



Term Dates:

Term 3: Wed 1 Aug – Fri 28 Sep

Term 4: Tues 16 Oct – Fri 14 Dec

Term 3

Date	Time	What's On
Next Week		
10/09/18	10.15-11.00am	'Intro to Preschool' talk at Play Group with Kay
10/09/18	7.00pm	Board Meeting
11/09/18	9.30am	Musica Viva Incursion
12/09/18	AM	Bushlink
13/09/18	3.15pm	Preschool Information Session 'Gender Identity and Gender Expression'
Week 8 onwards		
21/09/18	1.15pm	Group 3 plays – hall
24/09/18	AM	Healthy Harold – part 1
25/09/18	AM	Healthy Harold – part 2
28/09/18		Term 3 finishes
Term 4		
16/10/18		First day Term 4
30/10/18	9.30 – 11.30am	Preschool Open Morning
31/10/18	All day	Friendship Seed Day
05/11/18	9.30am	Tinkering *helpers needed
11/11/18	tba	Kinma Care Day
15/11/18	Morning	Tinkering *helpers needed
01/12/18	4pm	Gratitude Gathering – all welcome
06/12/18	9am-10.30am	Kids Christmas Market
14/12/18		Farewells - Term 4 finishes

Preschool Parent Information Session

Thursday 13th September, 3.15pm

'Gender Identity and Gender Expression'

Admin

ROADWAYS AND CAR PARKING

Because the road outside the School is narrow and busy with cars and buses, there is a one way system in force between the hours of 8.30am -9.30am and 2.30pm - 3.30pm. Between these times, please enter through the bottom of Coolowie Road and exit up the hill. Please don't park in the staff carpark at any time. Please don't park in the bus zone as buses need to park to pick up children.

FEES

Fees are now overdue, we would really appreciate you paying these as soon as possible.

HATS AND WATER BOTTLES

As Spring is with us and the warmer weather is here, please pack a water bottle and hat in your child's bag. We've seen a steady trickle of children coming up to office to borrow spare hats.

THANK YOU GROUP 1 PARENTS

Thank you to all the Group 1 parents who came to the Morning Tea today. It was wonderful to share what's happening and to hear your feedback.

BUSH REGENERATION

A small group of people meet every 2-3 weeks to continue the work of the natural bushland at Kinma. If you have an interest in coming along to one of the sessions could you please email Claire or Julie.

Carin, Narelle, Julie, Claire

Preschool

THE BIKE THEME CONTINUES.....

Recently we had a Bike Servicing Centre following on from all of our week of bike riding. We had a pump, tools, lubricant and some rags to get it all going. We brought out one bike at time. Some of them were easy to attach the pump and others required quite a lot of effort and trial and error.



Amelia pumped whilst Max and Lennis looked over the wheel and waited for their turn. We applied lubricant to the chain because it was quite stiff and rusty. Elijah and Max helped with the application by scrubbing with a brush and rubbing off with a rag.



Bowie, Elijah, Max and Elodie worked on a bike to get the tyres pumped up. They discussed how to have the pump attached and looked over the training wheels. They discussed whether they use training wheels at home or not.



The last bike we worked on had a completely flat tyre at the back. We tried pumping it but it did absolutely nothing! So we set to work to remove the inner tube to see if we could patch it up. It took quite a few goes to pry off the tyre. Lennis, Bowie, Dylan and Gabo all tried. Felicity and Karthi were trying as well with all sorts of tools. We eventually got the tyre undone and saw that the inner tube had been torn at the valve. We could not remove the inner tube from the bike because it would need to be cut off to be removed. We tried a few different ways and discussed our options. We ended up deciding that someone else might have the

answer so we left a sign on it at the front gate saying "Does anyone know how to fix this tyre?" We will see what happens!

From this experience the children are learning about taking care of resources, to have respect for the things that we use. It is empowering them to know that they are capable of fixing and mending equipment. All of the children knew how to use the pump, they understood that we take off the valve cover and pump it up.

