

Rostrevor Kindergarten

Newsletter Term 1 Week 5 February 2018

Diary Dates:

12 th March	Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
20 th March	KESAB (Recycling talk)
22 nd March	KESAB (Recycling talk)
30 th March	Good Friday
2 nd April	Easter Monday
10 th April	Multicultural lunch (Yellow Group)
12 th April	Multicultural lunch (Blue Group)
13 th April	End of term 1

Closure Day Thursday 29th of March

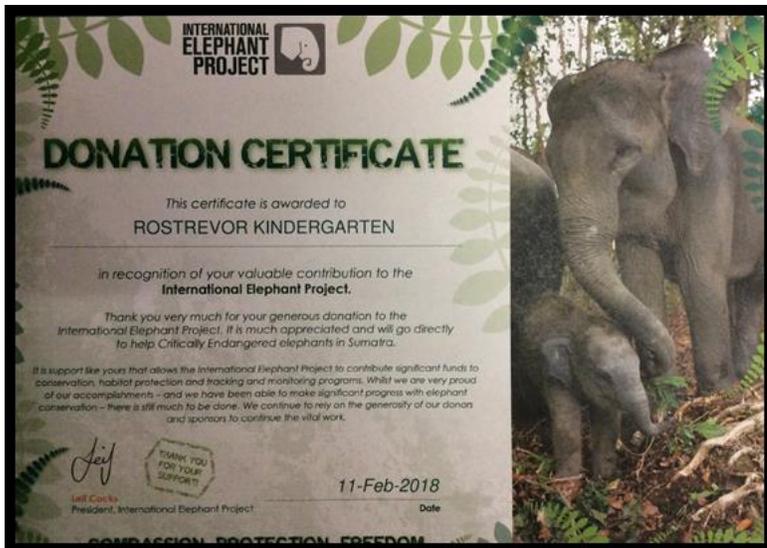
Governing Council approved a closure day for the 29th of March. Staff will be working on the Quality Improvement Plan.

Family Information Sheets

We would really appreciate if families can please fill out the Information sheets which we have put into the pockets. We find this information very valuable and we use it to help with our future planning.



Sunny Sunsafe came to talk to the children. He sang his song **"I don't like UV Rays"** to the tune of hokey pokey" which is available on his website if you want to talk about it at home.



Outcome 2 from the EYLF: Children are connected with and contribute to their world and Children become socially responsible and show respect for the environment.

We have started our focus on the rainforest habitat particularly the rainforest of Indonesia where there are many animals becoming endangered due to palm oil plantations. We have begun discussions about animals that live in the rainforest and this year we have sponsored an Elephant called Anna.

Each year we sponsor an animal through a website called Palm Oil Investigations.

It cost approx. \$70 for a one off payment.

We have also set up our own rainforest at Kindy where the children have contributed their ideas about what a rainforest looks like.



Emergency Evacuation

Each term we practice with the children what we would do in an emergency. We blow the whistle 3 times and then walk to Stradbroke School and call the roll. The children responded well and it fits with our curriculum about keeping safe.

Governing Council:

We held our AGM and first Governing council meeting for the year on Thursday 22nd February at 7.00pm.

Thank you to those families who were able to attend.

We nominated our new Governing council members for 2018:

Chairperson: Kate Linnell

Secretary: Donna Ball

Governing Council Members: Melissa Danielse, Kirra-lee Russo, Dylan Anderson, Tracey Clark, Alexandra Pukallus.

If you are interested in coming to meetings and being on the Governing council the next meeting will be on Thursday 22nd March at 6.00 pm at the Kindy

Signing In and Out:

Please support the Kindergarten staff to safely look after your child by ensuring you sign your child in and out of Kindergarten each day. Thank you to those families who have been doing this.

Multicultural Lunch (Week 11)

In week 11 (10th and 12th of April) we are having the Multicultural Lunch with the children.

At Kindergarten we celebrate children come from many different cultures and as part of our program we wanted to invite families to bring a (small) plate of food to share and come along to have lunch at Kindergarten.

We are always encouraging children to taste and smell new foods so we are hoping they will have a positive attitude to tasting all the different flavours in the foods.

If you would like to provide food which is relevant to your cultural background that would add to the conversations we will have with the children. We ask that you please bring food that has

No Nuts (if your child has an allergy to any other food products please let us know ASAP).

We thought it would be great if families could also provide a copy of the recipe for the food you are providing and we will collate the recipes so families can have a copy (the children may continue being food explorers and try the different recipes at home!) If you wish you can still pack your child's lunch as normal that day, they may not need as much food as usual though We also thought it we could support our sponsored elephant Anna and bring a **gold coin donation.**



If you are able to attend, we will be having lunch all together in the Café at 12.00 pm. Thanks

Numeracy:

At Preschool we link the Literacy and Numeracy Indicators to the daily learning that occurs at Kindy. Each term we have decided to focus on one indicator. This term we are focussing on: I quantify my world

We are providing experiences to talk about quantities, describing collections, using vocabulary to describe size, length, capacity and names of numbers. Play is the best process to investigate these concepts.

Literacy: I use language to connect with my world

Our Literacy focus this term is : I use language to connect with my world..

We are encouraging your child to communicate and express their ideas through conversations, discussions, asking questions and listening. We have set up shared play experiences, story tables and small story groups to encourage wonder and interest in their environment.

If you ask your child "what did you do at Kindy today? and they say "Nothing" or "I don't remember!! Please take some time at the beginning or the end of the day to look at our book near the sign on sheet which shows what we have been doing at Kindy.

Tina, Vicki, Rachel, Wendy, Maria, Kimmy and Eng.

Animals have been a highlight of our learning this term!



Butterflies, lizards, turtles and worms! The children have been curious and noticed a lot about our creatures and asked a lot of great questions so they could find out more information!

Children become socially responsible and show respect for the environment.