

PARENT UPDATE

April 2017

Information from CCMS - Child Care Rebate (CCR) and the End of Financial Year CCR covers 50 percent of families' out-of-pocket expenses when they claim CCB. The capped amount is maximum \$7500 per child per year (maximum of \$6375 when claiming CCB as a weekly reduction as a percentage is withheld until EOFY reconciliation). As we draw closer to the end of the financial year many families are close to reaching, the maximum CCR amount. If you reach the maximum amount you will notice that the out of pocket cost will be increased. Families may need to adjust their gap fee amount to accommodate an increase in their fees. Families can find out the balance of their CCR by logging on to their [myGov](#) and selecting 'Child Care' and then 'View Child Care Details and Payments'. If parents do not have a myGov account, they can create one by visiting myGov and then linking it to their Centrelink online account OR by using the [Express Plus mobile app](#) and selecting 'Child Care'.

Did your child start Prep this year?

Did you remember to tell the Department of Human Services if your child is attending Prep or Year 1 in 2017 in Queensland; a child can begin prep at age 4 years 6 months (a child will not automatically be considered a school child with DHS/Centrelink until they turn six years old). Failure to do this may result in a debt to ATO at tax time or incorrect CCB calculation. There have been a number of children identified as having started school this year but are still receiving CCB as a non-school child. Call 13 61 50 or visit myGov to rectify this.

Are you a journalist? Would you like to help us market Wynnum Family Day Care?

We want you or your friend or your friend's friend or neighbour

We are seeking a gifted journalist/blogger/marketer who is interested in spreading some good news for Wynnum Family Day Care and highlighting the valuable and vital contribution that family day-care makes in the early childhood education and care landscape.

What is the good news?

Wynnum Family Day Care has some Australian first programs that are innovative, creative and community centred. These programs need to be acknowledged and recognised to the families that are already benefiting from our programs and those that are missing and need to know how to get involved.

We need a wider exposure recognising our service and our programs before we read that someone else has come up with our bright idea and own it for themselves.

We are fast approaching Family Day Care week in May 2017 which is themed by every child is a star.

Our programs ensure that our, your stars shine bright The children.

Please help us reveal how bright these stars are!

If you think you are the person to champion this project or you know someone who has the skill set and connections, then please contact us today.

Contact Cathy Bavage Manager of Wynnum Family Day Care on 33934311 or email cathy@wynnumfdc.org



Trivia

Thank you to for families that have contributed a gift donation towards our annual trivia night. This is our only form of fundraising each year. The gift donations form part of our multi prize raffle draw which is drawn three times throughout the night. We are still accepting prize donations, if you would like to contribute. The gift value is \$40 dollars and can be around a theme or a voucher from a local business.

Flu Season is about to blow in

When should children be kept home from childcare? The answer you will find below

<https://www.careforkids.com.au/newsletter/2010/may/sick-kids.html>

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