# YARRUNGA ELC



Newsletter

Important dates:

Fathers day luncheor 12.9.24 RSVP 5.9.24

Footy colours 9th-13th September

Committee meeting 18.9.24 7pm

AGM 7.30pm Wed 20th November

Sun safety- Please provide a hat

Child protection week

Staff News...Olivia will be going on 7 weeks leave at the end of September to spend quality time with her family while travelling. We will ensure familiar educators Jay and Serena are in the room in her absence.

Welcome-**gawaymbanha**— to come, to tell, or welcome

Good morning-marang ngarin

Good evening- marang yariya



Goodbye- yanhanhadhu to leave



You may hear and see more Wiradjuri words in our learning community. You can access the Wiradjuri dictionary app online to listen and research language

Care requirements 2025 due for return 20th September



## Committee members wanted for 2025

All positions will be open for nomination. If you would like to join the Committee for 2025 please see Deb for a nomination form.

Yarrunga is Community based and not for profit, without a parent committee our service will not be able to operate.

List of roles

President-Vice president

**Secretary-Vice secretary** 

Treasurer- Vice treasurer

General Committee





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https://www.footycoloursday.com.au/s/845/4206/e

Educators Day 4th September

Team building Aerial Yoga @ Boyd's fitness









# YARRUNGA ELC



# What's hot in Aunty Amy's Kitchen ....

## Chicken Lasagna

Oven 180 Degrees Cook time 60 Minutes

## **INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 Large Onion Diced
- 3 Garlic Cloves Diced
- 1 Kg Chicken Mince

300 G Button Mushrooms (Blitz in processor if you need to hide these )

500 G Spinach Leaves (Blitz in processor if you need to hide these )

- 1 Large Zucchini Grated
- 1 Large Carrot Grated
- 1 Litre Chicken Stock

250ML Thickened Cream (Blitz and add Silken Tofu in processor if Dairy Free)

Lasagna Sheets

Salt and Pepper

Cheese for top layer (Kids will eat anything with a melted cheese layer)

If dairy free you can make a white sauce with rice milk

### METHOD:

In a pot fry off onion and garlic till tender, add mushrooms and stir till softened.

Add chicken mince and stock. Break up mince to fine pieces and slowly bring up to boil.

Add other vegetables and season.

Add Cream, you may not need the whole bottle, it depends on taste. It just wants to look creamy.

Build the layers of meat and lasagna sheets. Top with Cheese and bake.





# **WILAY ROOM**

## Yarrunga Early Learning Centre Newsletter

## Reminders

- Olivia will be on Annual Leave Friday 20th September, returning Monday 11th November. Jay and Serena will be filling in for her while she is gone.
- We will be celebrating Father's Day with a lunch on the 12th of September
- We will have a student in the Nursery starting late Septembe

## This month we:

- Celebrated Book Week 17th-24th
- Celebrated
   Science Week
   10th-18th

**Book Week** 

We celebrated Book

about the characters in the books that were brought in.





























We started off science week with a painting activity in the Nursery yard. The children took turns at rolling different textured balls in paint to create different effects on the paper. We also created a sandpit volcano using vinegar, bi-carb soda and food colouring. Our toddlers experimented with salt painting.











As we start heading into warmer weather we're asking all parents to supply hats for their children and their own sunscreen if your child has sensitive skin. We also ask to make sure your child's belongings are labelled.

Mandaag guwu (Thank you), Wilay Team (Liv, Emily, Rae, Serena and Jay)



# **GUGUBARRA**

## Yarrunga Early Learning Centre Newsletter

## Reminders

- Please ensure your child has a seasonallyappropriate change of clothes in their bag daily
- As the UV index increases, we are requiring hats and sunscreen be worn during outdoor play. Children are asked to provide their own hat and sunscreen, if unable to wear the brand that we provide.

## This month we have...

... excitedly embraced back-to-back national weeks celebrating Science and Literacy.

We had a wonderful time exploring a variety of kitchen science projects as we observed Science Week, incorporating art and everyday phenomena into our hands-on experiments.



We predicted what would happen when we mixed the primary colours together, before dropping them into a bowl of full-cream milk. We then added dishwashing liquid and marveled at the results.

"WHOOOOAH!"

"The colours are moving!"



Class members relished the opportunity for dressing up and exploring different characters in their games and self-initiated social play experiences. It was wonderful that so many families got involved and shared special stories from their home library. Thank you to everyone who actively participated and shared in the fun!



Sharing stories from home is a beautiful way to celebrate families and include home cultures in our everyday program.

Coming together to tell stories is an ancient custom observed by cultures all around the world and by yarning we acknowledge and take part in an ancient First Nations practice. It is a time to learn and share, enjoying company and building on home literacies and language.



# **DINAWAN ROOM**

Yarrunga Early Learning Centre Newsletter

## Reminders

- Borella House visits—
   Friday 6th, 20th, 27th
   September. 10 children per visit
- Father's Day Lunch September 12th
- Sunscreen application and own hats if possible

## This month we have...

Hosted a mini Yarrunga Olympics! The children were so excited to participate, and even more so when they won their medals for first, second, and third. They were all good sports and cheered on each other as they participated in our games. We had corn hole throwing, long jump, 100m race, shot put, and obstacle course race. We also were involved in an art project, making our own Olympic rings!

