



St. Dunstan's Preschool

Newsletter October 2023

Upcoming Dates

Class/Event	Date
Zoo Visit - here at preschool	Amigo and Rafiki - Wednesday 29 th of November Chingu and Bunji – Thursday 30 th of November
Magic Craig – a visit here at preschool	Amigo & Rafiki – Tuesday 5 th of December Chingu and Bunji – Thursday 7 th of December
End of Year Parties - See information below for more details. There will also be more information to come closer to date.	Amigo - Tuesday December 12 th , 9:30am - 12pm Rafiki - Wednesday December 13 th , 9:30am - 12pm Chingu - Friday December 15 th , 9am - 11:30am Bunji - Friday December 15 th , 12:30pm – 3pm

Assessment and Rating

We are proud to say that we received an exceeding rating for the preschool. Thank you for all the support you have shown us. We will continue to grow and take on feedback given to us to ensure that we sustain our high level of education and care.

Share the Dignity Australia- Its in the bag

Educators at St Dunstan's will be contributing to this cause. If you can help out, please see Rubi. We will be packing adult bags. Items needed include Period Products, Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Deodorant (roll-on preferred) & Soap or Body Wash.

<https://www.sharethedignity.org.au/itsinthebag>

Working Bees

Thank you to the families who have donated their time to help us with the working bees.

There is still one more working bee date to come. If you are free Saturday November 4th from 9am to 11am and haven't put your name down but would like to help, please see Stacey.

End of Year celebration

We would love to invite you and the special people in your children's lives to our end of year celebrations.

These parties will be celebrated over 4 events to ensure each group can invite their family and friends. You will only be invited to attend your child's class celebration.

Amigo's - Tuesday 12th of December from 9:30am to 12pm: We will say goodbye at 12pm and this will be their last day of school. We kindly ask that the Amigo's stay at home on Wednesday to allow the Rafiki's to have their party

Rakifi's - Wednesday 13th of December 9:30am-12pm: We will say goodbye at 12pm and this will be their last day. We kindly ask that the Rafiki's stay at home on Tuesday to allow the Amigo's to have their party.

Chingu - Friday 15th of December 9am-11:30am: We will say goodbye to children and families at 11:30am and this will be their last day. This will allow us to clean and get ready for the Bunji children's end of year celebration.

Bunji - Friday 16th of December 12:30pm-3pm: We ask that the Bunji children and families stay home until 12:30 to allow for the Chingu's end of year celebration. This will be their last day of school.

This plan might sound confusing but don't worry we have managed it for the past 3years. More detailed information will be sent out mid-November and we can discuss this in person closer to date.

Child Safety

Next week will be using "Sam the explorer" within our intentional teaching regarding feelings of safety. This is one book in the Safe Series (part of the Office of Children's Guardian) that we mentioned in our last newsletter.

Which school will your child be attending in 2024?

Please add your child's name to the list outside the front gate. We can then introduce you to other families who will be going to the same school as your child next year. If you cannot add your child's name, reply to this email with the school they will be attending, and we can write it in for you.

Friendly Reminders

- Please remember your child's hat. The UV is still high even on cloudy days!
- With the unpredictable weather we have been experiencing it is important to make sure that your child is wearing sensible clothing and that you apply sunscreen to your child upon arrival at preschool. Sunscreen is always available on top of the lockers and at the outside sink. We will assist your child with application for afternoon outside play.
- Please remember to pack spare clothes that are appropriate for the current weather. During warmer weather we will be adding more water play.
- Please remember a HAND TOWEL for the bathroom.
- Slow down and drive carefully in the carpark.

- Always hand your child's medication to a member of staff and complete a medication form.
- Sandals and running shoes are the best choice for climbing our obstacle course, so no thongs, Ugg boots or crocs please.
- Please remember to bring a water bottle.
- Please do not hold the gates open for long periods of time as it can be an opportunity for children to leave the preschool unaccompanied.
- Please do not leave any siblings in your car. It is against the law. If this causes issues for you, see a staff member for assistance.

Thank you for the wonderful support 😊

Michelle, Mimi, Stacey, Esther, Terrie, Rubi, Sephine, Young, Ben, Lynette and Simone.