

# Jumpstart 4 Kids

Newsletter No 1, 2010 January & February

## WELCOME

We are thrilled to welcome back our families from 2009, and warmly welcome our new families for 2010. Our end of year Christmas Celebrations were a great success. Santa was very kind to visit us all the way from the North Pole and he has passed on a very important message for our children at Jumpstart 4 Kids. **BUT WHAT WAS HIS MESSAGE?** Santa wanted to thank all the children for their wonderful singing and hoped that he would see them this year. So to all our children, thank you for being so wonderful in 2009. We hope that you had a lovely Christmas with your family and that you have a productive and fun filled year with us in 2010.

## STAFF NEWS

Miss Tracy has joined us as our Early Childhood teacher for 2010. Tracy has had 17 years prior experience and will be working in the Busy Bees room in 2010 with Miss Kelly and Miss Sacha. Please feel free to discuss with Miss Tracy your child's progress at any time.

Miss Kimberly has joined us as a Trainee for 2010.

Miss Stacey will be expecting her second child in 2010 and we thank her for her contributions throughout her 12 month appointment with us. All staff are keen to know your child and work with them throughout the year, so please take a few minutes each day to ask room staff about your child's day and share any concerns that you have. We believe that it is through day to day conversations with families that we can make a significant difference to the learning and lives of the children in our care. (QIAS 1,2, &7)

## WEEKLY EXPERIENCES



During the MONTHS of January and February the **BUSY BEES** room will be learning and exploring:

1. Getting to know me & Others
2. Families
3. Australia
4. Our Five Senses
5. Chinese New Year
6. Pets
7. Numbers



The **PLAYFUL POSSUMS** will be engaged in learning about

1. Families
2. Australia
3. Pets
4. Beach
5. Sea Week
6. Circus
7. Numbers



The **BABY BUNYIPS** will be engaging in lots of exploring and expressing activities, including play dough, finger painting, sand and water play. We will also be reading lots of books and learning new nursery rhymes, so that the children can familiarise themselves with one another, their teachers and their environment.

**We encourage children and parents to discuss these areas and to bring in items. The PLAYFUL POSSUMS and the BUSY BEES will welcome these items for the children's news. If there are any parents who are Doctors, Nurses, Vet's, or who work around any of our related themes who can assist and have the time to talk with the children we would be really appreciative (QIAS 2, 3 & 4)**

## INCURSIONS FOR 2010

Throughout 2010 we will be inviting a variety of different organisations to present shows and activities to the children. We wish to notify parents that these will be at an additional cost to families throughout the year. We will ensure

that the cost of these activities is between \$7.00 - \$10.00 for each activity. We thank you for your support. (QIAS 2, 3 & 4)

### WHAT CHILDREN NEED TO BRING EACH DAY

#### Baby Bunyip's 0-2 yrs

- Bottles labeled, caps included
- Food Requirements
- Dummies labeled
- 5-7 Nappies - Daily
- Baby wipes
- Sheet sets if sleeping on Beds ( Please speak with staff)
- Sun hat



#### Playful Possums & Busy Bees

- Sheet sets for rest time labeled
- Fruit
- Lunch please do not include items that require heating
- Sun hat (QIAS 1,2,5,6,&7)



### DAILY FOOD REQUIREMENTS.

#### FRUIT NEEDED EVERY DAY

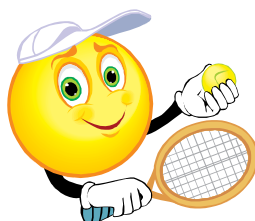
Children will be offered fruit platters at morning and afternoon tea times. Children will only be offered their healthy snacks during lunch. Children may bring another drink for lunch times. Water is available at all times for children.

NOTE: Please do NOT bring food that requires heating. Children in the Busy Bees room will need to prepare for school.



### NO, NO, NO AT ALL TIMES

NO NUTS, NO EGGS OR SHELL FISH ARE TO BE PROVIDED TO CHILDREN AS SOME CHILDREN HAVE SEVERE ALLERGIES TO THESE FOODS.



