

BONNY BABES CHILDCARE



TERM THREE 2022

NEWSLETTER



BONNIES BLOG

BONNIE FRASER

Dear families, another term to enjoy. The years go by so quickly and it is important to enjoy every day. I love the quote below which brings the importance of spending time with our children .

We have loved seeing the sun after all the rain, this is such a beautiful time of year. Please remember to pack jumpers for the children as it can be a bit chilly in the mornings and in the late afternoons. Thank you to all the dads, grandads and special friends that came to our annual hot dog night. We all enjoyed having the hot dogs. I hope the little plants that you planted with your children grow!

We have a few new educators at Bonny Babes who are finding their feet. We have Miss Cass, Miss Michelle, Miss Haylie, Miss Skylee and Miss Meryn has also returned, these lovely educators are all at the Coomera centre. At Hope Island we have Miss Jas, Miss Marje and Miss Kayla. A big welcome to all of these educators.

As most of you know we have now implemented milk into the daily menu at both Bonny Babes sites, the children are enjoying this new addition. please let us know if you have any questions in regards to this inclusion.

Educators day is a day that we can all celebrate the wonderful educators in our centre's. We have passionate educators who love what they do and Bonny Babes loves to celebrate these amazing teachers. Thank you to all the families for acknowledging this and providing a beautiful morning tea for them, I know they really appreciated it, we would love you put a note on our appreciation board at the front of the centre.

"Hold her a little longer,
rock her a little more,
read her another story,
you've only read her
four. Let her sleep on
your shoulder, rejoice in
her happy smile. She is
only a little girl for such
a little while."

Paper Heart Family

Bonny Babes has educators who have been with Bonny Babes for over 20 years! We love to celebrate all of these educators and want to mention two educators who have now achieved their 10 year status. Miss Bianca at Hope Island and Miss Brianna at Coomera. Congratulations to both of these educators and we look forward to the next 10 years.

Bonny Babes loves to allow children to find out about the world around them, we are always looking for new experiences to broaden their world. With this in mind we have a special surprise for the children. We will be getting a hive of native bees and will be learning all about these amazing creatures. I have attached some information for you as I realise that some of you will be a little cautious, please remember that these bees are stingless.

Stingless bees are absolutely not able to sting. Over evolutionary time this group of bees (the Meliponini - common name stingless bees) have lost the ability to sting. They are one of only three bee groups in the world that are not able to sting. Increasing numbers of kindergartens and schools in QLD and NSW are keeping these bees.

Our Native stingless bees are being installed by Dr Toby Smith From Bee Aware Kids, who is a professional bee scientist and educator. The workshop that he conducts at the time of installation are age-appropriately tailored to the class and are structured around the main aim of conveying an understanding of bee diversity, bee lifecycles, and the role of bees in pollination and food security. Workshops are tailored to your needs and usually include fun and engaging presentations of dozens of brilliant close-up photos and diagrams of bees, installations of live native stingless bee hives, live displays of stingless bee keeping, honey harvesting from stingless bee hives, and more. Throughout all our sessions students are encouraged to ask questions, and all the way through the presentations are completely interactive.



Our New Educators



Native bees really are stingless and are a safe and easy compliment to any school or early learning centre.

We are so excited to have this as part of our learning.

Miss Bonnie

DIRECTORS BLOG

HOPE ISLAND

MISS BRIONY & MISS NICOLLE

Hi Families,

Here comes spring! We have had such a busy term at Bonny Babes Hope Island and will take you through some of the main activities that saw Bonny Babes alive with learning and some of the upcoming events.

We will be getting some native stingless bees this term in the Juniors/kindy yard and Dr Toby will be coming out to give us a lesson about the bees. We can't wait to do our bit and help the local environment flourish.

Miss Bianca celebrated her 10 years at Bonny Babes, and we appreciate all the wonderful time she has been with us. We also celebrated National Educator Day with all our amazing team! Thank you for making the day special for all of us with your words of thank you and huge amounts of food. This term we welcome Miss Marg to the team who will be working hard to get all our yummy food out during the day. We also welcome Jas who will be floating between rooms and spending time with the children as they play during the day.

