



# Jesmond Community Preschool

**Week 11, TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2019**

## Jesmond Community Preschool

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### TERM 1

**Last day will  
be Friday 12  
April 2019**

### TERM 2

**Commences  
Monday 29  
April 2019**

### IMPORTANT DATES:

**School Photos  
THIS WEEK  
8 – 12/4**

**30/4 & 3/5  
Life Education  
Van**

**6 – 10/5  
Mother's Day  
Stall**

**Mother's Day  
Afternoon Tea  
8/5**

### **Directors REPORT:**

Hi Families

Many of you may not know who I am so let me start off by introducing myself, my name is Haylee Davis and I'm an Early Childhood Teacher that has been working in the Early Childhood Sector for 11 years (wow that's gone quick). I've been at Jesmond Community Preschool for 7 years this year. I live with my partner, my two little boys Boston (3 years) and Rocco (5 months) and of course our dog Bella.

I've been the Director of this preschool for 7 years. The preschool has grown and will continue to grow over the coming years. It's my second home and my second family. I absolutely love working here as the preschool is a calm, inclusive and a unique service that provides amazing care to all our children and their families (huge thanks to the staff for this).

With that little introduction out of the way we have some big plans for 2019. We have won a grant for an upgrade to our sandpit area which means that we will be having some renovations done over the coming terms. We will be seeking your feedback of ideas on what you would like to see. So please send them this way!!

Also we will be doing some fundraising events, mother's day and father's day events and would love to see if you guys are interested in doing a meet and greet event where you can come along and meet other families. If you would please let us know.

I love to hear our families ideas and thoughts about what we do so if you have any please send them through to [director@jesmondcommunitypreschool.com.au](mailto:director@jesmondcommunitypreschool.com.au) or come and see me or one of the staff members.

Don't forget that you can have a look at your child's portfolio anytime as well and be sure to take the time to look at the daily floor book that has pictures about our day. Anyway I'm looking forward to a fun filled 2019!!

Haylee

## IMPORTANT General Reminders

### HATS AND SHIRTS

If they would like to purchase another preschool shirt its \$15 and hats are \$10! Please see the office for orders!

### SIGN IN & OUT

Please remember to sign your child in and out upon pick up and drop off.

### FOOD & DRINK

Please remember that your child's morning tea needs to be separated from their lunch and placed in the respective room's morning tea box. This is to encourage the children to not eat all of their food during the morning tea period.

Bring a drink bottle

Please follow our healthy eating policy and provide a selection of healthy foods from the five food groups for your child each day. Junk food is to be avoided.

### SPARE CLOTHES

Please remember to pack a spare change of clothes for your child in case of a change of clothes being needed.

## KOALA ROOM

Positions still available on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

We are coming to the end of term one and it has been a busy term in the koala room! We have lots of new faces and many new friendships are being developed as well as old friendships continuing from last year.

We have had great feedback from some of our cultural families having said their English has improved lots since being here at preschool which is lovely to hear. We love feedback and input from parents and families!

This term we have been focusing a lot on emotions, some of the emotions we have looked at so far are angry and sad and how to recognize and understand these emotions and appropriate ways to deal with them. The children are enjoying learning about this and are engaging in great discussions about it. We will start next Term investigating what to do when they feel big emotions of sad or angry so they can work through them, process them and get back to feeling happy and calm again.

Quite a lot of our children who attended preschool last year and some new friends have taken a real interest in identifying letters and also their names written in various places around our room such as portfolios, art work and picture cards. We will continue to foster this interest in early literacy throughout the year.

This term we asked the children for help to improve our gardens in the playground. We carried out a walkabout noticing and appreciating all the living things. We encouraged input voicing ideas and contributing physical skills to implement these ideas. We supported inclusion with shovels, buckets and access to water. The children helped in many ways; mulching, digging, planting flowers and watering. We have learnt that there are many ways we can help the environment and reduce our impact. When we spend time outside, we can explore real life problems and embed sustainability into our daily practices and program.

There has been lots of STEM activities going on too which includes a range or scientific thinking and exploring through experiments, using our smart TV to research things of interest and learn more about them, and many construction based activities which has been keeping us busy!

Don't forget we would love for you to bring in a family photo for our photo wall. We have also had a large focus on sustainability.....

See you next term!

*Sharon, Michelle, Jasmine, Tara & Sophie*

## KOOKABURRA ROOM

Positions still available on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Term 1 has been filled with many opportunities for Kookaburra friends to explore and investigate through science experiences. This interest was supported with the Curious Cubs incursion – an interactive science show.

Bugs and insects have also been explored this term with many children noticing small creatures in our preschool setting.

The Kookaburra children took ownership of establishing a fairy garden in our wheelbarrow. They demonstrated care and respect for the environment as they prepared the soil, chose what plant they would like and colours. The garden is growing beautifully with many friends watering it through the day.

Don't forget we would love for you to bring in a family photo for our photo wall.

