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Children's Educational Care Centre (SA) Pty. Ltd.

Preschool, Early Learning & Long Day-Care

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Photos Wednesday October 31st

As you are aware, the photographer from *Kidz Pics* will be at the centre on Wednesday 31st of October. The times being:

- Joey room - 9-10.30am
- Possum Room - 10.30-12.00 (noon)
- Koala Room - 12.00 (noon) – 1.30pm.

If your child's regular day is not this day, but you would like them to be photographed, please fill in and return the envelope supplied by *Kidz Pics* and note the times above as to when to be at the centre for your child to be photographed. The times are approximate.

Fund Raising Toy Catalogue

Catalogues are available for parents/carers interested in purchasing well-priced toys. It is a great way of buying Christmas presents for family and friends and also earns the centre 20% from each sale towards resources for the children.

Parent handbook

Each centre has a parent handbook available for you to read. It is located inside the entrance to each centre and is marked "Parent Handbook". All policies are up-to-date. Please have a look.

Children's hats and clothing

Please make sure your child wears an appropriate hat for outdoor play. The type recommended by the Cancer Council are legionnaire hats (one with a back flap to protect ears and neck) or a bucket hat style (similar to the hats staff wear). Also ensure that t-shirt style tops are worn (not singlet style or halter neck) to protect children's delicate skin. If you have any concerns or questions, please refer to the Parent handbook policy # 5.

Toys from home

Please remind your child to leave their toys at home or in the car. There are plenty of toys for your child to play with at the centre. It can be very distressing to a child when other children think the toy is for everyone to play with. It can also cause distress when the toy is *misplaced*. As an alternative please bring books. These we can share with all the children.

Lollies

The centre promotes a healthy eating environment and is an accredited *Start Right Eat Right* Centre. With the increasing amount of obesity and tooth decay, please remind your child (and older siblings) that lollies, sweet biscuits, ice creams, fruit bars, chocolate bars are best left at home or in the car.

Labelling clothes

Each day the centre is left with items of clothing that have lost their owner. *My Name Label* is a South Australian based Company who provide simple adhesive labels (that you can design) for clothing and even plastic school lunch boxes. Please pick up a brochure.

Christmas Card Catalogue

One of our parents is advertising Christmas cards, wraps, tags and more. Please pick up a brochure at the Possum and Koala entrance if interested. Some samples are also on display.

Christmas family get-together

Add Friday December 14th to your diary. This will be the family get-together for Christmas celebrations and the end of the school year. Remember that the centre only closes for public holidays. All other working days are as your normal booked sessions.

Kindadance

Kindadance is available at the centre on Tuesday and Wednesday at 3.30pm. Jenna and Carolyn are instructors who promote fitness through dance and Movement. Please see staff if you are interested.

Medication

To prevent a potential hazard, please hand medication (both prescription and non-prescription) to staff when you arrive. Do not leave any medication in your child's bag as this could create a hazard for your child or other children at the centre.

Observation book for your child

All children have their own observation book. This book is used on a regular basis by staff for written observations about your child's progress and interests. These written observations form the basis to the program which is displayed in each room (Joey, Possum and Koala room). Parents are welcome to look at their child's books at any time. We would prefer that the book is kept at the centre for continual documentation but if you wish to take it home please return it as soon as possible. When your child completes their time at the centre, the book goes home with your child as a memory of their time at the centre. Please talk to staff for further information about your child's observation book.

Wendy Butcher
Director.