

In this month's Newsletter...

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what we have been involved in lately.

* Reduce Reuse Recycle - starting our Compost and extending Reuse recycle with Excursion to Vinnies.

***Speech Pathologists** - We are happy to announce that their funding has been granted, allowing them to continue their services to our community.

We appreciate what they do for us, our children and families. We are also grateful for the professional development and support, so that we can do the best we can, for our children and families. **Communication is key for social interactions and learning** and we have diverse levels of communication skills and our goal is for all to be heard and understood. Part of our SIP/QIP.

* Important dates coming up...

- *17th - 23rd The CBCA - **Book Week**... read a book ☺
Theme - **“Reading is my secret power”**.
- * Tuesday 20th - **Photo Day**... Please bring in envelopes before the day and your lovely smiles on the day.
- * Thursday 22nd - **POLD Meeting** - 3.15 in the Sparkles Rm.
- * Thursday 29th - **Blokes Day** and **Open Day**, plus **BBQ Lunch** at Little Diggers.
- As well as a **Barefoot Bowls Day at the LRBC** on
- *Saturday 31st - 11 - 3 come for as long as you like.

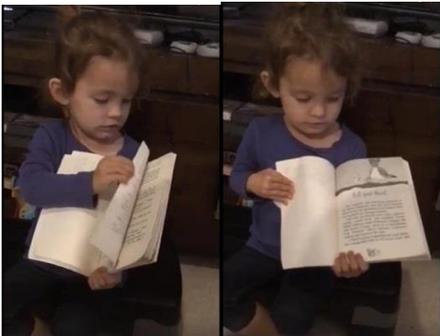
September * 1 - 7 **National Child Protection Week.**

At this time Mission Australia is organizing a **Community Children's Day** on * **Monday the 9th at the AC&FC**, which we will be attending as an Excursion.

* Wednesday 4th - **Early Childhood Educators Day** - Celebrate our awesome Educators... who are here for you, your children and our community. ☺

* Wednesday 18th **Teddy Bears Picnic** - Kinder Start Children.

*** QIP-Update on Paint The Ridge REaD.**



The Message from the relay has been taken home. “Open the cover turn the page.. Read a book, read a book, read a book, book, book”. ☺

QA6.2.3 Community engagement... QA2 Childrens Health and Safety.



* Friday 9th of August - Little Diggers children and families supporting research for **SIDS** Sudden Infants Death Syndrome.



* Tuesday 20th August - **Photo Day**...

*** Photo Day schedule...**

8.30 Family Photos.

9am Sparkles Group Photo.

9.30 Sunshine Group Photo.

Please bring your **photo envelope** before the day.

***Sharing Language and Literacy - Our Totem pole story - Thanks to Aunty June Barker and Darryl Ferguson.**



Children sharing their own **favourite books**, Thanks Willow.
Learning **songs** that get our finger moving... Where is thumbkin?



***From the Children...**



Listening games... "Go, go, stop!" ... freezing in a pose...
...As well as **learning dance moves** "Git up".

Nature has provided us interesting opportunities... an egg was found in the yard and this led to the question (and us thinking) **what could come out of the egg?**

Connecting with our **traffic light conversations** and love of jelly ... we made jelly traffic lights. Go, slow down, stop!



Creative work with Salt Dough... LO5.3 Children express ideas and make meaning using a range of mediums. The children were supported to create, bake and paint some very interesting creations to take home...lots of different ideas as you can see.

Exploring our environment LO4.2d...



...sensory play and learning the science of Sand and Water.



Extending on this using the LO5.3c creative arts to tell a story, to express ideas and make meaning. We revisited watching Kseniya Simonova a sand artist. "Do it like the lady" says Indiana, as she creates her own sand art. Comparing the size of our feet... from the prints in the sand... to painting foot prints on paper... Clay, Milah and Liam engaged in this experience.



