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NEWSLETTER – November 2020

COMMITTEE NEWS

The Management Committee held their last meeting for 2020 on 26th November. Thank you to those families that came along. The next meeting will not be until term 1 next year. Once the term commences the date will be advertised on the committee notice board along with the agenda one week prior for all new families in 2021 to view.

As this is the final newsletter for 2020 we would like to thank staff, management committee, parent group members and families of Western Suburbs Kindergarten for their support during 2020. We wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas holiday period.

Please remember that the management committee positions and the parent group positions do run through the holiday's right up to the **AGM on Monday 15th March 2021**. (This excludes the Group Rep positions). If you are leaving Townsville when kindy finishes and will not be available to do a hand over of your position at the AGM in 2021 please ensure you advise the Management Committee of this so they can organise an alternative for handover.



2021 ENROLMENTS

There are still a few vacancies left for kindy in 2021. If anyone has family and friends that are looking for kindy for 2021 please let them know that we still have some vacancies and to contact the office via email or phone as soon as possible to secure their child's position for 2021.

The children that are turning 4 from 1/7/20 to 30/6/21 are eligible for kindy in 2021.

LATE PICK UP FEE

We remind all families that we do have a **LATE PICK UP FEE** that the Management Committee can enforce as required right up to the end of term 4. All families arriving late to collect their child will be given a late form to complete and sign and all forms are tabled at the next committee meeting. It is important not only for the staff but also for your children that you collect them on time. After class is the staff's scheduled meal break and they often have meetings and training booked in during this time. If you arrive late this impacts these scheduled events.

Pick up time for group A & B is 2.40pm and group C & D is 3.45pm. Please ensure you are here by these times.

DONATIONS NEEDED

Can you help??

All groups are short on spare clothes for the children, can you help? If anyone has any old shorts / shirts their children no longer wear please consider donating them to kindy instead of the op shops so we have a few spares for children that forget their spare clothes at kindy. Please leave all donations at the office.



If this is your last child to attend kindy at Western Suburbs maybe you might like to consider donated their old shirts, hats and sheets. If they are still in good condition we can sell them for a small price which goes towards our fundraising. Other shirts, hats and sheets can also be used as spares for those that forget theirs on a kindy day. Please leave all donations at the office.



GARDEN ROSTER & WORKING BEE LEVY

Now that the year is coming to an end it is not too late to get your volunteer work done to be eligible for your \$120 refund. There is still a few weekend dates left on the garden roster, first in first serve so get in quick to secure your weekend. Don't forget to complete the indemnity form and return to the office before your rostered weekend. **ALL REFUNDS MUST BE PROCESSED BY THE END OF TERM 4.**



GARDEN PLAQUES

Would you like to become part of history here at Western Suburbs Kindergarten? On the garden edging at the front of the kindy we have plaques that past/present families and staff have purchased. If you would like a family plaque for our garden edging and become part of history at Western Suburbs Kindy plaques are \$50 each. If you are interested please pay at the office and write out the names you would like on your plaque. The plaque will then be ordered and glued on the edging with all the others.

FUNDRAISING AT KINDY

Thank you to everyone that either supported or organised our fundraising ventures this year. We have raised a profit of just over **\$4600** this year towards our fundraising which was an excellent effort considering all the cancellations we had due to COVID.

FUNDRAISING PROFIT:

Containers for Change	\$ 113.40
Sale of 2 nd hand shirts etc.	\$ 111.00
Pie Drive	\$1294.50
Picture Products	\$ 738.05
Christmas Baubles	\$ 212.50
Christmas Raffle	\$2005.32
Entertainment Book	\$ 184.00
Grill'd Community Matters	TBA

Christmas Raffle

Congratulations to the following winners of our Christmas raffle, we hope you all enjoy your prizes:

Alana Maschke	Morrison Family
Etha Aldridge	Lily Flor
Young Family	Alan Stainkey
Debbie Fisher	Ferne O'Brien
Sarah Mansoor	Rowan Pott Family
Andrew Bainbridge	Sandra King
Chris Welladson	Lottie Tiessem
Jason SONDY	Flynn Vardy
Rowan Pott Family	Tamar Thomas
Tate Gatto	Dani Ryan
Shane Dale	Wendy Murray
Oriel Martyn	Christalle Young
Kerry Katsanevas	Lily Flor
Wayne Aurisch	Anne Keen
Charity Steward	Rowan Pott Family
Justine Walsh	Patrick Hamilton
Tracy Gornalle	Tina Mackenzie
Hall Family	Patricia Harrington
Lachlan Watt	Amy Spillane
Thomas McCulloch	Patricia Harrington
Owen Wood	Julie Young
Russarna Gasparini	Rowan Pott Family
Tammy Van Den Driesschen	Ferne O'Brien
Victoria Fleet	Rowan Pott Family
Morrison Family	Patricia Harrington
Lachlan Watt	Alana Maschke
Asher Croyden	

