



Tumut
Community
Preschool

DEAR FAMILIES AND PRESCHOOL COMMUNITY

Preschool is feeling a little more normal these days, with nearly all of our children now attending as normal. The children are learning and playing and we are so proud of how well the children have adapted to the changes, they are so capable and resilient.



RATED

EXCEEDING

NATIONAL QUALITY STANDARD



COVID-19 SAFE PRACTICES

Our practices continue to comply with all Health and government recommendations, and in addition to all the measures outlined in the May newsletter the following controls have been implemented:

- all staff members have received the Fluvax for 2020
- all staff and children will have their temperatures taken on arrival and during the day using infrared no touch thermometer
- Anyone with temperatures that are 37.5 C or above are not permitted to attend or stay at Preschool. There is also a 48 hour exclusion period from the last recorded high temperature
- If your child has any cold or flu like symptoms, they must not attend Preschool at all – we will send them home
- It is also recommended you take them to the Dr with any cold/flu like symptoms to ensure the correct testing is undertaken and children are safe to return to Preschool
- Symptoms may include:
 - Runny noses (even if slight)
 - Cough (any type)
 - Sore throat
 - Aches and pains
 - Gastro-intestinal symptoms
 - Rashes or spots
 - Lethargy and general feeling of unwellness

CHILDREN WHO ARE UNWELL

Any children who have cold or flu like symptoms or other symptoms of illness such as vomiting\diarrhoea, will not be allowed to be at Preschool.

Children who have any cold/flu symptoms must be seen by a Dr and if recommended tested for COVID19. We will be requiring documentation from a GP to advise a child is safe to return to preschool after having these symptoms.

It is also part of our policy that any parents who are tested for COVID19 must advise us and keep their children home from Preschool until results are returned and they are negative.

If you are unsure if your child should attend Preschool because of symptoms or someone in the family is unwell – please contact the Preschool before sending your child so we can advise on our requirements.

Children will be sent home if they show ANY symptoms.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Department of Fair Trading has issued an exemption providing us with more time to hold an AGM.

At this stage we have a 6-month period of exemption. We will consider our options as restrictions continue to be lifted.



ENROLMENTS FOR 2021

Can you believe we are already getting ready to take enrolments for 2021? Children who currently attend Preschool and who are intending on returning next year will be given first preference.

Please click on the link in the Educa email for our online re-enrolment form.

If you would prefer a hard copy of the form, please let us know.

Enrolments for the general public will commence at the start of Term 3.

We are almost full now, but still have a few vacancies for this year, so if you know of families or friends who may have children turning 3 this year, please encourage them to call or email us.



PARENT SURVEY

Family input and feedback is important to us and is part of our continuous improvement philosophy. We will be sending out an electronic survey this Term and hope you will assist us by providing some helpful feedback on the way we do things at Preschool. If you would prefer a paper copy of the survey, please let the office know. By completing the survey, you could be in the running for a \$100 gift card.



HATS AND SPARE CLOTHES FOR WINTER

Our policy requires that children will wear sun protective hats all year round (in line with local schools).

Please ensure your child continues to bring their sun hats to Preschool.

If children wear beanies, they must also wear a sun hat over the top when playing in areas not covered by shade structures. Children without sun hats will not be permitted to play in open outdoor spaces.

Staff model this practice and will be encouraging children to develop sun protection habits that will continue as they transition to primary school.

Please remember to change the spare clothes in your child's bag from summer to winter attire and ensure all clothing is labelled.