



Moana
KINDERGARTEN

WELCOME LETTER JANUARY 2020

Dear Families,

Welcome to Moana Kindergarten, we look forward to another wonderful year ahead.

Our Team of Educators

We are fortunate to have a wonderful and professional team of experienced educators. Our educators are;

Carly Smith: Preschool Director

Sophie Northcott: Preschool Director - Returning from maternity leave Term 2

Kerry Addison: Lead teacher of Frog Group

Kerri Allen: Lead teacher of Turtle Group

Leah Bunney: Early Childhood educator and Finance Officer

Annette Little: Early Childhood Educator

Zoey Browne: Early Childhood Educator

"Watch this Space" says Kerry & Kerri
They plan to add photos, illustrations, and examples of children's play engaging in STEAM.

Learning Environment

Families and educators have spent the last few years updating the outdoor space, to create a rich nature play learning environment.

Our program will be displayed on the programming wall (located on the right wall as you enter). The program enhances each child's learning and development.

Each child's current knowledge, strengths, ideas, culture, abilities and interests are



the foundation of the program. *We want you to be a part of curriculum decision making, please engage in regular conversations with educators to discuss your child's development, interests, and ideas.* This term we will begin the focus on belonging, identity, and getting along. Supporting children to get to know the kindy environment, develop connections with peers and educators, and develop in their confidence. Please see our mind map on the programming wall.



LOOK AT ME! – (floor book) I will be located near the sign in sheet. We regularly use the

thinking and talking floor book to engage in small group work. This is used as a way to document children's learning in partnership with educators. The book has their words, representations and photographs. The purpose of this book is to encourage communication skills through dialogue and experiences and



exploration together in small groups, thus the children are consulted and influence and direct learning taking place.

Learning Port Folio: Each child has their own portfolio, what does it include? Child's work, illustrations, photographs, learning stories, and much more! We encourage you to look at this any time with your child.

What's happening this term!

- Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) and social event: Invitation coming SOON!
- Musical Muscles: Caleb from Musical Muscles will be delivering music program fortnightly every Tuesday and Thursday Terms 1 & 2 (Look up Musical Muscles by Caleb Mason on Facebook or YouTube).
 - Bike Day: Date to be organised.
 - Health Checks: Further information coming soon.
- Parent/ teacher interviews later this term: Date to be organised, further information coming midterm.



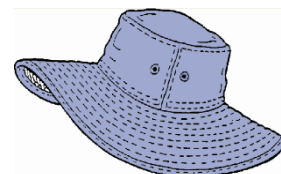
Reminders

Signing in and out - Have you signed your child in each morning and signed them out at the end of the day? Please ensure that you do this every day. *It is a legal requirement!*

Healthy Eating – Our healthy eating policy encourages families to pack healthy food for their child/ children. Healthy eating is essential to a child's development and helps support their learning at preschool.

Please remember...to leave your child's morning and afternoon snack in their bag. Children do not have access to their lunch box until lunch time.

Sun Safety – Please remember to put sunscreen on your child before they come to kindly and your child brings a hat and drink bottle (clearly labelled).



Updating Information – If your contact details have changed please let a staff member know so we can update our records. Also if your child's health condition has changed e.g. developed asthma, allergy, or any other health concerns please inform an educator. Your child's safety is our number one priority.

Health Care Plan – If your child has been diagnosed with a medical condition, a health care plan MUST be provided.



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If you have any questions or queries please see the director.

Thank you, Preschool Team ☺