

Reynella Community Children's Centre Inc.

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Diary Dates

July

Fri 27th July
Pyjama Day

August

Thursday 9th Aug
Pyjama Day

11th—19th Aug
Science Week

18th—24th Aug
Children's Book Week

Tuesday 21st Aug
Book Week Dress Up Day

Wednesday 22nd Aug
Woodcroft Library Visit

Friday 24th Aug
Wear Yellow-Daffodil Day

Account Enquiries

If you have any enquiries regarding your account, payments or bookings, please phone: 8381 3699 or email: admin@reynellacc.com.au

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If your child will be absent from care, please phone or email the centre to advise.

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Newsletter—June 2018

Directors News

Hi Families,

Thank you to our families who have supported our fundraising chocolates. We have now received a new batch so if you would like to help our Centre by selling a box or two, please see our front office staff.

Our Educators have been developing our Continuous Improvement Plan for our Centre through many after hours meetings. This plan is on display next to our fees box in the front office, however if you would like a copy, please let me know and I will email this to you.

This month we have enjoyed watching chickens hatching from eggs. The Kindy Room children were very excited to watch several chickens hatch. Our Babies and Toddler Room children visited our Kindy room to have a pat and hold of our chickens. We had a former Grandparent of our Centre, Micky, visit us and share her Aboriginal culture with our children. We explored tapping sticks, walking sticks, rain makers and many more Aboriginal items. We have also enjoyed a couple of warm pyjama days.

I am currently organising Educator/Parent interviews, which are planned for later in the year. Please check your emails in the few weeks for more details. Book Week and Science Week are both in August and Team Leaders will be planning activities for these weeks.

Please feel free to check our 'Upcoming Events' display, which is located on the Little Library's window, across from Kylee's desk.

Our Committee have been working extra hard planning a resource order, planning fundraising and planning our next round of improvements for the Centre. If you have any suggestions please let us know.

Just a reminder from our Educators, if your child brings in toys from home please pop them in the baskets provided on the bench or in your **child's bag. Some of these toys have been causing arguments among children and some are unsafe for our younger children in the room.**

Thank you for your continued support of our Centre.

Simone

Baby Room

Hello Families,

We have been spending a lot of time indoors to keep warm this month. We have enjoyed watching the rain fall from our windows and exploring the yard when the weather allows. We have had some fun splashing in the puddles left by the rain. If any of our families have any spare gum boots, please feel free to bring them in as the children love getting out in the muddy puddles.

We have also had the chance to watch the birds in our yard. They eat worms from own lawn area and look at themselves in our mirrors, which the children find very entertaining.

We have had the chance to bring some of our outdoor equipment inside and set up obstacle courses for the children to practice their climbing.

The children had the chance to pat and hold the baby chickens, as part of the Henny Penny Hatching program. They seemed fascinated by the chicks and quickly learnt to use their gentle hands.

Recently we celebrated NAIDOC Week. We shared Dreamtime stories and created some great art works, which are displayed in our room and in the hallway. A few of our older Babies were able to take part in the visit from local artist, Micky Barlow, who shared with us some Aboriginal instruments, tools and artefacts.

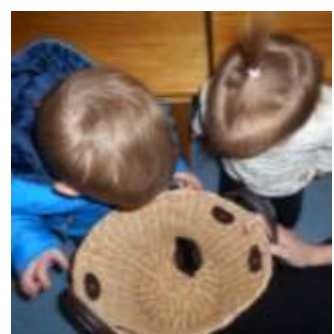
The children have been taking turns to draw on the whiteboard in textas, showing cooperation and patience as they wait their turn.

This past month, we have had the opportunity to support more of our Baby Room children with visits to the Toddler Room, ready for transition when they turn 2. If your child is almost 2, please feel free to chat to Caitlin or Sara about this transition period.

We are all learning to build relationships with our friends. It's nice to see the compassion the children have for each other, often finding a dummy or a soft toy for a sad friend or simply holding hands as they explore the room.

If you have any questions or feedback for the Baby Room, please feel free to come and talk to our Team Leaders/Educators.