Thanks again to the following businesses and people that kindly donated to our raffle this year. Please support these great Townsville businesses that support us:

Lanskey's Saddlery
 Bedrock Landscaping Supplies
 Greencross Vets Aitkenvale
 Kmart Idalia
 Bunnings Garbutt
 Edward O'Brien - Potter
 Commonwealth Hotel
 Coles Aitkenvale
 Lion Dairy & Drinks
 Making Scents with Leah
 Stampin Up Demonstrator – Russarna
 Billabong Sanctuary
 WSK Staff
 Kindy Families

END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS

The end of year celebrations will be different this year for the children but be assured they will still have a wonderful time celebrating the end of their kindy year with their class mates and teachers/assistants. Details of the group's celebrations are as follows, please refer to notes from your class teachers for further information:

All groups will be having a break up party (during class time), children will bring their usual morning tea that day only and then lunch (pizza) and party treats will be supplied by the centre. Children with allergies and dietary needs please speak to your child's teacher to arrange what lunch your child will have.

Group A – Wednesday 2nd Dec
 Group B - Wednesday 9th Dec
 Group C - Tuesday 8th Dec
 Group D - Thursday 10th Dec

Please remember for the families that have had children in the past this year's celebrations will be different due to COVID-19 restrictions. There will be NO family Christmas party and NO class concerts.

LAST DAY FRAME

During the last week at kindy we will have our 'Last Day Frame' on the front verandah for families to use. Please feel free to take some photos to remember your child's last day at Western Suburbs Kindy. Some of you may remember the same frame that was there on the first day. Please ensure the frame is placed back at the front door for all to use once you have finished.

If you would like your child's 'Last Day Frame' photo to appear on our Facebook page please email your photo to Julie in the office. No names will be placed on the post but feel free to add a comment about your year at kindy.



DATE	KINDY EVENT
2 Dec	End of year kindy group celebration - Group A
9 Dec	End of year kindy group celebration - Group B
8 Dec	End of year kindy group celebration - Group C
10 Dec	End of year kindy group celebration - Group D
10 Dec	LAST DAY TERM 4
11 Dec	PUPIL FREE DAY – no children attend kindy

♥ Children's Yoga & Well-being Classes ♥
2021



This is an 8 week term that will teach your child yoga poses, breathing, and relaxation exercises which cultivate a calm mind, increase strength and flexibility, improve fine and gross motor skills, improve concentration, and give children the tools to manage their feelings.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL FAMILIES

It is lovely to see so many families enjoying our new "Pathway of Hidden Treasures" but very disappointing to see that some of our lovely treasures that have been placed along the pathway have been destroyed or damaged recently. This not only makes the area unsafe for those that enjoy visiting the pathway but it is also very disappointing for the family/ies that have donated these items.

Please be sure when enjoying our pathway that adult supervision is followed at all times and to ensure everyone's safety please ensure shoes are worn. Thank you for your co-operation.

CHILDREN'S & ADULT LENDING LIBRARY

If you still have a borrowed book from either our adult lending library or our children's lending library in the foyer now is the time to return it please as the kindy year is coming to an end. Please remember to record the return date in our lending book located on top of the book shelf.



Thank you to Callum Grant (group B parent) for our wonderful new sign for our Path of Hidden Treasures. I'm sure everyone agrees the sign is fantastic and we all appreciate his creativity, artistic talent and many hours spent creating the sign along with his wife Mary's assistance.

If you would like to see more of Callum's designs follow his Facebook page **Kraken Design Studio** or contact him through his Facebook page for your next creation. Here is the link to his page:

