

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

July 2026

SECTOR UPDATE!

From the 07 July 2026, there will be an update to the Child Care Subsidy Hourly rate cap.

For Family Day Care the increase will be from \$13.56 to \$14.08!

STATE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

27 JUNE – 12 JULY



Please let the Coordination Unit know if you have school aged children attending for vacation care so we can ensure that the child has a timesheet, and that the child had a CSS enrolment.

All children MUST have a CCS enrolment in place BEFORE care is provided.



Welcome new families!

Marou/Brown, Morris/Ceung,
Jackson/Josey, Quartero,
Boots, Lindsay/Cuter,
Campbell/Abell, Toycher,
White/Doyle, Keates,
Peterson/McMurray,
Elliott/Hughes, McKay/
Robertson

Date claimers

01st- Coming of the Light

5th – 12th NAIDOC Week

17th – Pyjama day

29th - Crazy Hair Day

28th – 3rd – Superhero week

Welcome!

**Bowen Collinsville Family Day
Care would like to welcome
two new Educators to our
Family Day Care team!**



**Shannon from Turtle Cove
Family Day Care in Bowen!**

**Nadia from Little Cupcakes
Family Day Care in Forrest Beach!**





FREE! Professional Development for Educators

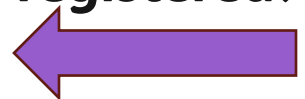
Introducing inclusion: Looking at diversity and adversity through an inclusive framework

Every child has the right to both feel included and be included. Educators play a vital role in ensuring that every child is aware of this right. Supporting all early childhood professionals in understanding how an inclusive framework can support you in creating a culture of responsive and respectful relationships with children, their families, those you work with as well as the community you are a part of.

To register: <https://www.earlychildhoodaustralia.org.au/shop/product/introducing-inclusion-looking-at-diversity-and-adversity-through-an-inclusive-framework/>

EDUCATORS !!

**Have you
registered?**



**Contact the
Coordination
Unit to find
out how!**

**2026 Premier's
Reading Challenge**

The power of reading

11 May – 28 August 2026

qld.gov.au/ReadingChallenge

www.qld.gov.au

owencollinsvillefamilydaycare.com.au



World Ocean's day & environment week



- EYLF LO 1 – Children have a strong sense of identity
- EYLF LO 2- children are connected and contribute to their world
- EYLF LO 3 – children have a strong sense of wellbeing
- EYLF LO 4- children are confident and involved learners
- EYLF LO 5 -children are effective communicators





EDUCATOR SPOTLIGHT

Little Joeys FDC

Name: Kate

Location: Moranbah, Queensland

How long have you been an educator? 2.5 years

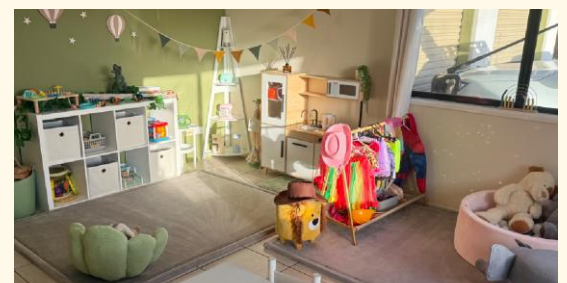
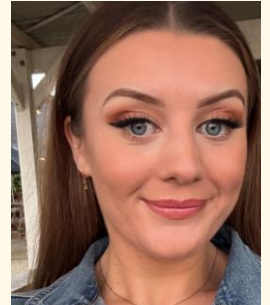
What is your favourite thing about being an educator? My favourite thing about being an educator is watching children grow into their own unique personalities. It is such a privilege to be part of their early years and witness their development, confidence, and independence flourish over time. I think sometimes, as educators, we take for granted just how special our role is.

We are trusted with some of the most important years of a child's life and often spend a significant amount of time with them while they attend daycare. Being able to support, nurture, teach, and celebrate their milestones alongside their families is incredibly rewarding. I feel very grateful to spend such precious time with the children in my care and to play a small part in their learning journey.

How would you describe Little Joey's Family Day Care? Little Joey's Family Day Care is a safe, nurturing, and welcoming home-away-from-home environment where children feel comfortable, supported, and valued. We provide a balance of planned learning experiences and child-led play, allowing children to learn, grow, and explore at their own pace while following their interests. My goal is to create a space where children feel safe, confident, and genuinely at home.

