

## A NOTE FROM CENTRE DIRECTOR

Hello and welcome to our October's newsletter!

At the beginning of the month, we celebrated the Moon Festival. Children made mooncakes during cooking experience and enjoyed the mooncakes for the afternoon tea.

Also, we have celebrated the World Space week & Earth Science Week this month. There were many discussions around space, environmental protection and sustainability happening in all rooms.



Children were so excited about the Superhero week and the Children's Books Week. Many of them dressed up as their favourite superheroes

and book characters and enjoyed dramatic play with their friends.



## RE-ENROLMENT FOR 2021

We will start our re-enrolment process in the November. The re-enrolment form will be sent to you via email at the beginning of November. Please fill it out and return it back to Shirley **by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

This year, we will **pre-charge the 2 weeks childcare fees for next year (2021) as the deposit** at re-enrolment and no extra charges will occur in December.

Your form will not be accepted if payments have not been made. The last day of re-enrolment is 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020 and after this date waiting list families will be notified if any positions available.

**MiNiMi Academy Campsie does not accept early notices in the month of December 2020. December withdrawals will default to the last day of operation including fees, being the 18th Dec 2020.**

**If you are not coming next year in 2021, please write in the form and email us as well, it is very important for us to know.**

## XMAS & NEW YEAR BREAKS

The last day of this year will be

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020 (close at 6.00pm)**

The centre will re-open on

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 (Re-open at 7.00am sharp)**

## SOCCAJOEYS COMES BACK IN OCTOBER

Soccajoey's has come back from October! They will run 3 sessions every Wednesday morning from 9.30am to 11am.

It is a soccer program for children 2 years and above. Gunganine (Green), Murawung (R2) and Baragarang (R1) children can register for the class. The cost is \$99 for 9 weeks.

## PHOTOS DAY 2020

The Photos Day this year will be Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Please return payment envelopes to Shirley by **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

**The photos will be delivered to the centre on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Your child's Portraits will also be able to be viewed online the day after they have been delivered to the Centre.** Please use the password on the introduction letter you got with the envelope.

Every room will take a group photo on each day so that we could include everyone. You can check the sample photos on Sandpit Website [www.sandpitphotos.com.au](http://www.sandpitphotos.com.au)

## NOVEMBER EVENTS

- 3<sup>rd</sup> November Tuesday  
**Melbourne Cup Day (Making hats fun!)**
- 4<sup>th</sup> November Wednesday  
**Preschool kNOw Waste Incursion:**  
Our preschool rooms, Murawung Room(R2) and Baragarang Room(R1), will have a 30 mins incursion regarding waste, recycle, worm farm.
- 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> November  
**Recycling Week**
- 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> November Tuesday to Thursday  
**Photos Day 2020**
- 11<sup>th</sup> November Wednesday  
**Remembrance Day**
- 13<sup>th</sup> November Friday  
Celebrate for **Diwali** on the 14<sup>th</sup> November Saturday
- 8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> November  
**NAIDOC Week**

## GRADUATION & XMAS PARTY 2020

Unfortunately, we have to cancel our graduation party and Xmas Party this year due to the COVID-19. However, we will still prepare a graduation ceremony for the children at the beginning of December and film the ceremony.

Though families will not be able to participate the ceremony, we will prepare a video to record the ceremony and share with our graduates' families.

We will celebrate the Xmas during **the second week of December (7<sup>th</sup> December to 11<sup>th</sup> December).** Children have started preparing for their party performance. Same as the Graduation Ceremony, we will have the whole week as Xmas Party Week. We will film and make a video to record the special Xmas Party Week.

If you would like to order a copy of the records, please fill the form, and return it back to Shirley. We will charge \$6 per copy for the USB if you ordered.



## MINIMION LIBRARY

We are glad to see that our MiniMion Library is extremely popular and becomes empty so quickly.

Please remind your child to return the books back when finished reading at home.

Also, if you have children's books at home that no longer in use, please feel free to bring them in to add to our library to share. We would really appreciate for your donation.



## SUN PROTECTION

As summer is coming, it is very important for us to be SunSmart in order to protect us from the sun. We are a SunSmart centre and follows all five SunSmart steps when children are playing outdoor.

### 1. Slip on covering clothing

Please make sure your child comes to the centre with collared shirts with sleeves, or a jacket with sleeves for him/her to put on when goes outdoor.

### 2. Slop on SPF 30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen

We will apply SPF 30+ sunscreen on children before they go outside.

### 3. Slap on a hat

We provide a broad-brimmed hat to each child with their names on it at the centre and wash them weekly. If you choose to bring in your own hat, please make sure that the hat is with a broad-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket style which shades the child's face, nose, neck and ears. Caps and visors do not provide enough protection.

### 4. Seek shade

We have built shade structures to reduce UV radiation.

### 5. Slide on some sunglasses

Sunglasses and a broad-brimmed hat worn together can reduce UV radiation exposure to the eyes by up to 98%. It is encouraged that your child can come to the centre with a sunglass.



Educators check the UV Index every day. We will minimize outdoor play between 11 am and 3 pm (October to March).

## EDUCATORS



Ms Christine has joined our team this month. She is studying Bachelor of Early Childhood Education in Macquarie University. She has been working in the Auburn centre for almost 2 years. We are excited to

have her working with us and looking forward to seeing the changes and vitality she will bring to our team.