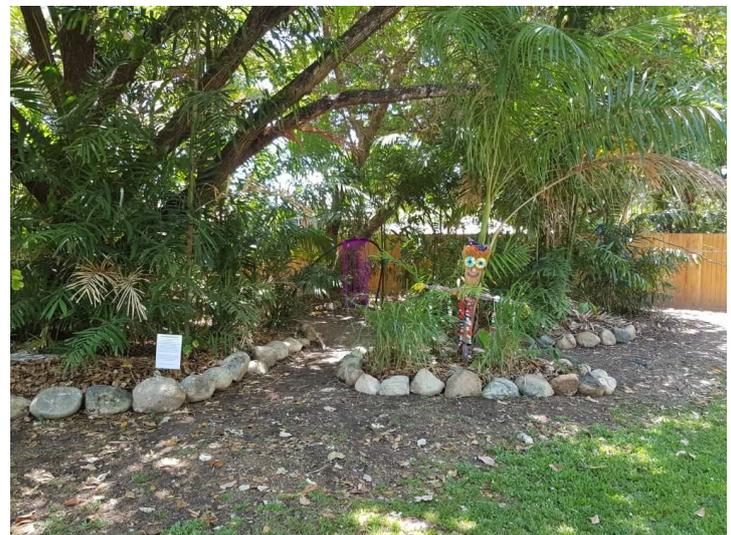
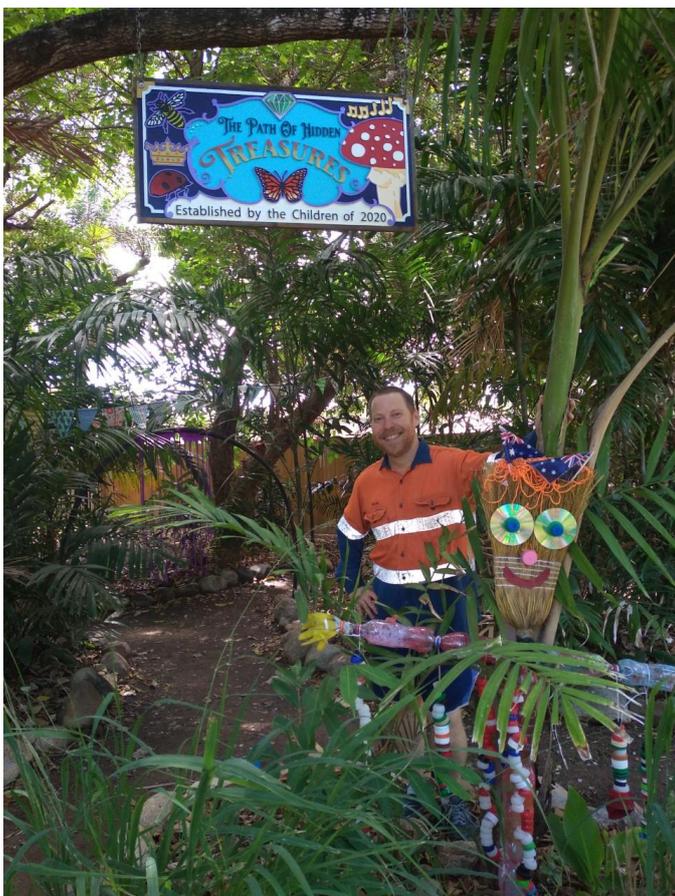
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Callum can also be contacted through email at the.kraken.design.studio@gmail.com



The pathway is looking better each week with the endless volunteer work of Mary who is adding rocks to the edging as quick as we can obtain them.

Please let us know if anyone has any similar sized rocks they could spare or even would like to donate some, rocks vary from \$2 to \$3 each depending on where they are purchased. You might even like to paint or decorate your rock before you bring it in!! If you would like to purchase some rocks to donate but have no way of dropping them into Kindy please see Julie in the office.





Veggie Crepes

makes 10 mini crepes

Vegan | Vegetarian | Gluten Free | Dairy Free | Soy Free
| Egg Free

145grams (approx 1 Cup) peeled pumpkin
70grams (approx 1 Cup) broccoli
25grams (approx 1 Cup) loose spinach leaves

1 Cup Gluten Free Self Raising Flour
2 Eggs or Orgran "No Egg" Egg Replacer

1tbs Coconut Oil Melted
1tbs Mixed Herbs/Spices (whatever you like)
1 3/4 Cups Water (divided into 1/4 Cup and 1.5
Cups)

1. Steam the pumpkin, broccoli + spinach leaves.
2. Puree the steamed veggies with 1/4 cup of water. .

3. In a bowl add the flour, herbs, veggie puree + coconut oil and mix well.

4. Gradually pour in the other 1.5 Cups of water as you continue to mix the batter.

5. The batter shouldn't be too thick. It should be a little runnier than a pancake mix.

6. On a low heat, add coconut oil to the pan and allow to heat up.

7. Pour 1/4 of batter into the middle of the pan and quickly and gently move it around to create a thin and even mini crepe.

8. When the bubbles have come to the surface, flip the crepe and cook the other side. Repeat until all of the batter is used up.

9. Make sure the the crepes are cooled before serving.

10. I spread avocado on the crepes or freshly made hommus (or both), roll them up and serve to Luca. I also give him some fresh veggies on the side.

*if you eat eggs, feel free to use an egg but just watch the consistency of the batter.

** You can spread a homemade dip or spread onto the crepes or even add freshly cut veggie sticks and wrap them up for older toddlers!

SIMPLE HOMMUS RECIPE:

1 can of chickpeas (drained)
1 small lemon (squeezed)
1/2 Water

1. Put all ingredients into a high power blender/bullet or food processor and blitz.
2. Store in an air tight container for up to 1 week.

Hooray! It's time for a **GIVEAWAY!**

We would love to hear what you think of our kindly. We have one adult entry and one child entry kindly donated by Billabong Sanctuary to give away. Write a review on our Facebook page by Monday 7th December and everyone that does goes into the draw to win the prize. Open to everyone, not just current families.

