

PARENT UPDATE

August 2017

Community Childcare Incorporated (CCI) Annual General Meeting The AGM of our licensing body, Community Childcare Incorporated, will be held on Thursday 28th September at 6.30pm, at Shangri La Gardens, Wynnum West. All parents and guardians are warmly invited to attend. A separate invitation has been forwarded by email.

ACECQA Service Visit Last Friday, Gabrielle Sinclair (CEO) and Rhonda Livingstone (National Education Leader) from ACECQA, visited the office to discuss current topics around family day care and ideas for the future. There were several positive outcomes from the meeting, with a number of team members invited to contribute to ACECQA's work at a national level. Keep an eye out for updates about these projects. See our post on Facebook!

Early Childhood Educators Day - Wednesday 6 September recognises and celebrates the work of educators and is a chance to say THANKYOU for their wonderful contribution to the wellbeing and healthy development of the young children in their care. Acknowledge the day with a simple message of thanks or visit https://www.earlychildhoodeducatorsday.org.au/ for more info.

Queensland Child Protection Week 3 – 9 September 2017 National Child Protection Week invites all Australians to play their part to promote the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. "Protecting children is everyone's business." Communities in which children are seen and heard, where their participation is valued and where their families can get the support they need are stronger communities which contribute to keeping children safe and well. http://napcan.org.au/ncpw/

Early Learning Everyone Benefits campaign Parent Survey Join thousands of parents and educators who want all children to benefit from early learning. As a supporter of the Early Learning Everyone Benefits campaign, we encourage you to share your valuable experience as a parent with a child or children in early childhood education and care by answering a survey that will take less than ten minutes. Just <u>click here</u> to take the short survey before Friday 18 August 2017.

Free access to the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program will continue throughout the state for the next three years, thanks to \$5.35 million in new funding announced today by the Queensland Government! A two-year trial of free Triple P in Queensland has been an outstanding success so far, with more than 85,000 parents, grandparents and carers picking up new parenting skills and strategies – which really work. The new funding means parents of both younger children and teenagers can continue to access specialised Triple P programs for free. Parents can go to free group or individual sessions, or choose to do a self-paced online program. Right now parents can go to the "Find Help" tab on www.triplep-parenting.net and choose from more than 60 seminars, discussion groups or group programs across the state.

Your Child's Development Learning begins from the minute your child is born. In fact, they learn more during their first five years than at any other time in life. That's why it's important your child has opportunities to learn and develop every day. Having a stimulating environment, plus good nutrition and health, will help the brain develop and positively influence your child's physical, social, emotional, cognitive and language skills. Remember, all children develop at different rates. Read about the developmental milestones for your child's age group at this link http://www.startingblocks.gov.au/your-childs-development/.

Community Events Wynnum Manly Events Queensland Ambulance Museum Wynnum – Free Open Day and Sausage Sizzle – Saturday 16 September 9.30am – 2.00pm 33 Tingal Road – Entry from Cedar Street

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