Our Father's Day hotdog night went off with a bang and it was wonderful being able to see such a great turnout. The children had lots of fun making things, sharing play, and celebrating all our wonderful dads!

The wonder white Bread bags have been sent in and we thank every family that participated in the program. It was a great way to introduce the children to the idea of recycling and to possibly gain some equipment if our centre gets drawn out of the barrel.

This term we also supported Bravehearts day which is very dear to us at Bonny babes. All money that was raised went to Bravehearts for Personal safety programs, counselling and support, Child protection training and research.



We are well on the way to getting rolls ready for next year and know that we have waitlists already for some of our older rooms. Please let us know if you would like to make changes for the new year as soon as possible so we can accommodate.

In October we will be having our Graduation photos for children who will be going to school next year. These will be on the 4th and 5th of October, so make sure to return your envelope before photo day..

Miss Brioney & Miss Nicolle

DIRECTORS BLOG

COOMERA

MISS MEL & MISS STEFF

Hello Families!



What a busy couple of months we have had here at Bonny Babes Coomera! We celebrated Fathers Day with a special Fathers day hot dog night, which the children and fathers enjoyed so much. We hope your little seeds are starting to sprout now!

We also celebrated Educators Day and loved showing how much we appreciate our wonderful educators. Thank you so much to all of the families who brought in morning tea or lunch for our educators and for the lovely comments that were written on our board about our Educators.

We have some new educators here at Coomera - Miss Meryn, Miss Cass and Miss Michelle, Miss Skylee and Miss Haylie. We are sure you will meet them sometime soon around the centre. We also want to wish our Miss Miah the best of luck as she is due to have her baby girl soon as will be off on Maternity leave in the next couple of weeks.

Coming up, we will have our Pre Prep graduation photos on the 6th of October so make sure to return your envelope to reception as soon as possible.

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.

Miss Mel & Miss Steff



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

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

Centrelink

As a Centre we do our best to inform families of any changes to their CCS approved percentage and hours of care as soon as the change occurs. Please be aware that these decisions are made solely by Centrelink based on your personal circumstances.

As a Centre we are responsible for submitting the correct hours of attendance including arrival and departure times. Centrelink are responsible for the payment of the Child Care Subsidy.

If you do believe at any time that your assessment for CCS is incorrect then please call Centrelink on 13 61 50 to have this investigated. You can also log into your MYGOV account to check and update your details at any time.

Admin Hub Hours

Monday 8.30am – 4.30pm

Tuesday 8.30am – 4pm

Wednesday 8.30am – 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am – 4pm

Friday 8.30am – 4.30pm

Lunch is typically between 1pm and 2pm with the phones unattended at this time.

**"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.

Gold Coast Oral Health Services
you make me smile

Book your child's **FREE*** dental check:
1300 300 850

* Eligibility criteria applies for non-school aged children and students 16 years or under.

For more information scan the QR code or visit:
www.goldcoast.health.qld.gov.au/oral-health

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BONNY BABES HATS

Bonny Babes will be providing one of our new hats for each child over the next couple of weeks. Please ensure your child's hat is clearly named and comes to Bonny Babes with them each day.

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..

BONNYBABES
Child Care Centre

**4 HOUR SESSIONS
NOW AVAILABLE**

CCS APPLICABLE

MONDAY TO FRIDAY
8AM TO 12PM

BONNY BABES
COOMERA
16 YAUN STREET
COOMERA

FOUR HOUR DROP OFF SESSION FOR CHILDREN OVER THREE.
MONDAY TO FRIDAY 8AM-12PM - \$69 PER SESSION
CHILD CARE SUBSIDY APPLICABLE

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 Educators Day



We dressed in purple to support Bravehearts Day



We enjoyed Fathers Day Hot Dog Night with our Dads & Grandads

Hope Island

We celebrated Miss Bianca's 10 years of service at Bonny Babes



Coomera



We enjoyed Fathers Day Hot Dog Night with our Dads and Grandads



Our Kindy yard has a playground makeover!

We engaged in lots of science activities for National Science Week



We celebrated Educators day with this giant Pizza from Pops Pizza!