



Centre opening hours.
7:30 AM - 6:00 PM

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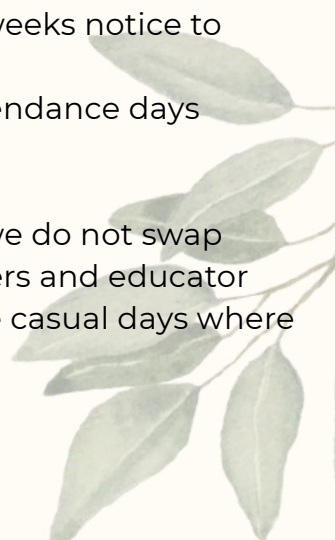


We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land where we learn and play, the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation. We pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



Reminders

- **Parent Mobile Phones:** Please be reminded that we request that all mobile phones are put away when entering the gate and that no photos are to be taken inside.
- **Centre Information Folders:** All centre information is now placed in folders at the main entrances for your reference. These will be kept at the sign-in table and at the information area near the office. These folders include relevant information on the centre, including opening hours, contact details of the regulatory authority, policies and procedures, etc.
- **Signing in and Out:** It is a legal requirement that parents/guardians sign their children in and out each day. If you do not have a pin please notify the office.
- **Holiday Notification:** We require two full weeks notice to discount your fee for your holiday period. Child must be away for the full week of attendance days (Monday-Friday).
- **Swapping Days:** Please note at Gum Nut we do not swap childrens days due to overall centre numbers and educator ratios, we will try our best to accommodate casual days where possible.



WHATS HAPPENING

Term 3 Calendar

July

1st	Plastic Free July
6 th - 10 th	NAIDOC Week
13th	Term 3 Starts
23 rd	National Pyjama Day - Wear your Pjs! See poster below.
24 th	Scools Tree Day

August

3 rd - 10 th	Dental Health Week
15 th - 22 nd	National Science Week - Seeds of science, Nurturing knowledge for all
19th	International Orangutan Day
22 nd - 28 th	Book Week - Symphony of Stories

September

	Biodiversity Month
	Save the Koala Month
2nd	Early Childhood Educators' Day
7th	National Child Protection Week
18th	Term 3 Ends

OUR KITCHEN

VEGEMITE & CHEESE SCROLLS



Ingredients

- 2 sheets frozen puff pastry (defrosted)
- 3 tbs Vegemite
- 2 cups Woolworths Tasty Shredded Cheese

Method

- 1 Preheat oven to 180°C or 160° fan-forced. Line a baking tray with baking paper and set aside.
- 2 Spread each sheet of pastry with 3 tbs of Vegemite and sprinkle 1 cup of cheese evenly over each sheet.
- 3 Roll each sheet tightly into a scroll and slice the scroll evenly into 12 pieces.
- 4 Lie on the tray and bake for 10-15 minutes.

Does your family have a favorite recipe, dish, or weekly staple you could share with us? It may even be included in our next newsletter!



FOCUS ARTICLE

Understanding Children's Social Behaviour in Kindergarten

Friendships and social interactions are an important part of children's learning and development in the kindergarten setting. As children explore relationships with their peers, they begin to navigate complex social dynamics, including forming friendship groups, negotiating play roles, and resolving conflicts.

It is common to hear children say things such as, "You're not my friend" or observe small friendship groups forming. While these interactions can sometimes be challenging, they provide valuable opportunities for children to develop social and emotional skills, including empathy, communication, problem-solving, and understanding different perspectives.

Children often engage in imaginative play involving heroes and villains, goodies and baddies, or rescue and chase games.

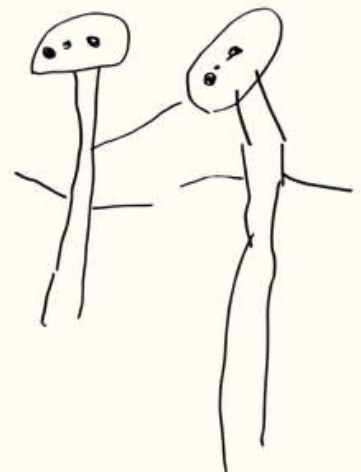
This type of dramatic play allows children to explore themes of power, fairness, bravery, and justice in a safe and creative way. Through these experiences, children learn to negotiate roles, establish rules, and collaborate with others.

