

Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2



Time for some fun!

Dear Parents

Welcome back everyone. All our staff have had a relaxing break, and we hope you all enjoyed a good holiday too. It has been lovely to see how excited all our children have been to return to pre-school this week. There have been big smiles at the gate each morning and lots of news to tell about holiday activities. Over the break our staff enthusiastically planned a wonderful term full of activities, and we are determined to make the most of the mild weather while we can. This term we welcome back Mrs. Holmes to her Thursday/Friday teaching role. Mrs. Holmes class will be talking about Mothers Day, Autumn and Space. Mrs. Sumpton's group will be learning about the Sea, and discussing Mothers Day. Our Four/Five Year Old Groups will be talking about the Alphabet and having fun with various themes focused around their weekly letters.

We got the term off to a Healthy start this week with a visit from Healthy Harold. Donna from the Life Education Unit visits us each year with her wonderful puppets and through stories and games gives our children a healthy eating and active living message that our teachers will continue to build on throughout the year. We have other dates for your diary, including our pre-school open mornings and a visit from the Lizard Man and a Dog Safety presentation. Please refer to our list to the right, and cut it out for your fridge.

Just a few housekeeping matters;
When packing for pre-school each day

please ensure that your child is prepared with changes of clothing that are appropriate to the season. Regardless of their age, each child needs to be prepared in case of accidents/spills. It is now necessary to also include a warm jacket/jumper in case of unexpected cool changes. A hat is still required for outdoor play, as well as a water bottle each day.

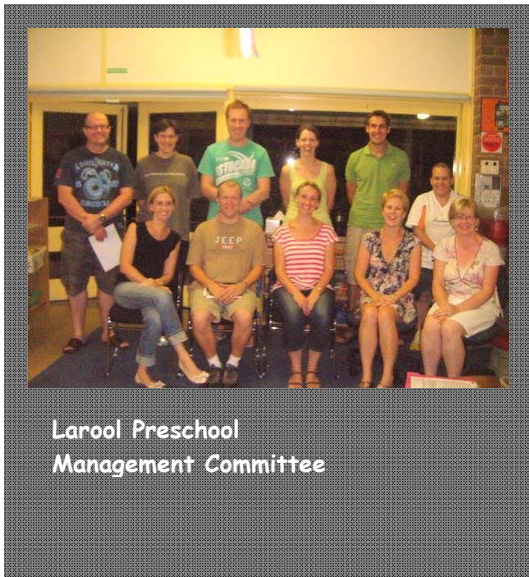
With the cooler weather, there will be the usual viral and bacterial diseases. Please remind your child to wash their hands regularly, particularly after toileting, before eating, and after blowing their nose. Tissues are readily available in the classrooms, and it is helpful if you can encourage your child to learn to blow their nose, and to dispose of tissues in the bin. Naturally, staff are on hand to assist where needed, but encouraging self help skills early is of benefit.

We hope you are enjoying the new driveway. A special thank you to all those committees past and present who have worked so hard for a great result. Don't forget we have a Bunnings BBQ coming up on 1st May and still need some volunteers to help out for an hour. This term we are celebrating Mothers' Day with handmade craft and a stall - thank you to the SPLAT helpers, who will be arranging this. Please give your teacher your child's money, and we will make sure they have it to spend. Library has also commenced from this week. A big thank you to Caroline Nicholson and her team of Library Mums, Library is on Tuesday and Thursday morning each week, and on Wednesdays every 2nd week.

Enjoy the weeks ahead. Michelle

What's on at Larool

- Monday 19th April
First day of Term 2
- 20th & 22nd April
Healthy Harold visits
- Monday 26th April
ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- Saturday 1st May
Bunnings BBQ
- Week of 3rd - 7th May
Mother's Day Stall
- 11th & 14th May
Room 2 Open Mornings
- 18th & 21st May
Room 1 Open Mornings
- Thursday 27th May
Term 2 Fees due
- Monday 14th June
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- Friday 18th June
LifeStart Fundraising Afternoon Tea
- 22nd & 25th June
Lizard Man visits
- Friday 2nd July
Last day of Term 2
- Saturday 14th August
Trivia Night



Larool Preschool
Management Committee

Larool Preschool Policy Review

In line with our Community Services licence requirements, we are currently undertaking the review of all Larool Pre-school Policies and Procedures.

In term 2 all policies and recommended amendments will be reviewed by Larool staff members and a representative of the Management Committee. Their comments and recommendations will then be collated and incorporated, where appropriate. The final draft of all policies will then be ratified by the full Management Committee.

If you have a comment to make or would like to review a specific Larool Pre-school policy, please speak to Michelle Healey.

Library News

Here it is at last, the preschool library for 2010.

First I would like to say a big thank you to all the parents that put their name down to help. It's wonderful to see some returning volunteers, as well as the new parents that have volunteered. If you didn't get to put your name down and would like to volunteer you can email me at jaffapies@yahoo.com.au.

