

From The Co-ordination Unit

This year is well and truly flying by for us all. That in mind with Christmas holidays and next year creeping upon us, now is a good time to talk to your educator about care over holidays, holidays you may be taking and care for next year.

We would like to congratulate Heidi from Rockhampton on winning Central Queensland Educator of the Year. What a great achievement.

We recently held our AGM and would like to thank all previous committee members and welcome all new members to our committee.

Our new Management Committee for 2019-2020

Amanda Aylwin— President

Cindy Woods—Vice President

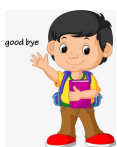
Joanne Sloss—Secretary

Fran Woods—Treasurer

General Members—Narelle Aust, Sarah Prior, Melissa Hill & Leanne Collyer

During the holiday period the office will be closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day and the 2nd of January.

We would also like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



LAST DAY ABSENCE REMINDER - If your child is finishing care with your educator you are able to terminate care with one weeks' notice and all fees are to be paid in full prior to leaving the care. Should your child not attend this period child care benefit is not payable and you will be required to pay the full fee to your Educator.

IMMUNISATION REMINDER

It is a requirement for our scheme to have an up to date immunisation record for each child in care.

Please remember after each immunisation to send us in an updated copy.

This can be:

- an official record issued by the Australian Immunisation Register
- a letter from a recognised immunisation provider (e.g. a GP or immunisation nurse).



The Personal Health Record (the 'red book') from Queensland Health is not acceptable proof of immunisation.

Protect your skin – stay SunSmart every day

To minimise your skin cancer risk protect your skin every day with a combination of these five steps:



Please ensure your child has sunscreen applied before coming into care each day. This will be reapplied as necessary throughout the day.



Colour Changing Milk Experiment

- 1—Pour some milk into a shallow container
- 2— Add a few drops of food dye in the middle. Its best to use a few colours
- 3— Use cotton bud for the next part of the experiment. Dip it into some dishwashing liquid. Predict what will happen when you touch the tip of the cotton swab to the centre of the milk. It's important not to stir the mix—just touch it with the tip of the cotton swab. Go ahead and try it.
- 5- Add another drop of soap to the tip of the cotton swab and try it again. Experiment with placing the cotton swab at different places in the milk. Notice that the colours in the milk continue to move even when the cotton swab is removed.



Heidi's Family Daycare



Central Queensland Educator of the Year Award.

To be such a small service and get this recognition is incredible, firstly I would like to take the time to thank all of the parents that are or have been apart of my family day care service, I could not do this with out you all. Secondly everyone that got behind me and voted, and last but not least GOONDIWINDI AND DISTRICT FAMILY DAY CARE. Thank you for all the support I have been given not just this year but over the 9 years I have been working in the field.



Leanne's Little Footsteps Family Daycare

The day care children were very excited when they discovered a baby possum in our garden, the children were gentle and kind displaying care and empathy towards the possum, we are now following up on a variety of learning opportunities to learn more about possums



Chloe



Flynn



Miranda



George

The children have enjoyed playing in the mound of sand while using the dump trucks to top up our sand pit



Archer



George



Sam



Adam

The children have been finding lots of different bugs while exploring in our day care garden and we are following up on learning opportunities relating to this area



Oscar



Archer



Erika