As educators, our role is to support children in engaging in safe, respectful, and inclusive play. We encourage children to express their ideas and feelings appropriately, listen to others, and work together to solve disagreements. When conflicts arise, we guide children through problem-solving conversations, helping them identify feelings, consider different viewpoints, and find fair solutions.

Tips for Families

Families can support children by:

- Listening calmly when children talk about friendship challenges and acknowledging their feelings.
- Avoiding labelling other children as "mean" or "bad" and instead encouraging children to consider what may have happened from different perspectives.
- Talking about what makes a good friend, such as kindness, sharing, listening, and including others.
- Encouraging children to use simple problem-solving language, such as "Can I have a turn when you're finished?" or "I didn't like that."
- Reading books about friendship, emotions, and cooperation to support conversations at home.
- Helping children understand that friendships can change from day to day and that it is normal to play with different children at different times.
- Encouraging imaginative play while discussing the difference between pretend play and real-life behaviour, reinforcing that everyone deserves to feel safe and respected.



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NATIONAL
**PYJAMA
DAY**



KIDS IN FOSTER CARE HAVE

BIG DREAMS

YOU CAN MAKE THEM POSSIBLE



**THURSDAY
23rd of
JULY**

**Gum Nut Preschool
& Childcare are
raising funds to
change a life**

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School Holiday Program



WINTER

29 June - 11 July

Character creation with Angharad Neal-Williams

Join illustrator Angharad Neal-Williams for a magical winter workshop. Learn to design characters step-by-step, then bring them to life with watercolours, cosy outfits and accessories to create your own one-of-a-kind companion. Ages 6+

Comedy games with Coach Mon

Coach Mon is gearing up for a spectacular Comedy Games event... but all her athletes have disappeared! Join her for hilarious activities like eyebrow push-ups and slow-motion running races to keep the games going and get everyone moving. Ages 4+

Cosy colouring

Come along for a cosy, creative morning of colouring in, with winter-themed materials provided. Ages 4+

Crafternoon

Drop in for an afternoon of crafting and decorate your own library tote bag to take home. We'll also have plenty of supplies available for anyone inspired to create something different! Ages 5+

Family Storytime

Join us for half an hour of books and songs followed by a craft activity at our weekend session! All Ages

French circus workshop

Step right up! Move, play and giggle with The French Circus School in this high-energy workshop. Try circus tricks, balancing, juggling and silly group challenges while learning a few easy French words along the way. Ages 5+

LEGO Lounge

Spend your Tuesday afternoons during the school holidays using the library's mega-LEGO supplies at our afternoon LEGO Lounge. Drop in to Fitzroy Library anytime from 2-4pm to build, create, and discover with LEGO. Try one of our fun challenges or get creative with your own design! Ages 5+

Picture book making with Jane Godwin

Bring your stories to life as you learn to make your very own picture book to take home with esteemed author, Jane Godwin! Ages 6+

Planting seeds

Discover nature near you in this hands-on biodiversity workshop! Start with a quick intro to the plants and animals in our neighbourhood, then head off on a mini biodiversity hunt. Meet some amazing native bees and make your own simple bee house to take home and help support local pollinators. Ages 5+

Roarsome Dinosaurs

Step into a prehistoric adventure as life-size dinosaurs roam the library! Meet dinosaurs, take photos, and enjoy a gentle, interactive show. Ages 4+

Snowman lanterns

Learn how to turn a simple glass jar into a cosy winter lantern with earmuffs, a cute face, and a twinkly LED candle in this hands-on workshop with Nikki from See Make Play! Ages 6+

Watercolour workshop

Grab a paintbrush and get splashy with colour at our watercolour painting workshop! Learn a few easy tricks, mix your own shades, and paint a masterpiece to take home. No experience needed, just bring your imagination and have a go. Ages 5+



For Bookings

Call: 1300 695 427,
scan the QR code or visit
www.yarralibraries.vic.gov.au

