

# TERM 4 NEWSLETTER

### President

by Roxy Giles

Term 3 has now wrapped up and so has our time at Third Avenue for the next 6 months. What a busy and exciting time ahead!

Sharon, Liz, Judy & Teresa along with some dedicated parents have been very busy over the last term packing up resources as they are no longer required and taking car loads of containers over to our temporary home at Chelsea Kinder. They have also spent a lot of the holiday break setting up at Catherine Avenue to ensure the children have a smooth transition to their new surroundings.

Dragan, our Maintenance officer, has been busy with a very handy parent, Mick, carefully dismantling our deck area around the sandpit so we can re-use the wood after the renovation is complete. Work has also been done unpacking the sheds, pulling apart our shelving units in the old

maternal health centre, packing the container, and filling the skip.

We also had our wonderful fundraising team host some great events such as the Gravity Zone night, and the Bunnings BBQ which were essential in creeping us a bit closer to our \$50,000 fundraising target to furnish our new room when we move back to Third Avenue. Again, we had the amazing support of so many families who turned out to help run these events.

I would like to sincerely thank all the teachers and families who have worked so tirelessly to make this move a smooth transition. Without your hard effort, this would not have been possible! Its times like these



that make me so proud to be part of our wonderful kinder community. We look forward to welcoming all the children and families to our temporary kinder, and hope that all the children settle in well and enjoy a fun Term 4!

#### Important Koala Term 4 dates



Wednesday Oct 18 Mobile farm

**Tuesday Nov 7** Melbourne Cup – public holiday

Wednesday Dec 13 Concert day

Friday Dec 15 Party Day – Last day



### **Educators**

by Sharon, Teresa, Judy, & Liz

We welcome all families to our new home for the next two terms.

A massive thank-you to our wonderful Committee and a great number of parents, who have made the move such a success. Judy, Liz and Teresa sacrificed much of their holidays to clean, unpack and organise resources and also deserve our thanks. There have been an enormous number of tasks undertaken to ensure that our Catherine Ave site is safe and inviting for the children.

The Working Bee last Saturday was attended by over a dozen enthusiastic helpers and we are most grateful. Special thanks to Dragan Lukic, our maintenance officer for the efficient and organised manner in which this day was managed; we couldn't have done it without you!

During the first few weeks of Term we have a learning focus on the Farm and Spring.

The Possum and Wombat Groups are visiting Rain, Hayne and Shine farm where experiences include milking a cow, grinding wheat, patting baby animals and enjoying a tractor ride. The Koalas are excited to have the Mobile farm visiting them at kinder.

All children are exploring the frog fountain at Kinder and the Bug house; It's a Season that offers many learning opportunities!

We are hoping outside to quickly establish a veggie patch and some parents have already said they can contribute seedlings. We also have several empty pots if anyone has cuttings, herbs, potted colour etc. to donate.

We are fortunate to be housed in a purpose-built Kinder which now feels warm and welcoming for families. As enrolments are currently low for next year, we would ask you all to please advertise for us to friends, neighbours and family and highlight what a positive Community Kindergarten with a strong educational focus has to offer.

Thanks again, Sharon Cummins

### Health reminder



As this has been one of the worst Winters with a record number of flu cases reported, and viruses rife, we would like to remind parents that if your child is displaying any symptoms, please keep them home from kinder to limit the spread of these nasty bugs. Attached is a copy of the DHS Exclusion list, which outlines the time frames in which it is safe to return to kinder based on their condition.

This is a guideline, so please consult with your doctor for the best advice if you are unsure.

Some handy hints:
Wash hands regularly and thoroughly
Cough into your elbow
Seek medical advice if you are unsure

Hand sanitiser is available for everyone to use as required.

We hope everyone stays healthy and well!

https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/ public-health/infectiousdiseases/schoolexclusion/school-exclusion-table

### Merchandise

by Carrie

Get ready for the new year. We have T-shirts, hoodies & Hats in a range of different sizes and selective colours.

We have a great assortment of hand towels – think Spiderman, Tinkerbell, Minnie Mouse, Marvel Avengers, Star Wars, just to name a few.

Prices are as follows:

Hoodies \$25.00 T-Shirts \$15.00 Hats \$15.00 Hand Towels \$12.00

You can grab an order form from one of the **lovely** kinder educators or email myself at merchandising@chelseaheightskinder.vic.edu.au











### IMPORTANT POSSUM TERM 4 DATES

Tuesday Nov 7 – Melbourne Cup – public holiday

Monday Nov 13 —
Andrew Weggener Wild Life
incursion

Tuesday Dec 12 — Concert day

Tuesday Dec 19 – Party, last day, 12:30-3

### **Fundraising**

by Andrea & Jo

Welcome back to term 4.

