



# September Newsletter



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Management Committee Meeting Wednesday 20th  
September @ 7.30pm

Bunnings BBQ: Sunday 17th September

In complying with the National Quality Standards, we ensure that a copy of the Law and Regulations can be accessed by families, including those seeking to enroll their child at the service?

To access it go to <https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/view/html/inforce/current/sl-2011-0653>

## WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK!

How can we make our newsletter better?  
What information would you like us to include?  
Call us on: (02) 6021 7597  
Or EMAIL [admin@yarrunga.com.au](mailto:admin@yarrunga.com.au)



Yarrunga can now be followed on Facebook and Instagram



## Yarrunga Policies:

Just a reminder to families and for all our new family's information - our policies can be accessed on our website [www.yarrunga.com.au](http://www.yarrunga.com.au) and the password is 2640

## Policies/Procedure/Reflection being reviewed this month:

Health Policy—Medical Conditions

Sleep Check procedure

Lockdown procedure

Excursion policy

Authorization form



## NO FOOD FROM HOME!

A reminder that we have children attending Yarrunga with severe allergies to dairy, nut, and sesame. Anaphylaxis is a severe and potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. We want to do our best to keep those at risk safe.

Please refrain from bringing food from home. If you are bringing treats to share for your child's birthday, please check with room educators for allergies prior.

## CHILDREN'S WET BAGS & HATS

If you would like to purchase a Wet Bag or a Hat for your child/ren, please see the display in the office for available colours. Wet Bags are \$10 each & Hats are \$20 each. Please see Deb or Leah for more information.



**Congratulations to our Yarrunga families that have welcomed a baby boy & brother: Grant, Sadie, Reggie, Fletcher & Hallie - Baby Bobbie**



## STAFF NEWS:

We would like to thank once again all our wonderful staff for going the extra mile when it's needed. And to all our beautiful supportive families, thanks for all your ongoing support and encouragement every day.

Kaitlin has started her parental leave in order to get some much-needed rest.

We also say goodbye to some amazing women this month. Both Tash & Meg will be greatly missed by everyone. We wish them all the best in their new endeavors. They have promised not to be strangers.

**Welcome Sarah!**

Sarah will be working with all the children, not in a specific room. Please make sure you say HI!



**We also Welcome Amy. She will be in the Kitchen, so please make sure you stop by to say HI!**



## NURSERY NEWS- Wilay Room:

Nursery/Toddler (Wilay) September newsletter.  
We have been really enjoying getting outside in the sunshine. So it's time to start bringing in hats from home & children's sunscreen (If you don't want to use the sunscreen provided by Yarrunga).

The children have loved exploring the Nursery backyard watching the diggers, trucks & workman. We have also been practicing the Fundamental Movement Skill of jumping during outside play.



Chrissy, Emma, Kaitlin,  
Serena, Emily and Jay  
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## JUNIOR PRESCHOOL NEWS - Gugubarra Room

We have celebrated many community events with the children such as Pyjama week and Book week seeing all the wonderful character's com in each day was great. We were also able to read books from home.

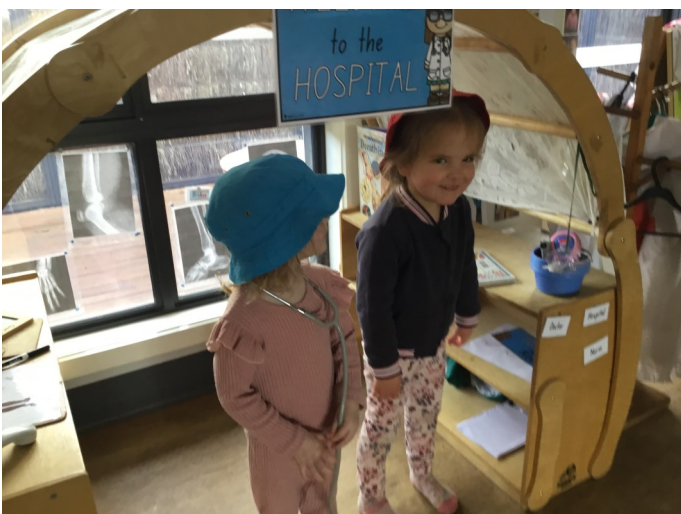
We celebrated Father's Day with our wonderful families and Meg provided pulled pork rolls and a sausage sizzle always amazing to see our families come together for these events. This week was also footy colours and some children participated.

