



St. Dunstan's Preschool Newsletter August 2023

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We have a lot of exciting events coming up!

Upcoming Dates

Class/Event	Date/Details
Assessment and Rating Visit- This has been rescheduled as the assessor was unwell	Thursday 10 th of August- Friday 11 th of August.
Koori Kinnections (Incursion)	Tuesday August 8 th – Amigo and Rafiki Friday August 11 th - Bunji and Chingu
Police Visit (Incursion)	Tuesday August 15 th – Amigo and Rafiki Thursday August 17 th - Bunji and Chingu
Book week	Wednesday August 23 rd – Amigo and Rafiki Thursday August 24 th – Bunji and Chingu
Grandparents and Visitors Day (9:30am-11:30am)	Tuesday August 22 nd – Amigo and Rafiki Friday August 25 th - Bunji and Chingu
Excursion- Kings Park More information and permission notes to come.	Week starting September 4 th
Support Network Morning Tea More information to come	Possible dates- Wednesday 20 th September and Thursday 21 st of September

Preschool Aboriginal Cultural Incursion with Koori Kinnections

Educators from Koori Kinnections will come and share their knowledge with us. This might include traditional games, bushfood, art, craft, dance and learning about traditional resources.

Police Visit

A community liaison police officer will come into preschool and discuss topics such as the role of a police officer, how we can tell someone is a police officer and stranger awareness.

Book Week

Each year since 1945 the Children's Book Council of Australia has brought children and books together across Australia through CBCA Book Week. During this time schools spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators.

We will be encouraging children to dress up as a character from their favourite story, and/or bring in their favourite story to share with their class.

Grandparents and Visitors Day

We would love to welcome you, the family, grandparents and/or special visitors to come and spend time with us at preschool from 9:30am-11:30am.

Please bring something for morning tea that can be shared with other families. We ask that it contains no nuts and has a list of ingredients used.

On the day you are welcome to play with your child, engage with other families and have morning tea. We will also have a small concert in which children will perform some of their favourite songs (we may even ask you to join in with us).

Show and Tell

Please remember children are welcome to bring in something to share for show and tell. Children are encouraged to bring a photo, favourite storybook, their experience at their kindergarten orientation or game in to share for show and tell. No toys will be shown during show and tell time.

Spare clothes

Children require spare clothes even though they are toilet trained. While learning at preschool, children can experience messy or wet play and will need to change their clothes. Please make sure the spare clothes (including socks and undies) are appropriate for the current weather season.

Sun Safety

Now that the UV is 3 and above, sun safety measures need to be taken. Children will now be required to wear a hat and apply sunscreen while playing outside.

Child Safety

Thank you, families, for signing our Parent/Family Code of Conduct.

Educators are consistently engaged in professional development and will be hosting a presentation on the child safe series run by the Office of Children's Guardian on Tuesday 8th of August for local preschool educators to attend.

Transition to school statements

You would have received an email from Simone regarding a consent form to be signed in regards to a Transition to School Statement. It is a requirement for us to complete a Transition to School Statement for any child attending a government school the following year. These statements highlight the children's learning, development and wellbeing and will be given to the school. We are asking everyone to sign the consent form, even if your child is going to a Catholic/Independent School, or returning to St Dunstan's as we will complete the same form for all children and will give you a copy.

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

