

IF YOU HAVE GOOD THOUGHTS THEY WILL SHINE OUT OF YOUR FACE
LIKE SUNBEAMS AND YOU WILL ALWAYS LOOK LOVELY. – ROALD DAHL

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2022

ON *this* MONTH

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 **Early Childhood
Educators' Day**
— Wed 7 Sept 2022 —



We celebrate early childhood educator's day every year at KIDS. We appreciate the wonderful work our educators do every day. Their work has a powerful influence on our future generation. They carry the love, support, caring, nurturing, education and the raising of our next generation. During the challenging covid lockdowns, when most Australians were told to stay home, our educators have continued working. Their hard work and tireless effort never goes unnoticed. To each and every one of our educators, we say "Thank you!"

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK
4 - 10 September 2022

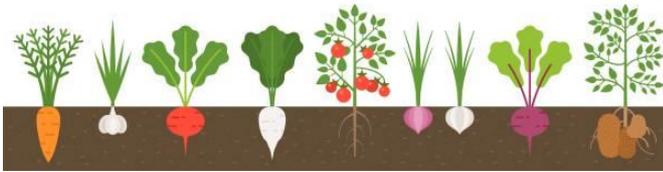


NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK - SEPTEMBER 4-10
National Child Protection Week will continue to embrace the overarching message that ‘Every child, in every community, needs a fair go’. In particular, this year we will be shining a light on children growing up **safe and supported**.
Early childhood education and care services play an important role in sharing the messages with our staff, families and local community. All our educators are encouraged to get involved with National Child Protection week in [various ways](#).



SAVE THE KOALA MONTH - SEPTEMBER 1-30
Learn about the plight of koalas and help to make a difference. There are likely to be less than 80,000 koalas remaining in Australia today and it could be as low as 43,000. Much of their habitat has already been lost. This makes it vitally important to save what is left. Hold a bake sale, create some Koala inspired art, have a face mask night and chill out like the Koalas do!
[BE A HERO FOR THE KOALAS THIS MONTH](#)

Plant a Kitchen Garden



Dig into pleasurable food education and help children form positive food habits for life.

Most of our educators provide gardening experience for children and spring is the perfect time for them to hop into the garden, from growing seedlings and planting vegetables, to mud play, flower art, etc.

Our “start small, dream big” gardening approach is perfect for little hands and curious minds, encouraging children to connect with nature and themselves. It supports implementation of the Australian Children’s Education & Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) National Quality Standard (NQS), and links pleasurable food education to outcomes of the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF).

- ✓ Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world
- ✓ Outcome 3: Children have a strong sense of wellbeing
- ✓ Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners

What to plant this spring:

- Beetroot
- Broccoli
- Cabbages
- Carrots
- Capsicums
- Celery
- Cucumbers
- Eggplants
- Lettuces
- Peas
- Radishes
- Tomatoes
- Strawberries

Inquiry questions to ask children:

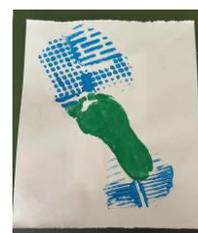
- What does the soil look like? Does it look dry or wet?
- Do you know how to plant a seedling?
- Do you know what season it is?
- Do you know what a companion plant means?

Happy Father’s Day

Celebration



Father’s Day is a time to focus on fun and family. With Father’s Day right around the corner, our educators are keeping the children busy, making gifts and artwork that express their love and make Dad proud.



"Someday I want to walk in your shoes"



Local events, playgroups and resources

- [Playgroup For Dads & Father Figures](#) – City of Monash
- [Dads matter programs](#) – City of Casey
- [Celebrating Superheroes](#) – City of Maroondah
- [Dads of Nunawading \(DG\)](#) – Whitehorse City Council
- [Father's Day at KidsTown](#) – City of Greater Shepparton
- [Information for Dads](#) - Moira Shire Council
- [Dad and Me Cooking Class](#) – Yarra Ranges Council

Reflection of Previous Month

Dental Health Week

From 1st to 7th August, KIDS children participated in a range of activities to celebrate Dental Health Week. Our educators aimed to educate children through discussions and experiences about the importance of maintaining good oral health.



Our children explored dental hygiene practices using large teeth model. By flossing away 'plaque' (Play-Doh) and using a toothbrush and toothpaste on the teeth model, children got to practice these techniques to promote regular dental hygiene.

KIDS has also joined the [Smiles 4 Miles](#) initiative and will be continuing promote good oral health habits and healthy eating in children attending our service.

Science Week

We celebrated Science Week from 13th to 21st Augus. Our educators engaged children in simple investigations by making predictions, experimenting, classifying, drawing conclusions and recording their observations. We had various opportunities to develop children's understanding through the unexpected, which encourages growth of thinking and reasoning skills.



Book Week

Throughout Book Week, our children had the opportunity to participate in a range of experiences to celebrate the power of literacy and share their love for reading.

Book Week across our services included learning and reading some of the most famous pieces of literature, incorporating artwork and dress up of characters from their favourite books. Our children sure know how to jump into the stories and emerge themselves in the characters!

Staff Professional Development



(Source: NSW Family Day Care Association Inc)

This webinar explores:

- How to minimize the risk for children with medical conditions
- What we can do if and when a child needs care when they are with us

Booklet download [here](#)

Watch the video [here](#)

Stay at home if sick



Coughs, Colds and Illnesses

During the last month we had an increase in the number of children away due to colds and associated illnesses. Please remember to notify your educator as soon as possible if your child will be away and the nature of the illness, it would be appreciated.

To prevent the spread of infections, we require parents to keep their children home for 48 hours so they are free from high temperatures, vomiting or diarrhoea.

Thank you for your cooperation regarding this matter.

School Holiday

School Holiday Booking (17/09 – 02/10/2022)

Please let us know as soon as possible if booking is needed for the coming school holiday.

Educator Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 6th September
Time: 8pm
Join Zoom meeting [here](#)

Feedback
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