Caitlin, Sara and Angie



Toddler Room



Hello Families,

The Winter weather is well and truly upon us and although it has been cold, we have rugged up and ventured outside in search of fresh air and exploration of our Winter yard. The children have found much pleasure in discovering more of the worms and millipedes in our yard. Some of the children like to pick up the millipedes and watch as they curl up when they touch them and stretch out when they want to walk away, this has been the source of much laughter.



A little reminder though, as we do like to go outside for shorter periods of time in the colder weather, we would like to ask that if your child has a coat and a beanie that they can bring to child care it will help keep the chills away.



We have begun our new theme for this quarter and it is "Animals". We have already begun our 'animal walk' and have used paints to print the feet of some of the different animal toys we have in our room, you will see this displayed in our toddler room and we will be building on it over the coming weeks. We will be looking at many different types of animals and also talking about our pets if we have them and we would like to ask that if your family has a pet and you would like to share a picture of your pet, please either bring one in or email to admin@reynellacc.com.au



Over the last few weeks our Centre has had a visit from Henny Penny Hatching and the Toddlers have enjoyed watching some of the chicks hatch and grow. We brought some of the chicks to the Toddler room and all had a pat and those brave enough held the baby chicks all by themselves.



The children have enjoyed many fine-motor activities in the form of painting, puzzles, building blocks, play dough, gluing, cutting and threading blocks, assorted coloured lids and pasta pieces on to hessian rope and twine and we used our hand-eye coordination to partake in a game of golf where we explored hitting our golf balls through tunnels and in to holes in our lawn.

Our gross-motor skills have been used to run, jump, climb, kick balls and ride bikes around our yard and up and down the hill near our shed.



Throughout our play we have also built on our language and social skills, learning to share and take turns and help each other when we need it.

As always, if you have any questions, thoughts, concerns or input regarding your child or their toddler room, please see Kathryn, Karen or Kylie in the room or email us at admin@reynellacc.com.au

Kathryn, Karen & Kylie

Kindy Room



Hello families,

We have had a busy month. A highlight was the Henny Penny Hatching program, where chicken eggs were placed in an incubator in our big Kindy Room and the children were able to watch them hatch and grow. The chickens were spoilt with lots of pats and cuddles and were given some very interesting names.



We have been focusing on our self help skills, with the children encouraged to find their name on their tray and putting their belongings away when they are not in use. The children have also been assisting our Educators to pack away the beds after sleep time and put all of their bedding into their bed bags. We believe these are important skills to learn, as many of our little friends will be moving onto Kindy or School in 2019, where their self help skills will be important.



We had another visit from Lucas from Dream Start Soccer. He taught the children the importance of warming up prior to physical activity through fun warm up games. The children then have the chance to build up their ball skills with soccer games and goal kicking, followed by warm down stretches. The children seem to really enjoy learning these skills with Lucas.



We have had a couple of Pyjama Days over the past month, with the next one on Friday 27th July.



As the weather is very wet and cold, please ensure your child is dressed for outside play, with a jacket and beanie (if wanted). Gum boots are also a great idea to keep their socks dry. We would also like to remind parents to pack warm, spare clothes for their child, just in case they get wet or muddy.

We have had an increase in toys being brought in from home. This comes with risks, including the toy being lost or broken or some toys are unsafe for child care (e.g: may pose a choking hazard) and we request parents try to discourage this. If your child insists on bringing a toy, we have a basket by the sign in **sheet where 'home toys' will be placed. If you are looking for a missing toy, please check here first.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and see our room staff.

Brooke, Lucy, Ashleigh and Amanda

HENNY PENNY HATCHING

Henny Penny Hatching is an exciting and educational 2 week program, where chicken eggs are delivered to the Centre and placed in an incubator. The children have the joy of watching the eggs hatch and the chickens grow. The children learnt about the life cycle of the chicken, the responsibilities for caring for pets and they had many chances to hold and pat the chickens.



NAI DOC WEEK



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We were fortunate to have a visit from local indigenous artist, Micky Barlow, for NAIDOC week. She shared Aboriginal instruments and tools with the children and taught them about how they are made and used. Thank you very much Micky. Your visit was invaluable.



