



Welcome Back!

We hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas/New Year break and are all ready for the exciting year ahead! We can't wait to hear all about your holiday fun!

Each term we will be emailing out a new newsletter and new term roster. Please ensure you are keeping up to date with the up and coming events at Gulliver's

In getting to know your child, could you please bring in a family photo so we can add it to our family tree to allow your child to feel a sense of belonging at our service.

We can't wait to meet all our new families!

Playgroup

Playgroup is on every Tuesday between 9am and 11am. \$3 per family, no joining fee. All ages welcome.

Playgroup resumes on 23rd January with Miss Britt and Miss Lilly.



BYO Morning Tea, Water Bottle and a hat for children and guardian.

GULLIVER'S TERM ONE

Newsletter

What's On This Term

Term One starts - 22nd January

Australia Day holiday - 26th January

World Tutu Day - 2nd February **(Come dressed in a Tutu)**

Healthy Lunch Box Week - 5th February

Valentine's Day - 14th February

National Love Your Pet Week - 19th-23rd February

(Bring in photos of your pets)

National Sea Week & Clean Up Australia Day - 4th-8th March **(Come dressed in all things ocean on the 6th)**

St Patrick's Day - 18th March **(Dress up in green)**

Harmony Week - 19th-22nd March

Last Day of Term/ Good Friday Holiday - 29th March

GOONDIWINDI & DISTRICT FAMILY DAY CARE ASSOCIATION

CO-ORDINATION UNIT

Nominated Supervisor / Senior Co-Ordinator - Tracey
Jeffery

Co-Ordinator / Educational Leader - Natalie Coote

Administration Officer - Cath Billsborough

GULLIVER'S MOBILE CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Educator - Chris Leahy

Educator - Leah Turvey

Educator - Paris Robinson

Educator- Natalie Coote

Educator / Playgroup facilitator - Brittney Adams

Educator Trainee / Playgroup facilitator - Lilly
Kopittke

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this so we can update this information.

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Term 4 Overview

Term 4 was packed full of a lot of Christmas craft making, Santa visits and water play activities!

A lot of our children did their transition days at school for their introduction into Prep! They enjoyed their last weeks at Gulliver's before off to big school.

The children were all very excited for Christmas Party week having Santa visit and bring them a special gift, as well as our sausage sizzle and watermelon! We finished off the day with water activities in the sprinkler.



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Gulliver's Travel's Mobile Children's Service**



Storypark is an easy to use private online service that helps educators, parents and families to work together to record, share and extend on children's learning.

Term 4 Overview - Mobile

We started off Term 4 in full swing with Sun Smart Week, we had lots of conversations about sun safe clothes, applying sunscreen and wearing a hat. We all learnt the “Slip, slop, slap, seek and slide” song which is quite the tongue twister!

The Moonie children were lucky enough to be invited over to the Moonie RTC to have a special guest from the Chinchilla RTC read them the book “Snap”, it was a very interactive session with puppets, songs, and lots of fun. The Yelarbon children visited the Yelarbon State Primary School to visit Miss Giese and the school children. We shared some songs and read the book “10 green bottles”. We had a rotation of art activities that kept all the children very engaged.

During week 4 we decided to encourage all the children to dress in red as it was “Day for Daniel Day”. This sparked lots of conversation about why we are wearing red? who was Daniel? and we watched an educational video on “Australia’s Biggest child safety lesson” created by the Daniel Morcombe foundation.

Then we had a cheeky little visitor that would come and cause havoc, he would make messes and leave notes. The children were ecstatic to see Elfie return, which sparked conversations about writing to Santa. Who knew Santa would reply with so much glitter in the envelope!! This started off the Christmas spirit which led us too making Christmas craft from recycled matter, cooking, singing, dancing, audio books and lots of glitter!! Who knew there was fairy bread week, well there is, we all had a ball making and eating the yummy fairy bread. Then to finish off the year we had a week off parties to celebrate with water fights, water pistols, messy play, yummy food, dancing, and Santa visited to bring us all gift and lollies.

GET TO KNOW THE EDUCATORS



MISS NAT

Position: Educational Leader

Qualifications: Diploma of Early Childhood

Years in the sector: 5 years

Hobbies: Netball and camping

Pets: Dogs and chickens

Family: Three Daughters



MISS CHRIS

Position: Educator in the rural & remote areas

Qualifications: Diploma of Early Childhood

Years in the sector: 17 years

Hobbies: Tennis, gardening & visiting my grandy's

Pets: Cat - Sooty

Family: Married with 5 children, 4 grandchildren



MISS LEAH

Position: Educator

Qualifications: Diploma of Early Childhood

Years in the sector: 8 years

Hobbies: Fishing, camping, online shopping

Pets: Dog - Duke

Family: Mum, Dad, 2 brother & 1 sister



MISS PARIS

Position: Educator

Qualifications: Studying certificate 3 in childcare

Years in the sector: 1 year

Hobbies: Netball, Touch Football, Gym

Pets: Dog - Alfie

Family: Mum, Dad, 1 brother & 1 sister



MISS BRITT

Position: Educator

Qualifications: Studying certificate 3 in childcare

Years in the sector: 1/2 a year

Hobbies: Going away, relaxing, socialising

Pets: Dog - Ollie

Family: Mum, Dad, 1 brother & 2 sisters



MISS LILLY

Position: Educator

Qualifications: Studying certificate 3 in childcare

Years in the sector: 1 year

Hobbies: Fishing and camping

Pets: 2 dogs - Stella & Spooky

Family: Mum, Dad, 6 brothers & 4 sisters

MEET SID THE SLOTH



This is Sid the Sloth. He is our class pet this year! He is a happy sloth. He loves going on adventures and having his photo taken. Each week, a different child will take Sid home for an adventure and help him experience life outside of Gulliver's. You will return Sid the following school Day to share what you and Sid got up to.

SHOW & SHARE

Show and share is a much loved experience for children and educators. Children benefit from this group experience as it helps them speak in front of a group, builds confidence and builds on communication skills. Bring in something you've created, something you've found or something you were given.

Please no toys.

HEALTHY LUNCHBOX RECIPE



STRAWBERRY AND YOGHURT LOAF

INGREDIENTS

1/2 Cup Caster Sugar
1/2 Cup Desiccated Coconut
150g Butter
2 eggs
1/2 Cup Greek Yoghurt
Grated Lemon Zest
1/2 Cup Self Raising Flour
250g Strawberries
Icing Sugar to dust (optional)

METHOD

1. Preheat oven to 160 degrees, grease a 22cm x 8cm loaf pan.
2. Roughly chop the strawberries and set aside. Melt the Butter.
3. Whisk the caster sugar, coconut, melted butter, eggs, greek yoghurt and lemon zest in a large bowl.
4. Gently fold through the self-raising flour and the strawberries.
5. Spread the mixture into the prepared tin and bake in the oven for 60 minutes or until a skewer inserted into the middle comes out clean.
6. Allow the loaf to cool in tin for 10 minutes before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely.

THINGS YOU NEED FOR GULLIVER'S

Sun Safe Hat
Library Bag
Sleeping Bag
Water Bottle
Healthy Lunch Box
Spare Clothes (Weather Appropriate)
Shoes

Children will not be accepted into Gulliver's without shoes! Please also apply sunscreen to your child prior to arriving at Gulliver's.

Sleeping bags are to be brought to Gulliver's and taken home each day.

We have some Gulliver T-shirts available in the office if required as soon as possible. Shirt orders can be placed in week two of term.

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