

Centre news



AUGUST 2024

Upcoming events

- Jeans for Genes Day 2nd August – dress in blue and your jeans and dress in your yellow, red, blue green black and white for recognising National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children’s Day which is on the 4th August
- Early Learning matters 5th -9th in house experiences at kindergarten
- Girra Girra Incursion 6th August -Joeys Koalas emus
- Red Nose Day – 9th August - wear Red and join in our RED NOSE disco and donate a gold coin
- Dental Health Week – 7-13th
- Science Bug Incursion – Bilbies, joeys, koalas, Emus 14th August - \$5 added to account
- Science Week 10-18th August
- Book Week Dress ups 19th -23rd August dress up as your favorite book character, there will be prizes for children and educators best dressed
- Daffodil day 22nd, August please wear yellow to kindergarten to support cancer council
- Little Scientists STEM incursion at kindergarten – 3pm to 4pm (parents are invited to join in if able to take time off work).
- Olympics Week 26/7/24 to 2/8/24 August - join in all the experiences organised at kindergarten
- Father’s Day BBQ breakfast and 30th August starting at 730am and experiences in rooms in the afternoon 2.30pm -4.30pm – coffee voucher to be handed to our dads and special people in our children’s lives.

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Miss Maryam has joined us with her certificate three in the gumnuts room she is working three days a week and has been engaging with the children and families enjoying this.

We have been to Aurrum recently, learning how to play bop it (on the pool table shooting balls), listening to them reading us stories, manipulating playdough to make

snowmen reflecting on the weather at the moment cold windy days. We also engaged in water color painting learning about mixing colors and how we are all artists no matter what our creations look like. We went to the library excursion last week and earn and return to recycle our plastics and cans discussing with the children the importance of recycling and how the machine and app works and how we can then use our voucher to buy plants for our vegetable gardens.

Baby news

Miss Leanne is going on maternity leave we wish her all the very best on the birth of her baby daughter and being a family of four soon. We cannot wait to hear her name and see a photo of her, enjoy all the cuddles and family time.

Also, Miss Cass in the bilbies will be going on maternity leave we wish her all the very best on the birth of her first baby, we also cannot wait to meet little miss smiley too.

Policy updates this month

- Our Child Protection Policy has recently been reviewed with Child Safe standards and Erina kindergarten continuing to be a child safe service. We have also been enhancing the children’s knowledge of child protection using the videos and resources from The Office of Children’s Guardian as posted on OWNA along with completing case studies with our management and educators. Also, our Child Safe Code of Conduct has been reviewed by all educators and our new recruitment and induction training policy and complaint handling policy along with our Child Safe Risk Management Plan.
- Other Policies this month that were reviewed and posted on OWNA-
- Chemical Spills policy
- Environmental Sustainability policy



Educator training

- Asthma and Anaphylaxis training various educators
- Child Protection training various educators
- Child Protection child safe standards training – management
- Safe food handling various educators
- Aboriginal perspectives Koori Curriculum – Miss Nichol
- Behavior Management Phoenix cups – Miss Leanne
- Black Dog institute Mental Health – Miss Mel
- Inservice at Alkira Miss Bec Supporting Children with additional needs
- Approaches to theory and practice – Miss Teya



Central Coast kids day out

Last month we were privileged to join in Central Coast Kids Day out with some of our children's artwork displayed at the fair which was a nice community initiative.

PJ week

We thank everyone for joining in PJ Week raising funds for the community, it was a comfy week to keep warm in our PJS, hoodies and UGG boots we raised \$130.00.

Sustainability tip of the month

Sustainability last month we planted our trees on Friday 26th with Miss Teya and talked about how we care for this and why we plant trees in our environments.

Educator of the month

At Erina Kindergarten we pride ourselves on having high quality Educators. We like to recognise Educators that have demonstrated excellence by awarding them with an Educator of the Month Award.

This month our certificate and \$100 voucher goes to **Miss Hayley** in the Koalas for her inspiring experiences, relationships with the children and families.

