

#### MONTHLY NEWSLETTER March 2024

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#### Welcome New Families!

Gann/Grabs, Carlton, Ender Wakeling/Gonnerlli, Singh, Vouyioukas/White, Lewis/Giddy Doughty/Girgenti, Jerrett, O'Rourke/White, Clarke/Cadiao Gibson/Chioulkh. Bullen/Ward. Gallacher/Jamieson, Harker, Johnston.

#### Dates to note:

17th - St. Patrick's Day

21st - Harmony Day

29th - Good Friday

31<sup>st</sup> – Eater Monday

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ARE HERE!! ALMOST



if you have school aged children that do not usually use care, but will use school holiday care, let us know so we can:

- 1. Create a booking/timesheet
- 2. Create a CCS Enrolment this

must be in place PRIOR to care being provided.

Children who do not use childcare for a period of 14 weeks, will have their CCS Enrolment ceased by Centrelink.

## What is a CRN? Why do you **need** it?

How to **find** your child's CRN.

A Customer Reference Number (CRN) helps identify your Centrelink record.

Looking to enroll a child in child care? You'll need their Customer Reference Number and the Customer Reference Number of the parent/guardian who lodged the application for the

If you have received the paid parental leave or have been approved for the CCS, you'll be able to find your child's CRN via the Centrelink Express Plus mobile app.

-> sign into your Centrelink Express Plus mobile app.

->Select Profile

-> Navigate to **Relationship & family details** to view your child's CRN.

# SIGN IN HERE

REMEMBER TO
SIGN IN AND OUT OF
CARE

IT IS THE LAW!!

# Educators and parents!

Please ensure that all children are signed in and out of care.

Educators – if a child attends for casual session please ensure that the session is added prior to the child attending so there is provision for the parents to sign in and out of care.





Bowen/Collinsville Family Day Care is welcoming Narelle back into her role as a Family Day Care Educator based in the Tully region.

Each child is unique, curious, and capable learners, my program is design to facilitate learning by listening to the children and being responsive to their interests. I acknowledge that children will do this at different rates and through different learning processes, so my program is flexible to support this. Children are encouraged to practice their independence and choice, to try new things and to be positively guided, My program provides intentional teaching moments that are adult lead and opportunities that allow children to lead their peers. Cont..

NQA1 - Educational program and practice

1.1.2 - Each Childs current knowledge, strengths, ideas, culture and interests are the foundation of the program.

Family Day Care Educators have been extending programming supporting children's interests, we have noticed that a theme over the past month....



Congratulations to our Educators for being intuitive to the children interests and creating great learning environments!

















#### !!FREE training for parents and educators!!



Triple P - Positive Parenting Program 🧇

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NOW FREE IN AUSTRALIA

Want to know how to help your child calm themselves down when they feel upset?

 Aussie program, backed by extensive research (35+ years, 180+ studies)



#### .. Celebrating cultures, customs and beliefs..

The Chinese Lunar New Year and Shove (pancake) Day were celebrated by some educators providing children with insight into different cultures, customs and beliefs and expanding the children's insight of their world.









Children connected to

## Natural

## Environment.

Being connected to the natural environment provides children with a sensory rich experience, it helps their soci emotional skills, provides physical activity, assists with mental and all over wellbeing. Did you know that children who are connected to the natural environment also have better risk management skills, communication, decision making and negotiation skills?

Some insights into some of the natural environments where the children participate in cultivating a worm farm watering plants, planting seedlings, and harvesting

produce! Creating a

wetlands sensory activity, rock climbing, frog finding, natural colour hunting, searching for bugs, catching bugs, creating a forest fort,

messy mud play, experiencing the rain, investigating fungi, Catching tadpoles...

