



**CECC**

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**Preschool, Early Learning & Long Day-Care**

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## **Newsletter November 2008**

### **Not as easy as ABC or 1,2,3!**

Most of you would be aware of the recent liquidation of the 'corporate' run ABC Learning Centres. Please be assured that I am a locally run, independently owned and operated centre, staffed by the best early childhood educators you will find anywhere (in the world) and that the changes that have occurred to ABC do not affect the running of this centre. Our objective is to provide the highest quality early learning environment for your child/ren. Also, I can assure everyone that we are financially stable and you have nothing to fear regarding our on-going service to you, your child/ren and the local community. We are passionate about what we do and that will never change.

### **Change to CCMS (Childcare Management system)**

Beginning from March 2009, the centre will be changing from report childcare activity to FAO (Family Assistance Office) every 3 months to a weekly reporting system via the internet.

For all parents there will be no change in the accounting method or payments.

However, the centre needs to know if one or both of the following applies to you:

- Your child attends **more than one service** each week  
eg. Long day care (LDC) and family day care (FDC) each week.
- **Other siblings in your family** attend OSHC (Out of School Hours Care) each week or not and then (irregular) e.g. Vacation care during school holidays.

If one or both of these situations applies to you, please ring me or discuss your situation so correct CCB (Child Care Benefits) is applied to your account. If I am not advised, FAO will correct this oversight and they will request a refund if that applies.

### **Now for the FUN things that we all enjoy rather than the BUREAUCRACY.**

#### **Family Christmas Get together**

Please add Friday December 12<sup>th</sup> to your diary. This will be the Christmas family get-together to celebrations Christmas and the end of the school year. Remember that the centre only closes for public holidays, unlike schools and kindergartens and that all working days are as per your normal booked sessions.

A BBQ, nibbles and drinks will be provided, just bring your family and enjoy the festive season with the staff and other families. There may even be a visitor from the North Pole!

### **Children's Performance at the Christmas Family Get Together**

**Possum children** will be dancing and singing in their room @ **6.30pm**.

**Koala children** will also be singing Christmas songs outside in the play yard @ **7.30pm**. Listen for the outside bell to ring and take your child/ren to their allocated rooms at times stated above. B.Y.O. video / camera is recommended as these are the special memories in life (and they also make great viewing at 21<sup>st</sup> birthdays which happens before you know it!).

### **Jewellery evening**

**Come and find yourself the perfect gift for your friends and family...**

**And even something special for yourself.**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2008 at the centre in the Possum room

Time 7-9 pm

Bring your cash as credit facility is limited.

For more information please ring Fiona 0418 877 124.

### **Parent/Carer evening: Children's Safety at home and in the car.**

What would you do if your child stopped breathing? Do you know how to perform CPR on your child? When is the right time to change your child from a rear facing seat to a forward facing position? What does the new child car seat legislation mean to me and my family?

Representatives from Red Cross First Aid will be here to discuss First Aid for Families.

Peter Miller from Red Cross Safety Stores will be here to discuss child restraints and how the new legislation will affect you.

Come along for what will be a **very informative and potential life saving** night.

When: Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2008

Time: 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm

Where: @ CECC

Maximum limit 30 people so please advise staff if you will be attending.

### **Internet Banking**

80% of parents have elected to pay accounts via Internet banking. It is presently one of the cheapest ways to pay your account. Many parents are using Internet banking which is proving to be more convenient than carrying cash or drawing a cheque. It also helps you as you can set up periodical payments.

Let me know if you are interested in this form of banking. Here are the details:

**BankSA**

**Account name: CECC (SA) Pty Ltd.**

**BSB: 105-074**

**Account number: 044 369 840**

Return your account envelope or Internet banking receipt marked **Internet Banking** and the **date of transaction**.

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