We have been busy making our Father's Day gifts and have loved listening to their responses in their, 'All About Dad' section.

Small group times have been introduced in the past week as a way to break up the day and provide some structure in a smaller, more focused way.

September 12th we will be hosting our Father's Day lunch and we invite anyone that is special to your child's life to attend. Please RSVP to a room educator or the front office.

Book Week was celebrated during August and lots of friends dressed up. Our display wall looks awesome and will be up for another couple of weeks. We enjoyed an excursion to the library the week before this with a walk through the Wiradjuri museum as well.

We have been researching a Wiradjuri word each week that coincides with what we are learning about. So far we have focused on sport and father in our room, with the other rooms choosing friend and story. There is a Wiradjuri app that you can download to follow on your child's learning with them.





















# **EDUCATIONAL LEADER**

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Therapeutic Family Interventions: Working together to achieve change

Professional Conversations with families (cont.)

## PHILOSOPHY REVIEW 2024

# BELONGING, BEING AND BECOMING PRINCIPLES \* Secure, respectful and reciprocal relationships \* Partnerships \* Respect for diversity \* Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives \* Equity, inclusion and high expectations \* Sustainability \* Critical reflection and ongoing professional learning \* Collaborative leadership and teamwork \* Description of the provision o

We have finished updating the key wording in our Philosophy draft and welcome any further feedback...

## 2022 Version:

relationships
Relationships are central to

everything we do. We value equitable, respectful and reciprocal relationships between educators, children, families and community. Relationships create a sense of belonging and promote wellbeing for all.

educators

We value and support each other as equal team members, dedicated to continual development as both individuals and a collective.

Learning is strengthened as we mentor others, share ideas, collaborate on decisions and reflect on our practices. We are committed to the health and wellness of educators and staff.

children

Children's voices guide our curriculum. As each child learns through play, they follow their own interest which is scaffolded through intentional teaching. We embrace diversity, encourage self-expression, creativity, exploration and risk taking to develop a strong sense of self and respect for others.

environment

We are committed to providing a nurturing and welcoming environment within an inclusive natural atmosphere. We believe sustainable practices empower children to construct knowledge, explore values and develop an appreciation of the environment which lays the foundation for an environmentally responsible adulthood. community

Each family is unique and brings richness in culture, values, beliefs and practices to our community growing us all. We foster these family influences and promote partnerships with First Nations Peoples and the wider community to grow a sense of connection and inclusion for all.



our philosophy ١



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## 2024 Draft

## Revised wording in blue

Relationships are central to everything we do. We value equitable, respectful and reciprocal relationships between educators, children, families and

community.
Responsive, nurturing
relationships are intensified as
educators and children play

belonging and promote wellbeing,

Relationships create a sense of

educators

We value and support each other and work collaboratively using a Shared Leadership model. We are committed to the exploration of contemporary approaches in Early Childhood Education and Care including Holding the Space, Dadirri, 8 Ways of Learning.

Professional learning is strengthened as we reflect on our practices and mentor others.

We are committed to the health and wellness of educators and staff.

children

Children's voices guide our curriculum. As each child learns through play, they follow their own interest which is scaffolded through Intentionality. We embrace the beauty and individuality in daily rituals which engage children and enhance predictability.

Self-expression, creativity, exploration and risk taking develop a strong sense of self and respect for others.

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We believe contemporary approaches to sustainability spanning environmental, social and economic dimensions, empowers children to construct knowledge about the needs of today's world with consideration for the needs of future generations. offuture generations.

Active citizenship is enacted through respect, inclusion and helping others. It involves being connected to our local community and embracing the many ways of knowing, being and belonging.

We endorse partnerships with First Nations Peoples which strengthens our relationships creating an authentic journey of Reconciliation.



our philosophy

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?

Access via 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





#### 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.

Policies/Procedure/Reflection being reviewed this month:

Philosophy and Compliance policies and procedures

Please see foyer display for changes

#### Yarrunga Policies:

Just a reminder to families – our policies can be accessed on our website www.yarrunga.com.au and the password is 2640

## **WEEKLY MENU**

Our weekly menu ids displayed in the foyer

## Home App

Please check your home app for your billing account and statement as these will no longer be sent via email.



## CHILDREN'S WET BAGS & SUN HATS

If you would like to purchase a Wet Bag or a Sun Hat for your child/ren, please see the display in the office for available colours.

Wet Bags are \$10 each & Sun Hats are \$20 each.



At 6-12 months, babies can have breastmilk, infant formula or small amounts of cooled, boiled tap water. At 12 months, <u>healthy drinks for children</u> are breastmilk, full-fat cow's milk and tap water.



Reminder to please bring a broad brim sun safe hat for your child as the days are becoming sunny. All children require sun protection when the UV reaches 3.

Raising Children Network have wonderful free and up to date advice and support for families on all topics



raisingchildren.net.au