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NEWSLETTER



BONNIES BLOG

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Dear families

We are well into our second tern now and we have well and truly had a difficult start to this term, the weather has limited us in all sorts of ways, and we are all so happy to have had some good weather recently. Thank you to all the families that took part in our parent survey, we received some amazing comments. Thank you for these.

As a centre we are always looking at where to improve and a survey like this gives us some direction as to where we need to improve. At Bonny Babes we continue to strive to reach higher quality. We are aware that sometimes it can be a bit confusing and frustrating not to have your classroom teacher available in the early mornings and late afternoons but please be aware we aim to have all our teachers in the classrooms working core hours which assists us in the main part of the day. Please always use the communicate in kindy hub to communicate with your classroom teacher or feel free to call at any time throughout the day. We are so fortunate to have amazing educators who go over and above in all areas.

Regarding the centre's aesthetics, we are in the process of having most of our walls repainted at both centres, and I'm sure you will all have noticed that all Astro turf has now been replaced at Hope Island and Coomera is in the process of getting a new kindy yard playground, we have been pushed back with all this rain but keep an eye out for our new playground. Bonny babes Hope Island is 21 years old and Coomera is 15 years old so can look a little tired, but we renew classroom and playground equipment on a regular basis. Both our pre preps at Hope Island have had a completely new refit this year and it looks fantastic! We love having your suggestions so please feel free to help us with these, all suggestions will be looked at.

We are also looking at having a morning tea once a month to allow families to meet and chat, we will send out more information later. If you would be interested in this, please let your director know.

It was so lovely to see the children enjoying our colour run and we aim to have this every year as it was a real hit. (I hope the colour didn't remain too long on your child.) Our optometrist is now making the rounds so please again see your director.

Tailored Transitions

At Bonny Babes we aim to ensure that all children have a positive transition to school. We have been fortunate to have access to a new program offered by the department of education, supporting positive transitions to school. Children will have many transitions in their lives, however starting school is considered as one of the most significant and major transitions in a young child's life. It is crucial to work in partnership with families and schools to put a support system in place to provide children with an increased chance of a successful/positive transition to school. The tailored transition program is a strength-based approach that provides opportunities for collaboration, information sharing, intentional planning, goal setting and support. It is important to acknowledge the strengths that families and children carry with them to the school environment, using this as the foundation for promoting a bridge between home, early learning, and the school. If you feel you would like to be part of this program, please see your director who will give you more information.

Photos

Oh Yes, it is Photo time again!!! This is such a special time of year it's all about making memories. Every year I remind families that having a class photo is

such a special moment in time. I know my 4 children look back on their class photos and remember all those special moments. I again this year encourage you all to get the classroom package. Please be aware that Bonny Babes does not receive any benefits from the photos. Miss Karen has been taking Bonny Babes photos for the past 21 years, she is amazing at getting the children to smile and of course they all get stamps afterwards.



















Educator news

We have welcomed a few new educators to our amazing team. We welcome Miss Ella, Miss Natarlia, Miss Cindy, Miss Fei and Miss Des to our Hope Island family. We welcome Miss Rebecca, Miss Jo and Miss Kathryn to our Coomera family. Please say hello to our new educators.

A great big congratulations to Miss Tina at our hope island centre for attaining her 20 years of service. Miss Tina has been in our infant's room for the past 17 years, she is a valuable and amazing educator. Thank you to miss Tina for the past 20 years of showing love and making memories for all the children that have been through her class, and even now older children will stop in on their way out to say hello to her, what a beautiful legacy Tina had and continues to have .



Miss Bonnie

DIRECTORS BLOG HOPE ISLAND

MISS BRIONEY & MISS NICOLLE

Hi Families,

Can you believe that we are in June already! The years always seem like they go by so fast! Our centre is almost completely full and a lot of our rooms now have a waiting list. We have introduced a few new staff members into the team. Welcome to our new floating educators Des, Ella, Cindy, Fei and Natarlia. They are excited to be working with your children.

Hope Island has been busy, busy, busy.... with the Henny Penny hatching program, easter crafts, Anzac day and Mother's Day. It was so lovely to welcome visitors into the centre for "Cupcake Decorating". We love to share special events with our families and the children enjoy having you in the classroom. This month we also supported children's cancer research by dressing like a pirate and as always, our families generously donated to this charity. Under 8's week was another one of our annual celebrations and it was a blast, with crazy hair day and our first ever colour run! The sun was shining but there were clouds of colour. We feel so lucky to work with little minds that learn through play.

The weather is getting cooler as we move into winter, so please pack a jumper for our educators to put on your child when outside and later in the afternoon.

Miss Brioney & Miss Nicolle

DIRECTORS BLOG COOMERA

MISS NICKY & MISS MEL

Hello Families!

What a busy couple of months we have had here at Bonny Babes Coomera! We celebrated mothers day with a special mothers day cupcake decorating morning, which the children enjoyed so much. We then had under 8's week with our first colour run and even a disco in the dome. National simultaneous story time was next with the children enjoying the book 'Family Tree'.



We celebrated National Reconciliation Week next and enjoyed learning about indigenous culture. We also had our Indigenous culture worker come and spent some time in our pre prep room.

