



Newsletter -Winter -2019

Goondiwindi & District
Family Day Care
28 George St
Goondiwindi, Qld , 4390

From The Co-ordination Unit

It's so hard to believe that we are half way through 2019 already and what a big year we have had.

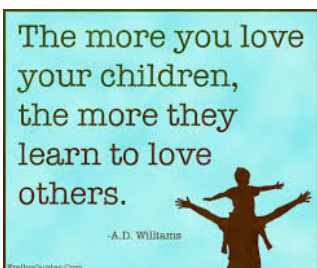
This month we have welcomed Nicole Hayes to our staff. Nicole will be filling the position of Co-ordinator. Nicole has been a part of Goondiwindi Family Day Care Scheme for many years— starting out as the assistant on the mobile in 2011. She then became an Educator with the scheme in 2016, after starting her own family.

We would like to congratulate Tonia who has again been nominated for The Excellence in Family Day Care Awards, Educator of the Year. We wish Tonia all the best as she goes through the submission process.

We would like to farewell Cindy from Toowoomba & Trish from Dalby they will both be greatly missed. We wish them all the best for their future ventures.



To any parents with an Educator using harmony web, it is vital that you verify each week of care. Failure to do so may result in the loss of CCS and full fee will be applied.



FOR A HEALTHY LUNCHBOX **PICK & MIX**
SOMETHING FROM EACH GROUP 1-6!



Developed in conjunction with the Achievement Program to support a whole-school approach to healthy eating.



Healthy and Yummy Lunchbox

Ideas

- Savoury Muffins
- Vegie Sticks and Dip
- Fried Rice



Savoury Muffins Recipe

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups self-raising flour
- 2 cups grated tasty cheese
- 100g mortadella, chopped
- 1 zucchini, grated
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced chives
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup fruit chutney



Method

Step 1

Preheat oven to 200°C. Grease a 6 x 3/4-cup capacity Texas muffin pan. Line bases of holes with baking paper.

Step 2

Sift flour into a large bowl. Add cheese, mortadella, zucchini and chives. Whisk milk, egg and chutney in a jug until well combined. Make a well in centre of dry ingredients. Pour in milk mixture. Using a large metal spoon, gently mix until just combined. Spoon into muffin holes.

Step 3

Bake for 15 to 20 minutes or until a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean. Stand in pan for 3 minutes. Turn onto a wire rack to cool. Store in an airtight container at room temperature.

Leannes Family Day Care



Erika explored her senses through feel, smell and even taste while picking and pressing some chrysanthemums from our day care garden.



The children at Leanne's family day care have been interested in building volcanoes and through this hands on experience they are now learning all about volcanoes.



The children also enjoyed playing with the fallen leaves, jumping onto them and listening to the leaves crunch beneath them. They also threw them into the air and watched them float back down.



Allan & Gails Family Day Care



All the children playing "Caterpillars" with Miss Gail, as she moved her legs like a grub.



Ayvah said "Lets Play Larva", everyone laid on the court and yelled "Larva is going to get us" as we looked into the sky. This was using their imagination.

On such a windy day, we discussed how fast the wind could spin the vanes, and watched them glitter in the sun.



Amelia and Leo building a city. They made lots of towers all different shapes, sizes and colours.



Zach Allan Picton, our newest Grandson, photo taken at his home doing "tummy time".

Goondiwindi Scout Group Community meeting

Venue: Goondiwindi Scout Den, Riddle St

Date: 1st & 2nd August 2019

Time: 7pm – 8pm

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being an Adult in Scouting



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

Each time your child is immunised a proof of current immunisation must be sent to the office.

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 because it only contains handwritten updates

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - 8 week rule and ceased enrolments The Child Care Subsidy System has created an administrative burden on Educators and Education and Care Services due to the security and reporting systems they have in place which are out of our control. There are quite a few legislative rulings that have been introduced that are causing us a lot of additional work and uncertainty, one of these being the 8 week ruling and then applying first and last day absences in these scenarios. The 8 week rule and ceased enrolments came into effect on the 2nd July 2018. How this is applied; A child is absent for 8 consecutive weeks without attending a session of care with the service, the child's enrolment will automatically cease (this is noted in the parents mygov app) and a new enrolment confirmation will need to be reactivated by the service and confirmed in the mygov app by the parent and be required to confirm the booking again as per a new enrolment. However, if any of the following scenarios occur, absences that are classified as first and last day absences the CCS payment will be revoked automatically by CCS and parents will be liable to pay full fees for the period of time dating back to their last day in care.

Overseas travel—CCS will stop

- If a child leaves the country for more than 6 weeks.
- If a child leaves the country for more than 6 weeks, returns to Australia, then leaves the country again within 6 weeks.
- If a child leaves the country to live in another country.

Periods of long absences—CCS will stop

- If a child does not physically return to care within 8 weeks (sometimes applicable after 6 weeks in FDC due to services processing of timesheets on a fortnightly basis and the system not adjusting to these processes) – this is referred to as the 8 week ruling



Communication:

Ensure to communicate with your educator at all times – Whether you are running late to pick up your child, or your child is unwell.

Also please ensure your educator is aware of any changes to your contact details (e.g. phone, email, physical address, etc.) and any other information that your educator should know.

