Important Dates for your diary, calendar, phone, tablet, computer…or even fridge!

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Welcome
Welcome to Danusha. Danusha joins us as an Early Childhood Worker a few hours each week. Please see her message below

A message from Danusha
I am Danusha and I am originally from Sri Lanka, and I speak English and Sinhalese. I have been in Australia for three years with my husband. I have completed a Diploma in Children’s Services and Certificate 3 in Education Support. I enjoy working with children and therefore I have changed my career from being an Insurance Professional to be an Early Childhood Worker. My hobbies are reading and I like to travel a lot.

News
Victoria will be away on and off from Week 2 until the end of Week 5 due to being selected for jury duty.

CLOSURE DAY  WEDNESDAY 3rd JUNE
Please note that the kindergarten will be closed on this day as the staff will be working off site with staff from four other local kindergartens.
We are all working together on a Numeracy and Literacy Project to improve learning outcomes for children at our kindergartens and help them feel confident about learning new things. We believe children need to be creative and powerful in their approach to learning to achieve the best outcomes.

Responding to Abuse and Neglect – Volunteer Training
Beginning in 2015 parents volunteering their services at kindergarten, on the Governing Council or on excursions are required to attend Volunteer Training in responding to abuse and neglect. You may have already attended a session like this if you have children at a local public school. However, if not I will advertise sessions as I hear about them.

Burnside Primary School on the 27th May at 6pm
Please phone the school if you would like to book a place Phone: 83317512

Policy Updates
This year the Governing Council have begun and will continue to be updating our policies. These will all be published on our website over time but are available in a folder near the front door if you are interested in reading them. If you are having difficulty finding them please ask Jacqui, Jo or Victoria.
The most recent policy reviewed was the Healthy Food Supply and Nutrition Policy which once formatted will be emailed to all families.

Curriculum News
We have begun this term with a new catchphrase, acknowledging that all children are learners and we can all learn and help each other.

Let’s learn together

Learning is our core business at kindergarten and this term we are talking with all the children about what the processes are that help them to learn as well as the dispositions such as persistence and effort. 
For example; ask a friend, look at a book, have a go and try again, go on the internet and sing a song.
By the end of the term our goal is for the children to talk about their learning and we will have a song to sing to help them.....Stay tuned. 
We were so fortunate to begin our term at the Botanic Gardens Kitchen Garden ‘Little Sprouts’ and to be the first kindergarten to visit!
This has kickstarted our term with lots of discussion about healthy food and keeping our body well with the food that goes inside it. The children have been very involved in our inside kitchen (next to the real) kitchen, smelling herbs and crushing rosemary in a real mortar and pestle. Last week the children picked some of our kindy vegetables from the garden to make soup and this week we will plant a few more winter vegetables. We will also be transplanting the pea seedlings (given to us at Little Sprouts) in to our own garden.

Family Recipe Book
Keep a look out for our next fundraiser.....we are making a recipe book and need your help. Start thinking about a healthy and nutritious family recipe that you can share!

Thanks
Jacqui, Jo and Victoria