We will continue to develop the interest in bikes. Ideas include using the pathway between Preschool and hall and making an outlined path up onto the grass to try out mountain biking, as some of the children have been calling it!

All bike riders are aware of safety e.g. wearing shoes and helmet when riding a bike and being in control of the speed so you can stop easily.

SHOWS

The stage was set.... The tickets were distributed.... The spruiking had commenced....

“Show’s starting, Show’s starting, Show’s starting”

The crowd started to pile in to ‘theatre’ with eager anticipation and excitement. They chose their seats and took in all of the staging that was set before them. The puppet theatre was set up with the chairs in front of it and block area had been built by Lennis and his dad (who was at Preschool for a parent morning tea).



As the buzz quietened we found out who the first act was going to be. It was the cats Elodie and Louella... They crawled around the stage and danced a little to the songs and nursery rhymes that were playing.



Next Jael did his show which was musical and fun. He moved around the block enclosure and crawled over the walls and under the bridge which toppled a little but he continued on with the show. What a professional!

Sean joined in for the next act and they were drawing messages to each other as they did the show. More of the building tumbled which caused much laughter and joyous noises.



Sean was also an audience member with Gabo and their face decorations added to the hype and fun. They watched intently and clapped as the shows started and finished, showing how supportive they are as an audience.

Coco was one of the last shows. She was a cat who crawled over the audience members. She said “you can pat the cat if it comes close to you”, which they did!

We love having shows and look forward to more star performances. Seeing as other shows lately have been in the trees it was interesting to see them come inside as well. In the afternoon there were more shows that used some great costumes and outfits!



Imagining

Collaborating

Turn taking

Listening

Pretending

Role Playing

Respecting

Welcoming

Exchanging

Enjoying

Asking

Belonging

From Felicity, Christine, Lizzie, Karthi, Nina and Kay

Group 1

What a wild immersive experiences our theme has provided us with this term!



We took ourselves on journey back in time where we had limited tools and clothing was on the cusp of being invented! We brainstormed what clothes are made up of; leather, cotton and wool. Using cotton as an example, we pinched a bit off some cotton wool tips and looked closely at the hairy strands. Andy brought in an invention which turned his mobile phone into a microscope! Using it, we could see all the individual strands that go together on our jumpers. This paved the way for talking about the different ways we can weave things together and opened the door for parents to come share their knowledge and skills of all things fabric!

Callum and Kathleen brought in their lovely (and very heavy) Singer sewing machine. Callum demonstrated how the machine worked and then we helped Kathleen cut and sew fabric to create pillow covers. Amy brought in an abundance of colourful wool and crochet needles! Paired with Sarah, she taught us how to finger knit and crochet. The mastery of the skill turned to enjoyment, with several Group 1ers taking every free choice and lunch time moment to do some crocheting.

Andy foraged and rediscovered the old loom from the archives to talk about weaving, which was then applied on a large scale to our fence around Terra Firma. Kate and Tom assisted Group 1ers in their first plaiting experience, as we added to Kinma's giant ball of friendship bands.

A fantastic day with busy fingers and lovely chatter amongst friends.





Week 5 was pottery week. Making pots using two different methods. We used the pinch pot technique, making a sphere then using our fingers to pinch out our pot shapes. Some of us then went on to rolling out a long 'snake-like' piece of clay which we circled around to create coil pots. After we formed our bowl shape, we ensured our pots surface was smooth and leak proof we then decorated them.

Using only bamboo skewers, many people discovered different ways to use them. Using the thin point end to draw lines, creating indentations using the side of the skewer and creating dot patterns. Group 1 CANNOT wait to be able to take their pots home... once they have dried :)



MOSAIC MADNESS!



This week we explored the ancient art technique invented by the Greeks... Mosaic tiling!
Ewan explained to us that mosaic tiling was a way people used to make pictures, using pieces of rock and pebbles.

