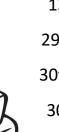
# Term 1 Week 2-6

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
2	1/2	2/2	3/2	4/2 Newsletter	5/2	6/2	7/2
3	8/2 AGM @ 6pm at the Preschool	9/2	10/2	11/2	12/2	13/2	14/2
4	15/2	16/2	17/2	18/2	19/2	20/2	21/2
5	22/2	23/2	24/2 Newsletter	25/2	26/2	27/2	28/2
6	1/3	2/3	3/3	4/3	5/3	6/3	7/3

#### **January**



13th Dana

29th Charlie

30th Scarlett

30th Jacob

February:

3rd Pippa

14th Brody

15th Bodhi

22nd Eloise

#### **BUS DRIVERS:**

Warrow Paul Tierney - 0429 882 010

Mt Hope Kym Griffiths - 0400 667 472

Karkoo Susan Hughes - 0477 088 043

Wanilla Sharon Arnold - 0447 820 519

Cockaleechie Leon Seaman - 0429 703 030

Douglas Well Vince Diment - 0427 762 428

Koppio Dan Hansen - 0408 120 280

Brimpton Lake Barry Boyce - 0418 762 319

Yallunda Flat Denis Darling - 0429 950 159

Parents must contact the bus driver at least 24 hours prior to travel being required on an alternate bus.

(PS) 0886762272

(RC) 0886762508

## How to contact us...



Birthdays

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Emily.Seaman223@schools.sa.edu.au



In Person:

Rural Care is open 8am-6pm Monday-Friday.

Preschool is every Tuesday, Thursday and

Wednesday morning (8:45-10:45)



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## **CUMMINS PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

#### Week 2 Term 1 2021

Welcome to our first official newsletter for 2021!

Our Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) goal for this year:

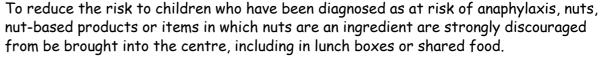
Preschool- to improve children's phonological awareness skills.

Rural Care- to strengthen children's capacity to positively engage with texts.

Policy Reminders: (All policies are kept onsite and can be found in the orange folder, in between Rural Care and the Preschool)

During Term 1, 3 and 4 and whenever UV radiation levels reach 3 and above, we ask that you apply sunscreen to your child prior to or on arrival to Rural Care and Preschool. We will reapply throughout the day, practise and teach Sun smart behaviour (wearing appropriate hats and clothing for outdoor activities, seeking shade and taking care of our skin). Please make sure your child is wearing shirts/dresses that cover their shoulders.





#### Grievances:

The Cummins Area School Preschool & Rural Care fosters positive relations between all parents and staff. Every parent has the right to a positive and sympathetic response to their concerns. Solutions are sought to resolve all disputes, issues or concerns that impact or affect the day to day well being of the Centre in a fair, prompt and positive manner. In dealing with grievances, please contact and arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss, following the steps:

- 1. staff member/ Early Childhood Worker
- 2. Still unresolved-Emily Seaman (Early Years Co-ordinator)
- 3. Still unresolved -Mel Degner (Principal)
- 4. Last resort-Rowena Fox (Education Director)

#### Covid Update:

SA Health are rolling out COVID Safe Check-in across the state. Our site has individual QR code and all adults entering the site must check in by scanning the QR code or completing the paper recording log template AND SIGN in/out IF entering Preschool/Rural Care room on the Visitor Sheet.

If your child is unwell, please help minimise the risk of affecting other children and do not send them to Preschool or Rural Care.

Please be vigilant when entering the Rural Care entrance to ensure all children attending Rural Care remain in the outdoor yard.









#### **Preschool News:**

We have had a great start to the Preschool year. The children are beginning to form new friendships and are learning the Preschool routines.

We have been learning our Good morning song....

Good morning everyone, how are you?

Good morning everyone, how are you?

It's such a lovely day and we're glad you came to play

Good morning everyone, how are you?

We have also learnt about the 5 L's (Legs are crossed, Hands in lap, Ears are listening, Eyes are watching and Lips are closed) when we are participating in mat time.



Based on the children's interests (Child Interest Survey and our observations from transition visits) we have created many different spaces within the Preschool area. One area of particular interest in dinosaurs. The children were inquiring about the size of dinosaurs in comparison to us and what they eat. We will continue this line of inquiry with the children and follow their curiosity.

The children will be provided with many opportunities to learn through play. As outlined in the Early Years Learning Framework "Play provides opportunities for children to learn as they discover, create, improvise and imagine. When children play with other children they create social groups, test out ideas, challenge each other's thinking and build new understandings. Play provides a supportive environment where children can ask questions, solve problems and engage in critical thinking. Play can expand children's thinking and enhance their desire to know and to learn..."

## Literacy- this term we will be focusing on:

- First name recognition/writing I engage with texts and make meaning, I represent my world symbolically
- \* Shared Book reading (whole group and small groups) Vocab development, print knowledge. Install a passion and love for reading. I engage with texts and make meaning, I understand the language of my world.
  - \* Nursery rhymes- I understand the language of my world.
    - \* Alphabet Songs- Awareness of letter sounds.
      - \* PASM Testing/ Speech Screeners

## Numeracy- this term we will be focussing on:

- Number songs and demonstrating, encouraging counting using the standard number system - I quantify my world.
  - \* Preschool Routine I analyse, read and organise the data in my world.
- \* Sorting, noticing and classifying in play I analyse, read and organise the data in my world.
- \* Explore, noticing and creating patterns I explore and understand my place and space in the world.
- \* Comparing and using language to describe measurable attributes of objects I measure and compare my world.









Welcome Back! We are excited to see you all back at Rural Care and can't wait to get to know the new families starting with us this year. We have loved hearing about what the children got up to during their holidays.

We have had a busy few weeks back focusing on camping and Where's Wally.

The children have enjoyed playing outside in the tent, making a camp fire out of blocks and pretending to cook on the wooden barbeque. The children have enjoyed reading Where's Wally books and trying to find Wally. We have also hidden some Where's Wally stickers around the room for the children to find.

Just a few reminders: Please remember to pack a hat and some spare clothes for when we have water play and please remember to LABEL ALL your child/children's belongings. This makes it easier for staff to return items to the right child.

Please remember to apply sunscreen to your child/children before they come to Rural Care, we will reapply during the day. If your child has a specific sunscreen they need to use please let us know and supply some in their bag.

If you haven't already could you please return your child's black profile folder so we can add some more learning to them. Preschool children can keep their folders, as they will all get a folder containing their learning at Preschool.

Last of all can we please get 2-4 pictures of your child/family so we can hang them on our Rural Care family wall. If you could please bring them in or email them to

chloe.belt814@schools.sa.edu.au

Thank you Rural Care team