We have rearranged our room to adapt different learning stations and interests this includes our hospital area where the children can use imaginative play, communication and encourages play with peers. We also have a new craft station that has access to craft items and scissors to begin working on cutting skills with our friends.

We have been using the bikes and scooters in the bottom yard and this has been a great activity to ground and extend gross motor skills and burn some energy.

Congratulations to all our families on the birth of all the new Baby's we have enjoyed meeting all the new editions.

Lastly, we are very sad to see Tash leave our Junior Gugubarra Team she will be greatly missed by staff children and the families and we wish her all the best for her new role mentoring at the Star program at James Fallon High, the door is always open.



**Cheers, Gugubarra Team, Natt,  
Tash, Nicole, and Lesley**



# PRESCHOOL ROOM—Dinawan

## Preschool Ponderings...

Welcome to spring! Our Preschoolers are certainly relishing in the opportunities to spend more time engaged in outside play and are showing a keen interest in exploring fundamental movement skills.

These include running; throwing and catching balls; jumping; and balancing. To extend on this and provide follow-up opportunities to strengthen these skills and interests, we will be implementing spontaneous walking excursions to a local park throughout the coming months.



We have also been exploring deep pressure exercises to promote emotional regulation; build overall strength; encourage relaxation; enhance core stability; and encourage focus and concentration. We have had many laughs whilst doing this, as we play wheelbarrow races, practice yoga, and test out our balance!

Our Home Corner has had a bit of a brighten up with a hair and beauty salon 'make-over', stemming from recent interests in hair styles and fashions. There have certainly been some fun and whacky styles produced by our budding apprentices



Small group games continue to draw the attention of Preschoolers, especially the 'Schoolies', as they seek educators and peers to play games revolving around letters, phonics, and numbers. Popular requests include Bingo! and Uno!



Until next month,  
take care!

Team Preschool

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# EDUCATIONAL LEADER:

## MID YEAR ASSESSMENTS

Thank you to all families for your thoughtful responses to your child's Mid-Year Summative Assessment follow up goals. Assessment 'of children's learning' is when educators review children's achievements and capabilities at different timepoints, such as mid-year or for their transition to the next room / school. We make professional judgements about children's learning progress over time to show the 'distance travelled' by learners. And we reflect on how your child is engaging with social and physical environments through relationships and play. Learning Outcomes are most likely to be achieved when educators work in partnership with children and families. Your input into planning for future goals greatly enhances ongoing learning and wellbeing as we build on the strength of each other's knowledge and skills.



## ASSESSMENT AND RATING

We should receive our draft report within the next week. We are all eagerly awaiting our results and can't wait to share them with our Yarrunga family because you are the backbone of everything we do, and we appreciate it!

## EDUCATORS' DAY 2023

We all enjoyed a lovely sunny day, well wishes from children, families and colleagues, and the most delicious lunch provided by Yarrunga's Committee.





# Fathers Day Lunch 2023





# CHICKEN STROGANOFF WITH BROWN RICE

1Kg Diced Chicken Breast (can also use Beef Strips)

1 Onion Diced

1 Clove of Garlic

150g Mushrooms Chopped

1 Zucchini Diced

150g Baby Spinach

1tbs paprika

1tbs Worcestershire sauce

2/3 Cup Beef Stock (use more if needed)

1dsp Dijon Mustard

100ml Sour Cream

Fry off Chicken in some oil, drain off excess liquid.

Add in vegetables, spices, mustard & stir through mixture.

Add in beef stock & Worcestershire sauce & simmer till all is cooked adding in baby spinach before serving.

Serve with brown rice.