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Welcome

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to all our new families who have started with us over the past month. We look forward to working with you as partners in caring for your child.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Centre and purchased the Entertainment Book for 2019. You hope you enjoy the wonderful savings you earn from using this book.....remember it is not for dining only, you can receive savings on your groceries, holidays, movies as well as many child related activities. If you do not wish to purchase this book and haven't returned it to the office, please do so asap so that we can finalise this fundraiser.



OUTDOOR PLAY



Winter is nearly here but we will still be going outside every day for a run unless it is raining.

Please send coats, beanies and gumboots. Pack slippers or light weight shoes for wearing indoors,

and a change of clothes in case of puddles or wet grass.

WINTER FUNCTION

We are planning a social function for Mid Winter Madness in July and we hope you can come and enjoy the fun. We have a theme in mind but just need to finalize a few details.

Save the date
Thursday, July 4 at
5.00pm.



RISKY PLAY

Research is showing that children need to be able to challenge themselves with adventurous and risky play. This sort of play involves climbing trees, playing with water and mud, building cubby houses, climbing and jumping off equipment, etc. For babies this might be letting them make a mess feeding themselves. This sort of play supports children's personal growth, builds resilience and self-reliance. They need us to trust them to work things out for themselves. If we rush to help them every time they experience a bit of difficulty they receive the message 'I am not capable'. It is hard as parents to let our children experience struggles, but they will be all the stronger for it in later life. Of course, this does not mean letting them do things that are dangerous and pose a risk of serious injury.

At our last staff meeting we discussed risky play, and developed risk assessments to manage it. We support children being adventurous and believe the benefits greatly outweigh the risks. Our children are always supervised, and educators are ready to act if someone is really stuck or in danger. If you feel uncomfortable or concerned about risky play please talk to us.

CHECK YOUR CHILD'S BAG WHEN LEAVING

Sometimes it can be very busy in the rooms when children are leaving and wrong items are taken home by parents or left behind. Please check that you have all your child's belongings—lunch box, clothing and favourite toy when leaving. Labelling all items helps make things easier on departure.



STUDENTS

At present we are supporting several students across the Centre with early childhood studies from UTAS, Launceston College, Exeter High School, Launceston Big Picture School and TAFE. The Centre has been a long-time supporter of students at various levels of their studies.



EARN & LEARN

Now this has to be one of the easiest fundraisers out—you don't have to do anything except purchase your groceries at any Woolworths, receive your Earn & Learn stickers and pop them into the office or OUR BOX AT WOOLWORTHS LEGANA!! The Early Learning Room are busy sticking the stickers on the sheets and the Rumpus Room children are holding a competition girls v boys to see who can collect the most.

Sticker sheets are available from the front desk if you would like to fill them in at home. Ask your family and friends to get on board and help the Centre earn points to purchase new resources for the children. The fundraiser will finish at the end of June.

COUGHS & COLDS

If your child has the “sniffles” but is otherwise alright in themselves we can still have them at care. We can also administer paracetamol if this helps them get through their day. **However, when children are obviously**



unwell please do not send them to care. Germs spread very easily in this environment making other children and educators sick. Our policy advises that if a child has a temperature of 38°C or over parents will be called to collect. When there are gastro symptoms please stay away from care for 24 hours after the last event.

Congratulations to Amy & Daniel on the safe arrival of Lily, a little sister for Chase & Elias.



Our Early Learning Room children enjoying some fruit kindly donated to us by Woolworths Legana