### NO HAT NO PLAY

#### ORDER COTHING NOW

Please be aware that all, children require a protective sun hat for all outdoor activities. Parents can order Hats through the front Office. Hats and T – Shirts are \$10.00 each.

#### CLOTHING

Children are required to wear Sun Safe clothing at Preschool this means:

T shirts - NO SHOE STRING STRAPS

Covered in shoes – NO THONGS

SUN HATS FOR OUTDOOR PLAY



Orders are now being taken for JUMPSTART 4 KIDS T- shirts and Hats. Hats and shirts are \$10.00 each. Orders will be placed at the conclusion of February. Please see staff for ordering details. Payments must be made prior to orders being taken. ORDER SHEET IN FOYER.

(QIAS 1,2,5,6,&7)

### WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK

We ask that parents make other arrangements for their child when they are ill.

We have a duty of care to all children and children are not permitted at the centre when they are ill. If a child is unwell at preschool a staff member will call parents to collect their child immediately.

We would ask that parents are vigilant in this matter so that we can reduce the spread of viral diseases.

#### Vaccinations Blue book evidence

All families are required to provide an updates copy of your child vaccinations to the centre. We would ask that al families provide this documentation by the end of February 2010.

Age	Disease immunised against
Birth	Hepatitis B
	Diphtheria
2 months	Tetanus
	Pertussis



	Polio
	Hib ;Hepatitis B
	Pneumococcal ;Rotavirus
	Diphtheria ;Tetanus
	Pertussis ;Polio
<b>4 months</b>	Hib
	Hepatitis B
	Pneumococcal ; Rotavirus
	Diphtheria ; Tetanus
	Pertussis ;Polio
<b>6 months</b>	Hib
	Hepatitis B
	Pneumococcal ;Rotavirus
	Measles ;Mumps
<b>12 months</b>	Rubella ;Hib
	Hepatitis B
	Meningococcal C
<b>18 months</b>	Varicella
	Diphtheria ;Tetanus
	Pertussis ;Polio
<b>4 years</b>	Measles
	Mumps
	Rubella

**Please ask your doctor about your child's current immunisation or Contact the Blacktown**

**Community Health Centres**

**Unit 1, Cnr Marcel Crescent, Blacktown NSW 2148**

**(02) 9831 7855 or (02) 9881 8700**

**Fax (02) 9671 6360**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP:**

**NO TOYS**

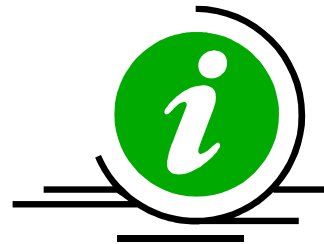
**WHAT CHILDREN ARE NOT TO BRING TO THE CENTRE?**

Items for News are welcomed but we ask that children do not bring cars, toys or Nintendo games. These items distract children from group activities and cause unrest. We would be appreciative if parents could assist us with this. Children bringing items from home will have them placed in a bag and returned to them at the end of the day. Parents may collect these items at the conclusion of the day.

**FEE INFORMATION**

**ALL LATE FEES WILL INCUR a \$20 late fee per week.**

Parents are reminded that they are required to pay their weekly Fee on the first day of attendance each week. We would ask all families to be respectful of this request.



**PARENT'S**

**CORNER**

Many of our families seek information from staff about their child's development and health issues. In the foyer we have created a special space for families to view articles that may assist you in attaining information to support your child and family. Please feel free to take pamphlets from this folder for your information at any time. If we do not have the information that you require please do not hesitate to speak to one of our staff and we will do our best to accommodate your requests.

(QIAS, 2, 5, 6, &7)

**PARENT FORUM**



Our First Parent Forum for 2009 will be on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 6.00pm – 7.00pm.**

All parents are invited to attend. We will be focusing on the program format for each room, as well as proposed incursions for 2010. So join us for some light refreshments as we begin what is sure to be a wonderful year. (QIAS 2 & 7)

**A FINAL THOUGHT**

**Children are remarkable. Cherish the warmth and laughter that they bring to your life. We wish all our families a fantastic 2010 and look forward to the journey that we will share with you, your child and your family throughout the year.**