



Hunter Mobile Preschool

November 2016
Newsletter



2017 Enrolments

Re-enrolment letters have been handed out for returning children for next year. If you are re-enrolling your child, please make sure you have read through your child's enrolment form, reigned and dated it, and paid the \$55 enrolment fee to secure the position. Please note there is only one enrolment fee per family, and also if your child attends more than one of our venues. Position letters have been mailed to new children for next year. Dates for the start of the new year will be in the next newsletter at the end of this term.

Next Committee Meeting

Our next committee meeting date is Monday 5th December at **9.30am** at our office, 3/5 Anlaby Street Maitland. Morning tea is supplied, and children are welcome.



End of Year Xmas Party Dates:

Vacy

Friday 16th December

Gillieston Heights

Tuesday 6th December

Gresford

Friday 16th December

Lochinvar

Thursday 8th December

Wollombi

Wednesday 14th December

Millfield

Friday 16th December

Is your child starting school next year?

If your child is due to start school next year, the last term of preschool provides a good opportunity to help your child develop the independence that they will require at school. Simple things such as having them be responsible for carrying their back pack, to unpack it when they arrive at preschool, and pack their belongings in at the end of the day. Having food containers that they can open without assistance, and a drink bottle that is also easy to open and drink from. Clearly labelling their belongings helps them to recognise their name, which will help them locate their belongings amongst many other items at school.



This updated brochure on balancing the lunch box has been handed out to all returning families. Please have a look through, there are some ideas for lunches and snacks, and there are also yummy recipes to try.

Toy Catalogues

Thank you to all of the families who supported our service this year toy orders. Once all orders are processed, we will receive credit vouchers from the companies. This will be used to purchase new equipment for our service.

Family Fun Day

Don't forget this Sunday is our Gillieston Heights Family fun Day between 11am – 3pm to raise awareness of our service in this community.

The day will include many free activities such as, face painting, pony rides, preschool activities, petting zoo, and balloons. A sausage sizzle, drinks, and snow cones will be available to buy.

Management Committee News

Each year, our service holds an Annual General Meeting. During this meeting, nominations for the committee positions are carried out. Our AGM is held in March of each year and many of our current Committee Members will no longer have children attending the service next year. Now is a good time to start thinking about joining our wonderful Management Team and having a say in how your preschool operates. The committee consists of Executive positions (office bearers), and ordinary members. The positions include:

President: responsible for the leadership of the committee, liaison with the Director and, often, public relations.

Vice-President: supports the role of the President and acts in their absence.

Secretary: prepares and circulates meeting agendas, keeps an accurate record of meetings, circulates the minutes of meetings, and reports on and responds to correspondence on behalf of the committee.

Treasurer: ensures that the service prepares an annual budget, that profit and loss is monitored, and that correct accounting procedures are in place. The Treasurer presents financial reports to the committee meetings and presents the annual financial statement and auditors report at the Annual General Meeting. In most services, day to day financial administration will be delegated to the Director and a bookkeeper.

Ordinary Members: are responsible for supporting the executive members, participating in discussion and decision making, and supporting organisational activities. They bear as much responsibility for the management and control of the service as the office bearers.

It Makes You Think

The path for your child's future is laid out much sooner than you think. In fact, research shows that children who participate in quality early childhood education, are more likely to arrive at school equipped with the social, cognitive and emotional skills they need to engage in learning. That's why the NSW Government is committed to ensuring that all children in New South Wales are able to participate in 15 hrs per week of quality early childhood education in the year before school, no matter where they live or what their circumstances are. Help strengthen your child's educational journey and enrol them in an early childhood education program today.



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