Firstly, we would like to say many thanks to our kinder families for supporting the BBQ at Bunnings on Sunday 24th September! It was a long and busy day and we sold 624 snags, raising **\$1,625.58** for our kinder!

This was made possible thanks to the donations in time from some of our kinder parents and friends, and loaves of bread or vouchers from:

- Woolworths Chelsea
- Bakers Delight Chelsea
- Chelsea Heights Bakery
- Woolworths Patterson Lakes
- Coles Keysborough

Total year-to-date fundraising revenue: \$8,568.

Your generosity and support has helped the kinder fund immensely and will make the experience for our little ones the best on offer.

Our final event and fundraiser for the year will be the Christmas disco to be held on Friday December 8th. Further information about this will be made available in the coming weeks. It will be a fun evening for the kids and families and we hope everyone can make it.



### Re-development tally

As you would be aware by now, our beloved kinder will be undergoing a major redevelopment later this year, in which we will be getting a second indoor learning space. As a community kindergarten, we have received government funding to cover the cost of the renovation, but that is all, the rest is up to us. As a kinder, we rely on the generosity of families and the wider community to be able to hold fundraising activities, in addition to apply for grants, that will enable us to raise enough additional funds to furnish this space. Initial estimations put this cost at \$50,000. This is our target amount which you can keep track of. If you have any questions, suggestions or feedback regarding this fundraising or grants please contact Roxanne Giles.



## GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE SPONSORSHIP

by Melissa

We are seeking major sponsorship for our kindergartens re-development. In addition, 2017 not only marks the Kinder's 50th birthday but it is the year where the centre will undergo major redevelopment, being upgraded to include a second indoor learning area and much more. Therefore, fundraising has never been more important to our Kinder community than right now! We need to raise \$50,000 of funds to furnish our new and exciting learning area plus other components of the Kinder.

We have been overwhelmed by the generosity of our local communities where not only small businesses have donated terms of tuition, but we have received some terrific opportunities from business and family attractions by way of vouchers, family passes and memberships. Not to mention an inaugural student from 1967, generously initiated their own donation of funds!

To assist you in consideration of our needs we have a tiered major sponsor guide. Currently we are seeking gold sponsorship, but would be honoured with any contribution.

- Gold sponsor in excess of \$1000
- Silver sponsor between \$300 \$999
- Bronze sponsor between \$100 \$299

Some of our current Silver sponsors include but are not limited to;

- Hocking Stuart, Chelsea (financial donation)
- Kennedy's Health and Fitness, Chelsea Heights
- Tyres and More, Chelsea Heights

Bronze members including but not limited to;

Private family: Inaugural member (financial donation) PARC, Frankston We believe strongly in community engagement and enduring community partnerships and as such we in return would love to promote your business and have myriad means to do so at a targeted level.

As a sponsor you would be:

- Special mentions at our events (community events and internal)
- A thankyou post on facebook with links to your web and facebook pages (you can like/share to boost your business profile and our events).
- You will be highlighted as a major sponsor (gold/silver/bronze) on our promotional material
- You can also provide samples, balloons, pens, money boxes, cards or flyers to be given to our families or handed out at our events.
- We can negotiate potential signage on the day that you supply (Gold sponsor only)

Feel free to discuss any other option you may feel is suitable and beneficial to your business. We look forward to your response and take this opportunity to thank you for your consideration.



IMPORTANT WOMBATS
TERM 4 DATES

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Andrew Weggener Wilf Life
incursion

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Tuesday Dec 19 Party — Last day, 8:30-11



### Maintenance

by Dragan

We had our last working bee for the year, thank you so much to all that came to lend a hand. With great weather, we moved 15 cubic meters of softfall, sand, and soil. Repaired, and oiled, the timber screen, deck, and storage box. Reinstated the gumboots in the veggie garden area, installed shade cloth, new hooks inside, and mounted hand towel holders.

And a special thanks to Liam Hall for moving our gate to secure the kinder, and Sally Bourne for bringing down morning tea.



register!



#### **BONBEACH YCW Junior Cricket Club**

Miloin2cricket program (Boys and Girls)

Starts 10/11/17 till 2/3/18 (break over Xmas)

Contact: Mick Smith 0431394948 or

Andy Peake 0412055317. Cost \$80

Register at playcricket.com.au (Search Bonbeach YCW)