

April Newsletter 2019

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Tinonee Venue

We are very excited to announce our Tinonee venue is now running on Tuesdays at the Tinonee Hall. Please spread the word so we can build up enrolments at this venue. The Tinonee Hall is a wonderful venue with plenty of space and great facilities.

Parent Information

If there is any information about child development, school readiness, learning, health or even ideas for activities you can do at home please let us know. We will be sharing information resources as often as we can. If you have an idea please share this with us. Our aim is to provide information to families about certain areas that may be of assistance.

School readiness—

Children can start Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn **5** on or before **31** July that year. By law, all children must be in compulsory schooling by their 6th birthday. For Catholic schools the age is 5 on or before the 31st May that year. When your child starts school is an individual decision made by families.

Is your child heading to school in 2020?

Please let Educators know your intentions for your child to attend school so we can support this transition

Not sure if your child should begin school in 2020?

Please speak to educators about your child's progress/ development and your thoughts. We aim to help you make an informed decision to support your child.

Interesting Youtube Videos

[The Importance of Brain Development in the First Five Years](http://youtu.be/NDk1T_9RBoY)

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[Brain Animation The Frameworks Insitute](https://youtu.be?UmxoiU87dp8)

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Illnesses

Remember if your child is unwell, please keep them at home. If they have had a temperature, vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24hrs they are not to attend preschool. Our policy states they are required to stay home for 24hrs after symptoms have ceased. Keeping infected children at home will help stop the spread of illnesses, to meet our licensing and policy requirements. Thankyou for your cooperation.

Photos from Flying Fox Venues

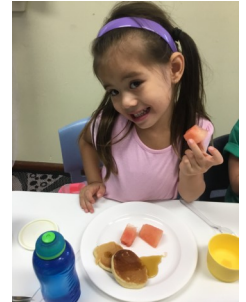


Cooperbrook

Challenging our gross motor skills as we use balance skills, coordination, muscle movement and control to complete the obstacle course.

Lansdowne

Cooking pancakes for Shrove Tuesday. The children had fun helping mix the ingredients but even more fun eating the pancakes!



Elands

Name writing practise, carefully concentrating as we trace over the letters in our name.

Mt George

Investigating our individual features through self portrait drawing. Looking at our faces in the mirror then drawing what we can see.



Name Writing and Letter Sounds

At Flying Fox venues the children have been involved in the beginning process of writing their names. We use name cards for children to trace over, giving opportunities for them to develop an awareness of the process and link between their name and the visual letters that make their name. Name writing requires small muscle strength and control to complete letter formation. This process has various steps and we work on this in many ways from small motor activities to strengthen muscles, drawing and painting to develop pencil grip and control and letter recognition games.

Next term we will also begin a language and literacy program which teaches children letter sounds and recognition through songs. This is part of our school readiness program and we are excited to see it in action.

Last day of preschool for term 1 — Friday 12th April
First day of preschool for term 2 — Monday 29th April