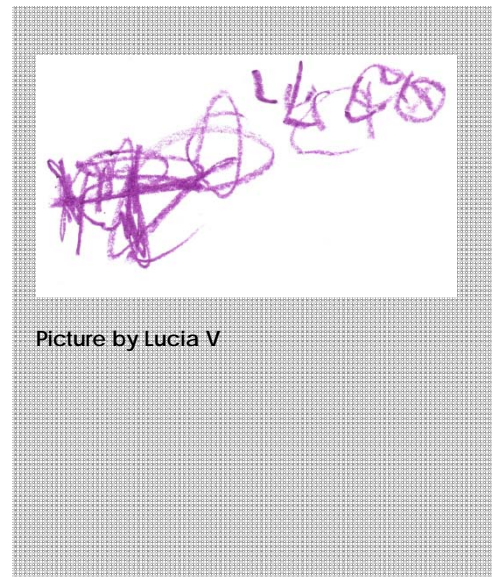
Library is open to all the children at the preschool on a Tuesday, Thursday and every second Wednesday. Library runs from 930am on these days.

Please Note; If your teacher has asked for your child's library bag, your child will bring this home with their first book that they have borrowed. If not could you please send a bag with your child on their first day of library?

Please make sure that your child brings their bag with their book each week. In order to protect our library collection, if children do not return the library book and/or does not have a bag then borrowing will not be possible.

I hope that everyone enjoys the selection of books that your child brings home this term. Happy reading!

Caroline Nicholson - Coordinator



Picture by Lucia V

Drop-off Routine

When arriving at Pre-School each morning, encourage your child to assist with putting their morning tea and lunch into the baskets provided, and placing their own hat, drink bottle and bag in their locker. This helps to develop independence, and gives children the confidence of knowing where their belongings can be found.

It is helpful if you remind your child of where the toilet is, and then help them to greet staff in their room, and settle them to an activity. If you are unsure when to take your leave, please check with staff. All our staff are very experienced, and happy to answer questions and help where they can.

If you require a little extra time for a chat, please make arrangements with your teacher for a mutually convenient time, possibly at the end of the day.



SPLAT Update

We hope you enjoyed the activities in term one. This term we are organising a Bunning's BBQ, Mothers day stalls, Picture plates, coffee drive and a clean-up Larool/picnic day.

Information flyers will be posted on the notice board and in your locker pockets. *As always, you only need to be involved in the events of your choice.*

This term is a great chance for you to help Larool with your time. We will need volunteers for the BBQ the mother's day stall and the clean-up day. Sign-up sheets will be available prior to each event. Please consider helping Larool for an hour or as long as you can, it costs nothing but some time and a smile from you.

We have started planning the Larool trivia night. This night is our biggest fundraiser/social event of the year and it is always great fun. SPLAT have changed the format of the evening slightly and chosen a theme. Information on the evening and how to book a table will be available soon.

Larool Trivia Night "Back to the 80's" Saturday 14th August 2010.

Book the babysitter, find your leg warmers and scrunchies, listen to your old records, dust off the Rubik's cube and think about who you want on your table...

If you can help with a prize donation for the night we would love to hear from you. Please speak to a SPLAT parent or email us at splat@laroolpreschool.com.au.

Larool t shirts, hoodies and pillow bags are available for sale. Please look for Jenny Robertson in the playground on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

The next SPLAT meeting will be at Larool preschool on Wednesday 28th April at 7.45pm, all welcome.

Have a safe and happy term,

Kath Knowles
SPLAT President 2010.



HAPPY SPLATTERS!!!

The wonderful people of
SPLAT 2010



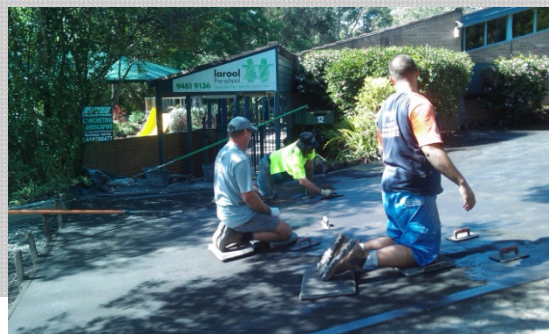
New Developments @ Larool

When you arrived for your first day back at preschool you may have noticed a little bit of a change. Over the school holidays the team from Hayes Industries have worked hard on our driveway so it is ready for our first day back. It looks fantastic!!

As with all great projects, a spectacular team effort needs to be congratulated. Many thanks to our previous and current management committees for all the hard work and time spent bring this to fruition.

Also, it is important that we acknowledge the wonderful work of our current & previous SPLAT committees. Without their drive and hard work the funds for such enormous capital projects would need to be raised from not so appealing alternatives.

Most importantly of all a big thank you to the parents, extended friends and family and Larool community who have contributed to the outstanding fundraising events held by SPLAT such as the Trivia Night, Family portraits, and Bunnings BBQ.



This Space is available!

Do you have a budding Picasso at home? Do you know someone who would love to see their art in the Preschool Newsletter?

If you would like your child's artwork to appear in our newsletter, put it in the Fees box with your child's full name on the back.

Their masterpiece will be returned to you.