*Haylee, Shari, Tiona & Sophie*

# Office News

## OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday - Closed

Tuesday - 9.00am-3.30pm

Wednesday - 9.00am-3.30pm

Thursday - 9.00am-3.30pm

Friday - Closed

If the office is unattended please see staff to leave a message or send an email to Robyn  
admin@jesmondcommunitypreschool.com.au

## Annual Association Levey

The annual association levy will be charged to families at the end of this term. \$5 will be added to your statement if you are a family who returned to the centre from last year.

## Fees

If you are unable to pay your fees for any reason please discuss with Robyn immediately.

Statements will be emailed to families each week on a Tuesday.

### Payments:

Card - Eftpos in office

Direct Deposit -

Greater Bank

Account Name: Jesmond Community  
Preschool Association

BSB: 637 - 000

Account Number: 722 312 198

Use your *child's full name* as reference

## UPCOMING

A form titled 'Barry's Photo Envelope' for ordering school photos. It includes fields for 'Name of child', 'Date of birth', 'Home of child', and 'Day and date of photo'. There are also checkboxes for 'Full length photo' and 'Individual photo'. The form is designed to be filled out by parents and returned to Barry's Photo Envelopes.

### SCHOOL PHOTOS THIS WEEK

All this week Barry will be taking our school photos, this will include a group photo of each class each day and an individual photo of each child. Please bring your envelope with **cash** to order your photos

### Life Education Van – Healthy Harold Visit

Week 1, Term 2

**Tuesday 30 April & Friday 3 May**

Kids will be visiting the life education van located in Heaton Public School at approx 11am for a Harold's Thankful Heart - Belonging & Connecting presentation.

Cost is \$4 which will be charged to accounts. Please advise by 29 April if you do not want your child to attend



### Mothers Day Stall

Week 2, Term 2

**From Monday 6 May until Friday 10 May**

A Mothers Day stall will be available for children to purchase a small gift for mothers day. The children get a wonderful sense of pride and love purchasing gifts for their special person. Send \$2.00 **cash** with your child if you wish for them to participate.



### Mothers Day Afternoon Tea

**Wednesday 8 May 2-3pm**

Open to all to celebrate mother's day!

Craft and light refreshments



## HELP NEEDED



### SPARE CLOTHES

If families have any unwanted children's clothing please bring in for our spare clothes bin – we need sizes 3, 4, 5, 6 to have on hand the change children if needed – anything you can donated would be greatly appreciated!!

### PLANT CUTTINGS

Do you have any plants or cuttings? Please bring them in so we can use them in our gardens and around the centre. The children love to garden and any seeds, plants or cuttings you have would be put to great use.






## Anyone can earn stickers to help local schools


The Woolworths Earn & Learn program gives schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn amazing school equipment. In 2017 we had over 15,000 schools and Early Learning Centres involved, and delivered over 300,000 new pieces of equipment to kids all over Australia.

Here's what to do:



**collect**

Between 1 May and 25 June 2019, collect as many stickers as you can.



**stick**

Stick them on the sticker sheets and give them to your local school or Early Learning Centre. Or drop them into a collection box in store.

Don't forget, you can always download and print extra sticker sheets at [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)

**Need more information?**  
To read our Frequently Asked Questions and Terms & Conditions visit [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)

## WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Support our preschool – if you, your family or friends shop at Woolworths please collect the earn and learn stickers and place in the Jesmond Community Preschool box in our entry or at Woolworths Jesmond. The more stickers we get the more free equipment we can receive for our children!!



## SCHOOL PARKING

Please follow school direction regarding new road and parking



**Heaton Public School**

11 Mar. at 12:42 pm • 🌐

Just a reminder that our new Kiss and Drop Zone is for Dropping Off and Picking Up Only.

Please do not leave your car unattended in this area.

If you need to get out of your car please go to the visitor carpark.



## Callaghan College Development

Information on all the works that have been going on and the future vision of Callaghan campus.



**Sonia Hornery MP**

44 mins • 🌐

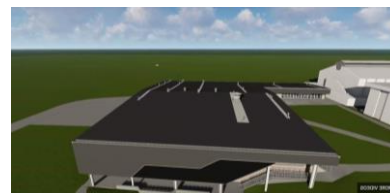
After many years of lobbying the Education Minister, the upgrade to **Callaghan College Jesmond Senior Campus** will get underway next month.

The upgrade will be complete by mid 2020 and will deliver 9 new classrooms, all airconditioned, a performing arts space, a new multi-use hall that will replace the concrete dome, installation of an all-weather cover to the existing basketball courts and a new entry road.

This is great news for the school community.

I look forward to delivering further school upgrades into the future.

Authorised by Kaila Murnain, Australian Labor Party (NSW Branch), 9/377 Sussex Street, Sydney 2000



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Purchase your Membership before the 4 April 2019 and receive bonus offers valued at \$200! Subject to availability.

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