



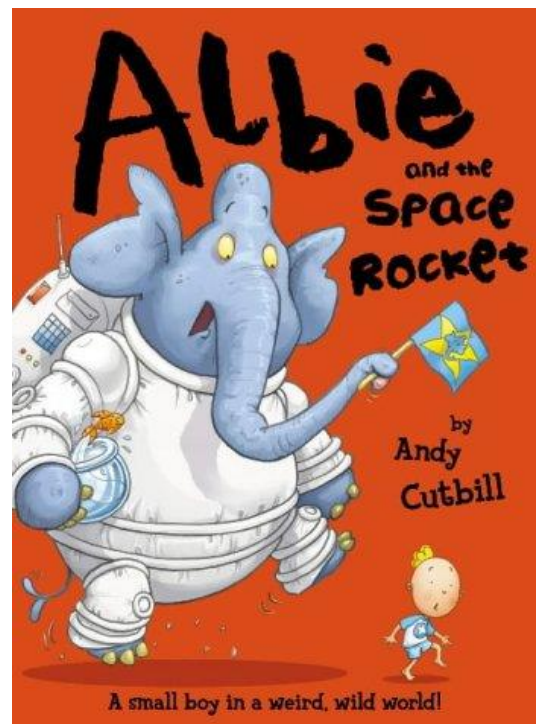
Group 1 News



Poor Albie! During the night some intergalactic penguins entered his house and begin using household goods to build a space rocket to get them home: the stove, an old tennis racket and a tin of baked beans to name a few! Inspired by the penguin's knack of building a machine from recyclables, Group gathered items from around Kinma and began designing our own space rocket.

What could a broken spade handle be? The gear stick of course! An old vacuum hose? The communication system!

Gathering ideas from the individual designs, we collaboratively built the rocket and in 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1...we took off!



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The rocket has been a very popular play place ever since and has been brought into our other areas of learning. As well as counting backwards for take-off, we acted out taking off and landing on another planet. Using chalk, the children then drew their imaginary place and wrote sentences describing it.



William created a 'Candy Land' where everything could be eaten.



Preparing for take-off!

"Pump the engine!" roared Rafferty.



Mini Worlds

From day 1 this term, it became apparent that we had children in the group interested in crafting miniature things. It began with decorating a hollow. This led to the building of little furniture to go inside the hollow...soon children were visiting this magical place to have a look and then- pow! It led to the children making their own miniature 'thing'. They decided what they wanted it to be: a house, a garden, a tree house... Well, out came the hammers and saws, the glue gun and felt and our busy bees got to it! The art room and wood deck were a hive of activity!



Soon enough, the children had created their mini place and in turn, they began making little things to go in their little place. Josh used clay to make a rowing boat for his little character so decided that they must live near water.



Amos spent a day on the wood deck building furniture for his branch creation.

Jonah's tiny tea pot!



Emily and Mia used old pots to create their mini worlds adding staircases and mini bunting!

But what now? Where was this place? Who lives there? Are they connected? With these questions, the group decided to turn these separate homes into a community. We listed the things that are needed in such places and got to building our village.

We'll give an update in the next newsletter!



Zoe created a fairy garden in an old plant pot.



In other news.... Try as we might, we HAVE managed to organise an excursion to the Powerhouse Museum during their Design Festival!

The Education Program Producer at the Powerhouse Museum has agreed to hold an extra session of the 'Makers and Breakers' workshop exclusively for Group 1 on Monday 12th September (week 8).

We are now organising the finer details and will get further information and a form to complete out to you ASAP. Until then, here is a preview of what will be offered: (<https://maas.museum/event/makers-and-breakers/>):

Calling all mini designers, inventors, dreamers and tinkerers!

Let your imagination run wild at our Maker and Breaker station. Put on your inventor's cap and get busy making machines, contraptions and more using found and recycled materials. Or unleash your inner tinkerer and investigate materials using tools. Take apart everyday items and take a peek of what lies inside.

We will be on the lookout for a couple of parent helpers. If you think that you may be available, please natter with Grace or Andy 😊



Snack attack is a flat \$5 regardless of what bits your child is having, and we are no longer serving juice. Parents making Snack Attack - please put out water for the kids to drink.

Snack Attack has been a part of Kinma for a very long time...and how wonderful for the children to have their parents come in and fill the air with a good home-cooked meal. There have been some amazing foods and traditional goodies that parents have become loved and famous for.

There are 64 children in the Primary and 28 in Preschool, approx. 10 adults on Wednesdays.

We have 17 gluten-free, 10 dairy-free children, and 3 vegetarians. If your child is any or all of these 3, please let me know.

Usually we have 2-3 parents that come in on a Wednesday and one makes the Main and the other Dessert...or you do it all together on the day. It is a great way to meet and get to know the parents of Kinma and spend the day with the children.

Like everything at Kinma it is a very relaxed easy day. There are not many rules, all we ask is for it not to be too junky and offer vegetarian, dairy-free and gluten-free options.

The kids really enjoy Snack attack, and it's great when we can make Snack Attack happen every week. Below are the dates for Term 2 Snack Attack.

PLEASE REMEMBER – We do not use nuts or nut products anywhere at Kinma.

August 24 th	Preschool
August 31 st	Gemma, Neil + 1 helper needed
Sep 7 th	
Sep 14 th	Sam, Sam & Stephany
Sep 21 st	Sally G & Liz B

If you have any questions or want to contribute please email me at hayleyjl@tpg.com.au or call 0435 145 486. Thanks,
Hayley Lewis (Turiee's mum)

Some examples of successful meals have included Chicken wings/ drumsticks and salad, tacos, nachos, pasta dishes, pizza, sushi, quiche, fruit and yoghurt, baked apples with cream/yoghurt, natural ice blocks... and much more.

All expenses for ingredients are reimbursable.