

KOOTINGAL & DISTRICT PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 3, 2025

A QUICK NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

A very big shout out to Josh Gill for our amazing new boat area. We cant wait to see the adventures the children have.

Our water refill station was also fitted during the school holidays, please encourage your children to ask the educators to fill their drink bottles up.

For those with children returning next year or siblings who you wish to start we will begin the re-enrolment process around Week 5. We are hoping to be able to complete the re -enrolment process online so please be sure to check your emails. If you know of anyone looking for care please make sure they have completed the online waitlist form.

We strive to include our wider community into our everyday program, if you have a skill that you would like to share with our children please let Kate or Jess know.



A FEW FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Please make sure you are labelling your children's clothes
- Children require spare clothes at preschool, please pack 2 full sets of clothes including a jumper
- We would really appreciate if children's hats could stay at preschool, we have hat pockets for their hats to stay in so they stay safe
- Preschool closes at 4pm, all children need to be signed out and collected prior to this time

Friendly
Reminder

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KOOTINGAL SCHOOL VISITS

If your child is going to school next year and attends preschool on a Wednesday, we have been invited to Kootingal Public School Come & Try days in Week 8, 9 & 10. Children get to catch a bus over and visit a big school and become more familiar with the environment. If your child is attending Kooty Public in 2025, there will be more orientation visits throughout Term 4 that parents will need to take their child to. Permission notes will be in mail pockets within the coming weeks. If your child does not attend preschool on Wednesday, you are still able to take your child to these visits. If you would like more information please see Kate or Jess

Kindergarten 2025

COME & TRY DAYS

WEDNESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER
WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER
WEDNESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

1.45 - 3.15

ALL CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL NEXT YEAR ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND

FOR PLANNING PURPOSES
PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER IF YOUR
CHILD IS ATTENDING
0267603332

BOOK FAIR & DRESS UP

We are hosting a Book Fair again this year during book week. Book week will be 11.8 - 22.8 please come dressed as your favourite book character



STAFF CHANGES

We welcome Tanisha and Shakira this term. They join our team while Abi, Kimmy and Nicole head off on maternity leave to welcome their new bundles of joy. Please say hello to our new educators and make them feel welcome.

DRIVING & PARKING NEAR PRESCHOOL

Over the term we have noticed lots of parents driving at excessive speeds near the preschool, please ensure you are slowing down to help look after our little people. Please do not park in the no stopping area directly at the front doors of the preschool, this is for emergency vehicles only. We have a large carpark for all families to utilise.



DATES FOR TERM 3

July

- 21st - First day back for term 3
- 21st - 25th - NAIDOC week
- 22nd & 24th - Steps Vision screening
- 28th - 1st What I want to be when I grow up dress up week
- 31st - Farrer farm Visit

August

- 1st - Jeans for Genes day
- 1st - Jurassic Jack
- 4-10th - dental health week
- 4th - National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children's day
- 8th - Jurassic Jack
- 8th - Red Nose Day
- 11th - 15th - Science Week
- 14th - Humpty Dumpty Show (at preschool)
- 18th - 22nd - Book week
- 20th - Science on the move visit (at preschool)
- 22nd - Daffodil day

September

- 1st - 5th National superhero week
- 4th - Childhood Educators day
- 4th - Fathers night
- 12th - RUOK day (Wear yellow)
- 15th - Footy colours day
- 19th - Talk like a pirate day

CURRENT PROGRAMS

Aboriginal Language Program

Renee visits our preschool on Monday mornings teaching the children Kamilaroi language through songs and games.

Yoga with Jo

Jo comes every Wednesday and spends time with both rooms engaging in relaxation, breathing and stretching activities.

TCDA Dance Academy

TCDA attend preschool for us to engage in dancing experiences, learning some new moves.

Baisie & Espire Therapy Sessions

These occur about approximately once a month and allow children and educators to spend time gaining skills and knowledge about different areas of development.

OUR BOAT

The children have been having lots of fun in the newly constructed boat area. We love seeing their imaginations run wild and allowing them to explore.



PHOTOS OF CHILDREN

We kindly ask that families do not take photos of other children, including any images from the day book.

At Kootingal Preschool, we have a duty of care to protect all children. One important way we do this is by ensuring that each child's identity and privacy are respected at all times.

Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain a safe and respectful environment for every child in our care.



A big welcome to Danaya who has joined our Preschool management committee

FEEDBACK & CONTACTS

If you have any suggestions, comments, or feedback, please feel free to speak with the classroom educators, Kate or our parent committee. All parent feedback is welcome. Please feel free to chat with us or call 67603861. You can also email director@kootingalpreschool.com.au

LUNCHBOXES

Lots of little friends are eating all of their food during lunch, please make sure you are packing your children enough food to fuel them for the day. Please see below some ideas to help fill your little one up:

- Cheese sticks
- Yoghurts
- Fruit
- Veggie sticks
- Banana, apple or blueberry muffins
- Popcorn
- Sushi
- Wraps
- Sandwiches
- Pretzels
- Pikelets
- Cheese & crackers
- Sultanas
- Vegemite, ham or cheese scrolls

Foods that should NOT be brought to Preschool

- Any nut items such as peanut butter, Nutella or any packet items that contain nuts
- Lollies
- Chocolate items such as biscuits or custard
- Chips
- Juice

There are lots of helpful resources on the Good for Kids website:

<https://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/early-childhood-services/resources/healthy-eating/>

