Chirnside Park Preschool

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3 Y.O. KINDER NEWS - MARCH 2019

3 Y. O. KINDER CURRICULUM: As all parents will be aware, our kinder program is based on the Victorian Early Years Learning & Development Framework. Learning at kinder occurs through a play based program, which supports the children's development of skills in the 5 outcome areas of: Identity, Community, Wellbeing, Learning & Communication. The front notice board and the room walls have signs explaining the framework in more detail and we encourage parents to read these and ask staff if you would like to know more about the curriculum. Most of the families would have received their child's individual plan for this term and are welcome to give us your feedback. I'm still working on the plans of children who have started last in the 2 weeks.

Details of the specific programs for each group are always available for parents and children to look at in the program and the visual reflective journal (next to the sign in book at the front of the kinder). This contains program goals and strategies as well as photo stories that tell you what the children have been learning and how it relates to the framework. Parents are most welcome to write comments in the journal or chat with staff about the program information.

This term we have been mainly focused on building a trusting relationship with the children and their families whilst observing their individual interests, strengths and needs, so we can work closely with their families to assist their child's development of skills at Kinder. Most of our children have learned the basic kinder routines which includes: looking after their belongings- putting their kinder bag on their dedicated picture hook, putting their lunchbox and drink bottle on the trolley, remembering where to find their lunch box during the snack time, choosing activities independently and remembering the toilet routines...etc.

We continue to practise more positive ways to share equipment with others, to use words to express frustrations, to learn ways to self-regulate when we feel frustrated and angry, to play safely and group time routines...etc. These details are huge learning steps for our little 3yo's to take in. Some children are adapting faster than others. It's not a competition but a progressing learning journey.

We have been set up many familiar and simple learning activities for our children, so they feel comfortable to participate. This final week of the term, we are going to have more exciting and fun science experiments for our children to participate in. We have started our egg experiment with vinegar to dissolve the egg shell last Wednesday. We are going to continue our scientific journey with many more experiments such as: pumping up a balloon with a reaction, exploding volcanoetc. Please watch out for upcoming exciting science stories from your little one......

Thanks to all the parents who continue to help through roster.

Diary Dates:

Term 1 ends: Friday 5th April Term 2 begins: Tuesday 23rd April No Session: Anzac Day Holiday Working Bee: Sat 27th April

Kinder Open Day: Sat 4th May 10am-12pm Kinder Photo: Monday 13th & Tues 14th May

Rabbit Rearing-4 weeks beginning, Monday 7th Oct