow up. The highlight this term has been the advent calendar. We started it first day of term 4 and the children who do the best packing up or listening get to open a book. In this one activity the children have learnt to take turns, be rewarded for positive behaviours, number and letter recognition, patience, as well as developing their listening, concentration, question and answering skills. We wish all the children moving up next year all the best in the next phase of their educational journey and we look forward to coming back next year. – *(Karen Doherty)*

Sapphires have been focusing on their transition to school by going on excursions to the local schools, reading books about their schools, exploring and using their imagination in the home corner which was set up the same as a school classroom. We had participated in many enjoyable conversations and we can tell that the children are very excited to be heading to big school. We have also been focusing on types of families, space, insects, sign language and continuing to challenge children's learning. Although the year is coming to an end, we have ensured that the children have received the best enjoyment out of their learning during the last few weeks and ending it on a high with Christmas celebrations and celebrating the end of preschool with our friends. – *(Kayla Martin)*

Our Preschool Team would like to thank the parents who have attended excursions, donated their time and helped with morning snack this year. We are very grateful to have your help throughout the year in both classes.

End of 2018 dates:

Sapphire – Wednesday 12th December
Topaz – Thursday 13th December

Start of 2019 dates:

Sapphire – Wednesday 5th February
Topaz – Thursday 7th February

Teacher

Kayla Martin

Group Leader

Karen Doherty

Educators

Fiona Brown

Anne Page

Support Educators

Yvonne Hedges

Next General

Preschool meeting:

Wednesday 20th

February 2019

Preschool AGM:

Wednesday 20th

February 2019

Dates to Remember:

Sapphire last day

Wednesday 12th

December

Topaz last day & Class

party – Thursday 13th

December

Sapphire Commence

in 2018 – Tuesday 5th

Feb

Topaz Commence in

2018 – Thursday 7th

February

Please be aware that during the Christmas holidays all families will receive an email regarding information for their child's class in 2019 and it will also be put on the website, public facebook page and our parent facebook group. If you have any questions at an earlier time please speak to the director

2019 Fees

For those families still with us in 2019, please make yourselves aware that there will be an increase to your child's preschool fees. Please speak to the director if you're needing information or have any concerns. Families will be notified during the break via email.

Fundraising

Thank you to all families that donated their time to help out with fundraisers this year. We have had a very successful year and hoping to do it again in 2019. Fundraisers for next year are in process, however if you have any suggestions please feel free to approach the director or a committee member. We have an Easter fundraiser coming up in Term 1 2019 so please stay tuned for any announcements.

Children's lockers

At the end of year the classroom and children's lockers are cleaned out. If you have any belongings or artwork in your child's locker during the last week of term, please ensure it is taken home for the children to keep.

We would like to make families aware that our service is an anti-bullying service. Our team at preschool provides quality education and support to children to ensure this does not occur, as well as help children to understand. Each child is treated equally and respectfully. We do ask that families ensure positive and appropriate language is always used within the service premises which is much appreciated.

Preschool AGM – Our AGM is occurring on Wednesday 20th February 2019. All families welcome!

We would like say a big special Thank you to Shanna Alderson, Annita Hawkins, Luke Stirrat, Breeon Cole, Holli Mumford & Sharna Gregg for being a part of our Management committee this year. We appreciate your help, commitment and dedication towards the preschool.

If you would like to become a part of the Management Committee for 2019 please speak to the director or any of the above members for interest. It's the best way to have a say in your child's preschool journey and to ensure that your child's preschool is running smoothly and effectively.

The positions we have on our management committee are:

President

Act as the face of the Preschool to parents and staff and represent the Preschool within the local community, encouraging and managing community spirit within the Preschool.

Vice President

To support the President in their role, and chair meetings in their absence. Act as an equal member of the management committee and carry out any relevant or directed responsibilities or tasks

Treasurer

Overseeing the financial management of the Preschool, ensuring that true and proper financial records are kept and the management committee is always kept informed with a monthly reconciliation at each meeting.

Secretary

To organise the preparation for committee meetings and document all information relating to meetings and business of the preschool.

General Member

To work in collaboration with the executive members to ensure a smooth running of the service is in place.

We hope you all enjoy your long break and we look forward to seeing you again next year along with some new faces.

To those families leaving us this year, we wish you all the best for your child's future.

*Wentworth Preschool wishes everyone a Merry
Christmas and Happy New Year.*

From your Preschool Team ☺