



KCCC newsletter MAY 2011

We currently have 231 children attending the centre in both long day care and kindergarten.

CAR PARK

Council officers have informed KCCC that **there is no funding available in the current or next year budget to upgrade the car park outside KCCC.**

There is a consultation process regarding the City of Melbourne budget and I would urge all those concerned about the safety issues in the car park to put their concerns in writing. The City of Melbourne website www.melbourne.gov.au has the budget allocations and a tab on the home page for 'Getting Involved' which explains the process. Please help us ensure these necessary works are undertaken.

PROGRAMS

A number of parents have expressed an interest in gaining an understanding of the educational program at KCCC. As such we have developed a brochure that is attached to this newsletter. In the future we will use this brochure during the enrolment procedure and it will become part of our enrolment pack.

We appreciate the important role KCCC staff have in educating parents around the current theories and best practise regarding how children learn. We are often called on as educators to discuss our program with industry colleagues as KCCC is acknowledged as a leader in implementing the Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework. We hope the brochure demonstrates KCCC's philosophy to education while portraying some concrete strategies and practises adopted by staff.

Also attached to the newsletter is the Rosella kindergarten group's newsletter edited by our kindergarten teacher for the Rosella group, Carol Diaz. This is also a perfect illustration of the many ways children are educated within our program.

STAFFING

Kate Pinniger from the Waratah room has taken three months long service leave and is due to return mid way through August. Kate has been replaced by Fiona Borg who works for Randstad Agency. Fiona is off on an extended trip overseas in August so the timing of Kate's return will be around the same time as Fiona leaves for her holidays.

We welcome Robert Nguyen to the Waratah room. Robert has been working with an agency for a number of extended assignments; one being at the City of Melbourne centre, Lady Huntingfield. Robert has completed some study in horticultural design and is therefore looking to be involved in the continuing transformation of our outdoor area.

Michelle Tilahun has returned on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and her little son Ezra has also commenced at KCCC. Cheryl is working on Monday and Friday. Karen Moran is now working in the Banksia room to support Gloria and give families much needed consistency.

Rachel is taking a well deserved six weeks of annual leave from the 21/06. Amanda and Cristina will act in her position during this time and each will be employed for three weeks in the office. Rachel has also confirmed the exciting news that she is pregnant and her baby is due mid October!

WORKING BEE.

Thanks to all those who have already volunteered for our Working Bee on Sunday the 19/06.

For those of you who would like to get involved there are details of tasks in the foyer and it would be really great to get some of the more urgent jobs completed.

If you have a busy day already planned and can only make it for the sausage sizzle, feel free to come along and join in the fun and marvel at what has been achieved!

WORKING BEE SUNDAY 19TH JUNE

"The most effective kind of education is that a child should play amongst lovely things." Plato.

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