FUNDRAISING

People's Choice Community Lottery

Prizes valued at over \$360,000

We have been fortunate to have been accepted to be a part of the **People's Choice Community Lottery**.

Tickets are just \$2 each and are available to purchase online (see website details below). We are also expecting paper tickets and will let families know when they arrive.

www.peopleschoicecu.com.au/reynella-community-childrens-centre-inc

people's choice
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Cadbury Chocolate Boxes

New batch has arrived!

Our Cadbury Fundraising chocolate boxes are back.

Choose from the Goody Box or the Freddo Box.

These are a great addition to any workplace lunch room and no money is required up front. Please see our office staff if you can assist us by selling a box.



Melamine Pictureplate Fundraiser

We are seeking expressions of interest from families who would be keen to purchase a Melamine Pictureplate as a fundraiser for our centre. Cost would be approx. \$28.00 ea. If you are interested, please let our front office staff know or send an email to admin@reynellacc.com.au



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use the link: www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/161b358



Thank you to Chris for the kind donation of large tyres for our Kindy Yard. The children will have a lot of fun playing and using their imagination with these.

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Under the National Immunisation Program (NIP), babies and young children have access to free childhood immunisations which provide protection against multiple infectious diseases during their first vulnerable years of life.

In July 2018, the childhood immunisation schedule was updated. Your child's due date for their next immunisation/s has not changed. Immunisations are still given at 2*, 4, 6, 12, 18 months and 4 years of age.

Why has the schedule changed?

The recommended vaccination schedule changes over time for a number of reasons:

- new vaccines become available to protect children from a disease
- new "combination vaccines" reduce the number of needles children need to get
- a vaccine is improved or made safer
- fewer doses of a vaccine are shown to work just as well
- booster doses are shown to improve protection
- moving a dose to a different age is shown to improve protection or work just as well.

The changes outlined below have been made on advice from immunisation experts to provide children with the best protection.

Summary of key changes

Diseases covered	Previous schedule	Schedule from 1 July 2018
Meningococcal C and <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b (Hib)	Menitorix® vaccine at 12 months	Being replaced by a Meningococcal ACWY (Nimenrix®) vaccine at 12 months and a Hib vaccine (ActHIB®) at 18 months
Pneumococcal	Prevenar 13® at 2*, 4 and 6 months	Prevenar 13® at 2*, 4 and 12 months

Meningococcal vaccination

From 1 July 2018, a meningococcal ACWY vaccine will be given to children at 12 months of age. This new vaccine will replace the previous combination meningococcal C-*Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib) vaccine given at 12 months of age.

Meningococcal is a rare but very serious infection that can lead to blood poisoning (septicaemia) and brain infection (meningitis).

Meningococcal disease is caused by different types of the meningococcal bacteria—A, B, C, W and Y.

Previously, people with an infection from meningococcal types W and Y were rarely seen in Australia, but these have been increasing in recent years. The new vaccine will help protect against four types of meningococcal disease (A, C, W and Y) instead of one (C).

Who is eligible for the meningococcal ACWY vaccine?

Meningococcal ACWY vaccine will be given to all children who are due for their 12 month vaccinations from 1 July 2018 onwards.

Children who have already received their meningococcal C vaccine at 12 months of age are not eligible to receive the meningococcal ACWY vaccine under the NIP. Parents may purchase the meningococcal ACWY on the private market if they wish to, or check if your state/territory offers a funded program.

Is the meningococcal ACWY vaccine at 12 months of age required as part of the Government's No Jab, No Pay policy?

Meningococcal C vaccination at 12 months of age continues to be a requirement for eligibility for child care subsidies and family assistance payments. From 1 July 2018, the meningococcal C vaccine is being replaced by a meningococcal ACWY vaccine. A child who receives the meningococcal ACWY vaccine at 12 months of age will meet the requirements for child care subsidies and family assistance payments.

What if my child has already received meningococcal ACWY vaccines before 12 months of age?

