



The Ridge Childcare

Newsletter—December 2014

IMPORTANT DATES: OUR LAST DAY FOR 2014 WILL BE **Wednesday 24TH** DECEMBER 2014. WE WILL BE RE-OPENING ON **Monday 5TH** JANUARY 2014. If you have not yet filled in our notice regarding you child's hours over the Christmas period, please ask staff for one so we can gauge what our staff ratio needs to be over this time.



Renovations

We have now completed our renovation of the Under Two sleep room which has now doubled in size. We have also finished the Focus Time room which is our 'Transition To School' programme for our 4yr olds. The children also now have a lot more shade as the roof over the deck has been extended which is great for both summer and winter. Thank you for your patience during these renovations.

Please make sure you name your child's items that are brought into the centre, including dummies, bottles and clothes. As you can imagine, when we have up to forty children here and things are not named it can be a bit of a nightmare!

Also for the Under Two children, could you please supply a named sunhat, preferably one that can be left here. We provide sun-block, but if your child has delicate skin, please provide it to us (named).

Children's Christmas Party

We will be having our annual party for the children on the 12th December @ 2pm. Please provide a gift (under \$10) before this date for Santa to give to your child.

Parents, grandparents and other family members are welcome to attend, please advise staff if you will be attending and approximately how many family

members.



Car Seats

We have been getting a number of parents having to leave their child's car seat here during the day which is fine, but we would like to ask that you please drop off and collect this through the 'staff entrance' gate and leave just by the back door.

Thankyou





Please try to keep to your child's enrolled hours that you attested to on the enrolment form. This is a **requirement** by the Ministry Of Education which we must abide by. If you know that your drop off or pick up times are going to be different on a regular basis (for more than 3 x weeks), then you **must** inform Lynne or Julie and fill out a change of time form. It is even more vital when we are busy as we must keep our staff/child ratios to the requirement level.

Our roll is filling fast, especially our Under Two's. If you know of someone that is thinking of enrolling their child in the centre, please advise them to call in and have a look around as we are getting close to having to have a waiting list..

Well this is our last newsletter for 2014 ... All of us here at the centre wish you and your family a very festive and happy holiday season. We hope you all stay safe and in good health.

We are so privileged to care and nurture your gorgeous children and watch them grow through their different stages of pre-school years. From all of us, thank you for this opportunity.

Best wishes, all the team at The Ridge Childcare,

Angelica, Margie, Erica, Dianne, Heather, Kylie, Keryn, Carolien, Claire, Micaela, Julie, Lynne and Dale.