Fundamental movement skills - Ball play has been of interest... bouncing, catching and hitting developing hand eye coordination being physical active and having fun with our friends. 😊



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle... Thanks Natalie for finding our Garbage Gobbler game. Brooke learning about this with the children using the tablet. We have also started our Composting... if anyone has any expertise in this area please come and see us and share your knowledge. 😊



***Reduce, Reuse, Recycle...** Hendrik shared that he had a book from a second hand place. This led to organising an Excursion Vinnies, extending on what we have been talking about, get children to thinking - what else they have a home that they may be able to reuse, recycle.

As well as showing kindness to others, by passing on what we don't need or want anymore. *LO2.4 Children become socially responsible and show respect for our environment.



Thank you to Jose for a heap of boxes... We love boxes, they are an openended play material. With **Brads** help the children constructed various objects. **Alira** peeks through. Here we all are... Hip, Hip Horrah!



(Left) - **Milah** used a lid for her baby's basket, reflecting life as they recently welcomed their new baby who "sleeps in a basket" Milah explains.



On our **Excursion to Vinnies** we went past **John Murras Art Gallery**, where our **Dhinawan** hatched and we saw a **metal sculpture** made from recycled materials.



We gathered out the back where we met **Kimbo**, who showed the children how to put what they brought to donate into the **donation bin**... with a bit of help from **Brad**. Pictured here **Izak** putting his bag into the bin. Since our Excursion - **Sophie** went home and found one of her favourite jumpers (that is now too small for her) and she asked Mum if they could "**take it to Vinnies**".



Thank you to Liam, Izak, Phoenix ,Quinn and Hendrik (and Families) for the donations you brought along... clothes and toys. Quinn taking the blocks in to put I the box. This was greatly appreciated by Vinnies



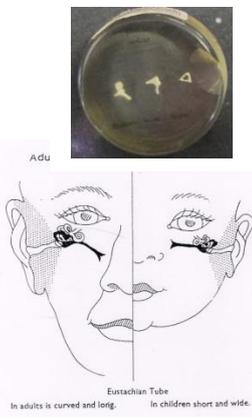
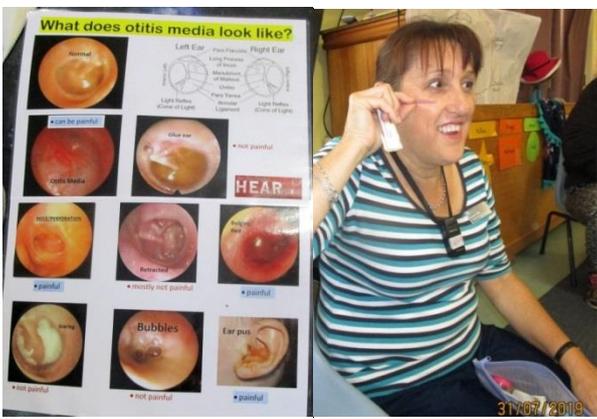
Kimbo explained how they sort the clothes and items before it goes out to the front of the shop. We then went for a look to get more ideas about what else we could reuse, recycle and pass on. We thanked Kimbo and the Vinnies Crew for what they do in our community and sang the song we have been learning.



The childrens toy area was discovered by our children and was very popular. Brad showed how you can try on clothing and Kimbo encouraged children they can have a go too. Hendrik putting a jumper in front of himself. Ethan found "another Ethan in the mirror". Scout found a dress and she said "I am beautiful". Frank found some scooby doo pants he quite liked.



Before leaving we all gathered out the front for a photo. Thank you to Kimbo and everyone at Vinnies for allowing us to come and see what they do. Thank you to Grace, Brad and Robyn for joining us, without you this experience would not have been possible and we appreciate you being a part of our experience.



QA2. Healthy Little Ears Program came for a Visit.

Thank you to **Rachel Mills** and **Donna Rees** from the Dept of Ed Hearing introduced **Sam** and **Lucy** to the children and provided us with some professional development.

We learned to **Breathe, Blow, Cough, Wash and Chew.**

LO2.1.2 Learning about health and hygiene practices and procedures.



Thank you for the great information and books for all. **Sam** and **Lucy** spent time playing with us. (Below)- Children checking Sam's ears and blowing nose, while Lucy looks on. The children helped our



Paint The Ridge REAd Dhinawan and our "I can do it" Puppets learn to blow their nose. Thanks guys.