Even if your child has had one or more meningococcal ACWY vaccine doses before 12 months of age, a booster dose from 12 months of age, and at least 2 months of age after a previous dose, is required for the best protection.

Can I claim for reimbursement if my child received privately funded meningococcal ACWY vaccine before the program started?

No. The Australian Government provides vaccines at no cost through the NIP and no reimbursements are made for privately purchased vaccines including those purchased before the program started.

Is the meningococcal B vaccine also free?

No. Immunisation against meningococcal B disease is only available on private prescription and there is no discount under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

If you wish for your child to receive the meningococcal B vaccine you can make an appointment with your GP or other vaccination provider to have it discussed, prescribed and administered. Costs may vary by vaccination provider and chemist.

Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) vaccination

From 1 July 2018, the *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib) vaccine will be given as a separate vaccine for children at 18 months of age.

Hib (also called *Haemophilus influenzae* type b) is a serious disease in young children; it can affect the airways, skin, joints, ears or brain.

Previously, a Hib vaccine booster was given in a combination vaccine with meningococcal C to children at 12 months of age. The meningococcal ACWY vaccine is not available as a combination vaccine with Hib and so the Hib vaccine booster must now be given separately.

Four doses of Hib vaccine are still being provided through the NIP:

- as part of a combination vaccine at 2*, 4, and 6 months of age; and
- alone at 18 months of age.

Immunisation experts have reviewed the evidence and recommended the fourth dose be moved from 12 months of age to 18 months of age. It has been judged safe and effective to move this dose of Hib to 18 months of age.

What if my child has already received a Hib vaccine at 12 months of age?

All children 18 months of age from 1 July 2018 will be offered a Hib vaccine booster. If your child already received a Hib vaccine at 12 months of age (children born between 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017) they are not required to have an additional dose, however it is safe for them to have one. If you choose not to have the dose at 18 months of age, there is no impact on your eligibility for child care subsidies or family assistance payments.

Pneumococcal vaccination

From 1 July 2018, pneumococcal vaccination will be given at 2*, 4 and 12 months of age instead of 2*, 4, and 6 months of age.

Previously, pneumococcal vaccination was given to all children at 2*, 4 and 6 months of age.

Immunisation experts have reviewed the evidence and recommended that Australia move pneumococcal vaccination to 2*, 4 and **12 months of age**.

While the total number of doses has remained unchanged, the change in the schedule is expected to improve the protection provided by the childhood vaccination program.

For some children who have specific risk factors, four doses are recommended at 2*, 4, 6 and 12 months of age. These will still be provided for free. Your doctor will advise if your child should have 4 doses rather than 3.

What if my child has already received 3 doses of the pneumococcal vaccine before 12 months of age?

All children 12 months of age from 1 July 2018 will be offered a pneumococcal vaccine. If your child already received a dose at 2, 4 and 6 months of age (children born 1 July 2017 to 30 December 2017), they are not required to have a fourth dose at 12 months of age, however it is safe for them to have one.

If you choose not to have the additional dose at 12 months of age, there is no impact on your eligibility for child care subsidies or family assistance payments.

Safety of vaccines

All vaccines used in Australia must be approved for use by the Therapeutic Goods Administration, which monitors the safety of medicines in Australia. Before a vaccine can be licensed, it is rigorously tested over several years to ensure it is safe and that it works.

The safety of vaccines is always being monitored. For more information, visit: tga.gov.au or health.gov.au/immunisation

All vaccines can have unwanted side effects. Common side effects that may occur and resolve quickly include:

- injection site pain, redness and swelling
- low grade fever
- children can be unsettled, tired and grumpy.

Serious or unexpected vaccine reactions are very rare and should always be reported to your vaccination provider. If you have any questions or concerns make an appointment with your GP or other vaccination provider.

To find out more about the National Immunisation Program:

- call the National Immunisation Hotline: 1800 671 811
- visit the Department of Health's immunisation website at health.gov.au/immunisation

State and territory health department contact numbers:

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NSW	1300 066 055	TAS	1800 671 738
NT	08 8922 8044	VIC	1300 882 008
WA	08 9321 1312	QLD	Contact your local Public Health Unit