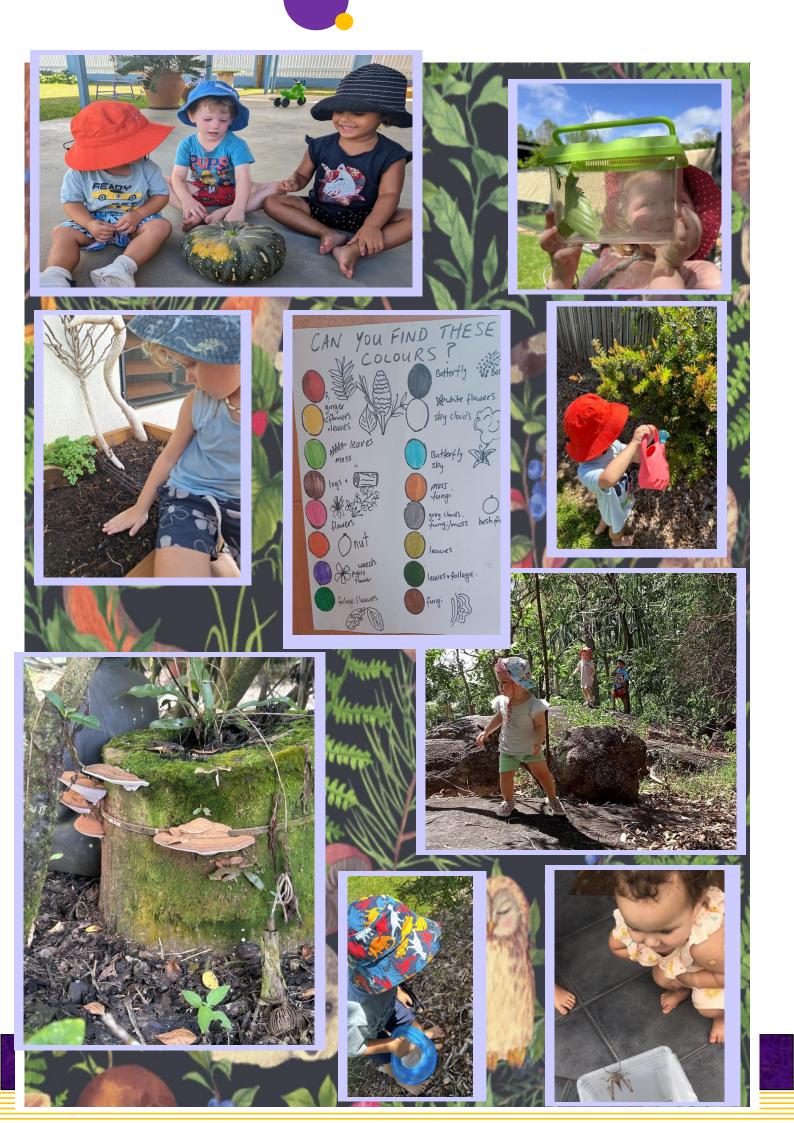




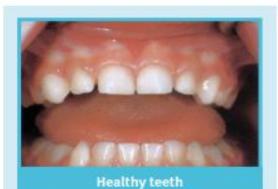








## Lift the Lip to check for decay





Early signs of decay: White lines along the gums can be the beginnings of tooth decay



More advanced decay: Can look like brown spots on the teeth



Lift your child's top lip to check for early signs of tooth decay.

Please seek dental advice if you notice any change in your child's teeth.

Metro North and Metro South Oral Health Services welcome all children 0 to 17 years of age referred by CYCHS - Child Health Service.

For more information contact Oral Health Services

Phone: 1300 300 850

www.health.qld.gov.au/metronorth/oral-health

A joint initiative between Metro North and Metro South Hospital and Health Services and Children's Health Queensland, Original concept produced by SA Dental Service.







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### Valentines Day

Valentines' day is an opportunity to introduce to children the concept of expressing their feelings for someone they care about. We think that the educators went above and beyond to create craft and sensory experiences for children.















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# Recipe Idea - Carrott Cake Energy Bites. Egg and dairy free!

3 medium carrots

1 Cup sunflower seeds

1 tablespoon coconut oil

½ teaspoon ginger dried

1 Cup oats

½ Cup dates

1 teaspoon cinnamon

Desiccated coconut

1. Place carrots in a sturdy food processor and blitz until very finely chopped.

2.Add remaining ingredients, excluding the desiccated coconut and blitz until the mixture comes together into a large ball. This may take some time, 5 or so minutes of blitzing but be patient it will get there.

3.Using a teaspoon form balls, the mixture will be quite sticky (because of the water content of the fresh carrot), but the texture improves once you roll in coconut. (Keep your hands damp it stops the mix sticking to your fingers)

4. Roll the balls in desiccated coconut

5. Refrigerate

Sustainable Craft - Paper plate Easter Baskets





Birri Gubba nation, and recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community.