We also watched a short video of Tibetan monks using a similar method of mosaic art. Mia McP observed that they used crushed marbles and crystals through a tube to create a picture. In this case, it was a mandala that represented medicine and life. It took them so long to make it! It was a great opportunity to talk about how people adapt the same technique according to their culture.

Then it was our turn to create our own mosaic masterpieces.

"We made them by getting the seeds and arranging a pattern next to our cardboard tile. Then we glued the seeds on in the same pattern." - Zoe

Zoe created a temple, Olive and Mia did their names, Gus created a person and others created intricate patterns, like Teo's circle mandala

Inventions are everywhere and it is so exciting to be exploring them and creating our own!



Sharing Rosters

Below is our sharing roster for the remaining weeks of term 3! Our rosters are always available to eyeball next to the big bear chair in Oceana and Terra Firma!

Terra Firmians		WEEK	Oceanians	
Tuesday	Thursday		Tuesday	Thursday
Astrid Bambi Cedric	Diesel Eloise Evie	8	Anica Camille Darcy	Eli Ella Ewan
Jasper Jonah Lenny	Lucas Mia McP Nate	9	Gus Harley Hugh	Josh Joshua Jun
Rafferty Samara Sigrid Teo	Tim Willow Zeon Zoe	7	Leni Max Mia Mo Mit chy	Olive Poppy Sanda William

“Have a great weekend and we hope you’re enjoying school” - Cami

Group 1, Andy, Kate, Alley, Grace and Tom :)

(Photos selected by Harley)

Extras



Wildlife-friendly gardens

Saturday 8 September, 10am - 1pm

Learn how to attract native species to your garden. Make a bee hotel, seed ball or model a mini garden. There will be talks from local wildlife experts, native plant giveaways and advice on composting and worm farming. Bring the kids with face painting and hands-on experience with native wildlife.

Coastal Environment Centre, North Narrabeen

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FAMILY FUN DAY

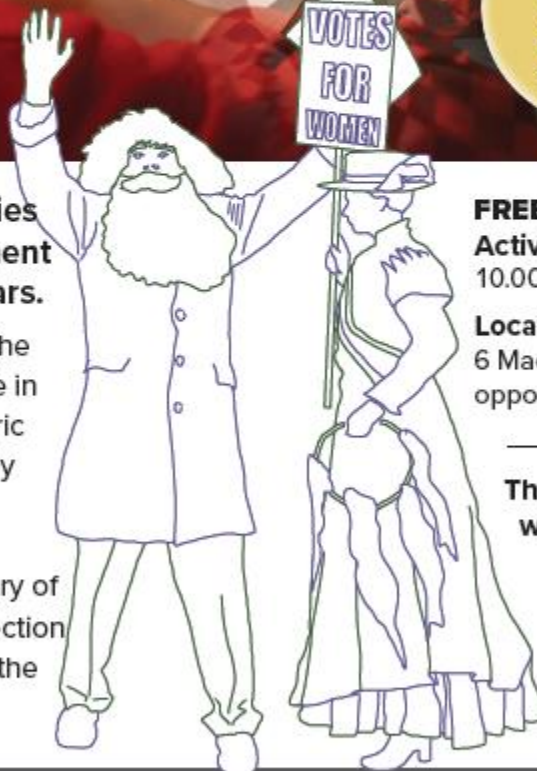
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October School Holidays!

FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER
10 AM TO 3 PM



Free fun educational activities at Australia's oldest Parliament for children from 4 to 12 years.

Follow the children's trail; enter the guessing competition, participate in the arts and crafts; visit the historic legislative chambers places rarely open to the public. Engage with roving historical characters and celebrate the 100 year anniversary of women becoming eligible for election to parliament and admittance to the legal profession in NSW.



FREE ENTRY Activities

10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Location

6 Macquarie Street –
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The public café will be open.



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