Do you have any tips for your fellow educators? Believe in yourself and trust your skills, knowledge, and instincts as an educator. You know your children best, and confidence in your abilities goes a long way. Build strong relationships with children and families, follow children's interests, and trust your professional judgement and have confidence in the decisions you make.

One of the wonderful things about family day care is the opportunity to be your own boss and create an environment that reflects your passion and values. The time, effort, and love that you put into your service never go unnoticed. Families truly appreciate the dedication and care that educators provide, and the more effort you give, the more rewarding the experience becomes. Are you happy for other educators to reach out and connect with you? Absolutely! I am always happy to connect with other educators, share ideas, learn from others, and build supportive professional relationships within the early childhood community. We all have something valuable to offer, and I love being part of a network that encourages and supports one another.



Slow cooker chicken Tacos



All you need is:

1 x Taco Kit

2 x chicken breasts

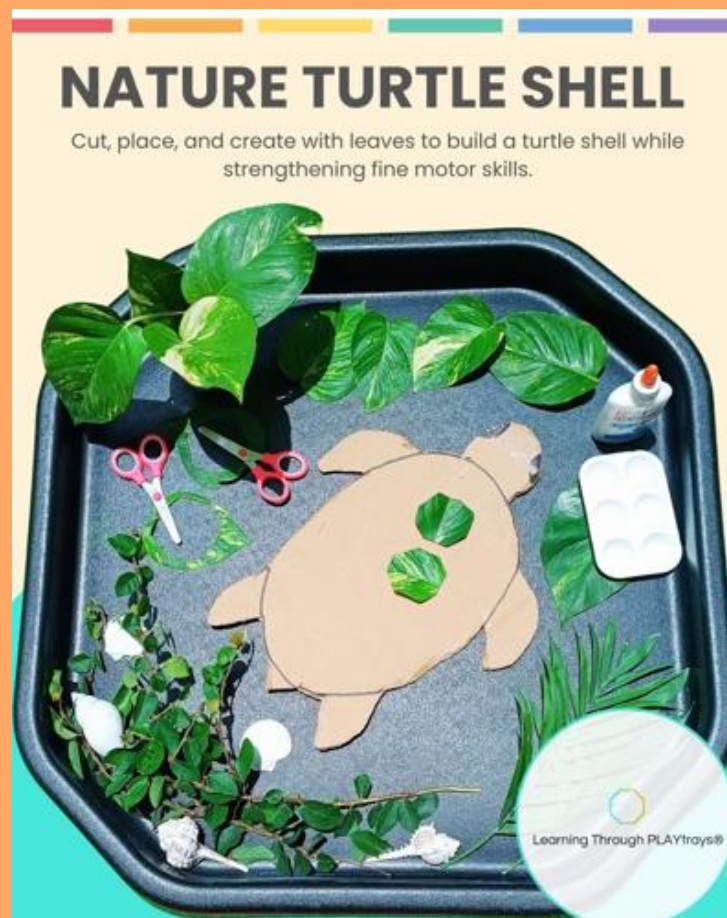
Place chicken, taco seasoning, salsa and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of water to the slow cooker. Cook on low for 4 – 6 hours. Shred chicken and add to your favourite taco toppings.

TIP:

Double the slow cooker mixture (great when taco kits are on sale) and use leftovers as pizza toppings, nachos, loaded potatoes.

SUSTAINABLE ACTIVITY IDEA

Go on a scavenger hunt in the garden to find 'shell patterns', use left over cardboard to create individual turtle 'shells'.





Exploring children's interests....

DINOSAUR



By centering learning around what motivates children, Educators can foster natural motivation, deeper cognitive engagement, and a lifelong love of learning.





the spread
of
GERMS

1



WASH
your
HANDS

2



COVER
your
COUGH

3

STAY HOME
if you're sick



If you're concerned, visit your GP
or call 13HEALTH (13 43 25 84).



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www.birrigubba.com.au

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land upon which we work and live, the Juru people of the Birri Gubba nation, and recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community.
We pay our respects to Elder's past, present and emerging.

Acknowledgement to Country
Wadda Mooli