Sadly we also said goodbye to our Director Miss Megan and wished her well for her new adventure in Cairns. Miss Mel has stepped into the role of Assistant director and Miss Nicky is now our new centre Director. Please remember that you are always welcome to pop in and see if us you need to chat about your children or anything that is going on with you or your family. We would love to try and help you or offer any advice we can.



We have some new educators here at Coomera - Miss Rebecca, Miss Jo and Miss Kathryn. We are sure you will meet them sometime soon around the centre.

Miss Nicky & Miss Mel





EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We are so excited to have our extra curricular sports at Bonny Babes. Children who are engaging in physical activity are increasing their skills in walking, running, balance, climbing, kicking & catching, they are also working on their social play with turn taking, listening to the coach and following simple step directions. This is all helping their development and they are having so much fun.

SIBA SOCCER 3-5YRS

This program is for 3-5yr olds and are held at all Bonny Babes Childcare Centres. The duration of these sessions is around 30 minutes. We believe these programs assist with a child's fundamental learning in a safe, fun and structured environment. This program focuses on social and personal learning (trust in peers, turn taking, collaboration, friendships), mathematical learning (comparing, colours, counting, length, estimation), active learning (problem solving, following instructions, concentration and persistence, reasoning and making decisions) language, communication, healthy and physical learning (body co-ordination, balance and strength, flexibility and perception). Following each weeks sessions, we provide an interactive colouring in sheet for each participating child in relation to that particular weekly activity.

Hope Island: Tuesdays Coomera: Thursdays

TENNIS 3-5YRS

Hope Island: Monday & Friday Coomera: See reception

FUNKY FEET DANCING 3–5YRS

Hope Island: Thursdays

Coomera: Subject to interest and enrolments

If you would like your child to take part in any of these extra-curricular activities please fill out the forms in reception and we can ensure that your child is added.

ADMIN TEAM

MISS ELAINE & MISS VENETIA

Dear Families,

Please be aware that if you received Child Care Subsidy (CCS) any time during **2019-20** or **2020-21**, you must confirm your family's income. You must do this by 30 June 2022.

You can confirm your family income by either:

- lodging your tax return with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO)
- telling us if no tax return needs to be lodged
- confirming your income online

If you received CCS in 2019-20 and you don't confirm your income, you may have to repay the full of amount of CCS you got for this time.

If you don't confirm your income for 2020-21, your CCS will stop. You will then need to pay full fees for any child care you use. If you receive Additional Child Care Subsidy, this may also stop.

Bonny Babes Management.

Admin Hub Contact Number - 5519 9722

Admin Team Hours

Monday 8.30am - 4.30pm
Tuesday 8.30am - 4pm
Wednesday 8.30am - 4.30pm
Thursday 8.30am - 4pm
Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

"I love playing with the animals and the trucks in my classroom"

- MILAYA AGE 3 HOPE ISLAND

Your weekly fees are processed on Wednesday morning. Please contact Admin **before 10am Wednesday** if you have any questions in regards to your account prior to the payments being uploaded.

4 YEAR OLD HEALTHY CHILD CHECKS

Don't forget to have your child seen by your GP or Child Health Clinic for their 4 year old healthy child check. You can have this check done anytime between 3.5yrs - 5yrs old. You will need to take along your child's personal health record book (their red book) to be filled in.

At this visit the Doctor or Nurse will make sure your child is on track for health and well being. It will include things like:

- height and weight
- eyesight hearing
- immunisation
- oral health
- toileting
- allergies

If you receive family Tax Benefit part A and do not have the healthy child check completed, your FTB part A for that child may be reduced.





PRE PREP SHIRTS

Our Prep shirts are available in Red or Navy and come in sizes 2, 4, 6 & 8.
Only \$12 each. Limited stock available now, or you can order one with the form at reception

Don't forget Bonny Babes Coomera are also offering 4 hour sessions for children aged 3 years and over.

Great for parents who are only allocated limited CCS hours or children who are new to childcare.
\$69 Per Session (before CCS)

Give Miss Megan Or Miss Nicki at reception a call to find out more! (07) 55199722..



BONNY BABES FACEBOOK PAGES



Have you liked our Facebook pages? Each of our centres has its own Facebook page and we love to share information on the latest in child development, whats on in the local area and our weekly menus are shared each Monday morning.

We often use Facebook to remind parents of a special dress up day coming up or if they need to bring something along to kindy that day, we know it can be hard to remember everything that we have on here at Bonny Babes.

Facebook is also a great tool for us to share what is happening in our centres each week. We love to share about staff training and if we have any shows or special visitors to our centre, we share that too!

What we have been up to at Bonny Babes...



We celebrated Mothers Day with a cupcake decorating morning



Miss Kristy painted her story about the children of the ocean shore, coming together at their meeting place and walking together as one.



Hope Island

We clebrated Miss Tina's 20 vears of service at Bonny Babes



our Miss Megan,

on here new adventure in Cairns

We dressed up for Pirate Day!

Coomera



We enjoyed a colour run!



We dressed up like our favorite book characters





We had a Disco in the Dome!