



Ninna Marni everyone

Upholding child safety is a core responsibility of our Centre and something that is embedded in all aspects of our practice. As a staff team we have been working through The National Quality Framework Child Safe Culture Guide.

Promoting a child safe culture is about more than laws and regulations, it is also about supporting parents in their parenting role, ensuring parents & children have a voice in decisions that affect them and creating a community that provides a sense of inclusion and belonging.

That is why we invite parents to contribute to reviewing our policies & Philosophy, why we involve children in reviewing and developing risk assessments whenever possible & why we provide groups and information sessions for families, including:

- Multicultural women's group
- Dad's playgroup
- Parent forum about cyber safety
- Circle of security Parenting programs
- Harmony Day Kite day event

If you have other topics that you would like to find out about, please let us know.

Introducing the 2026 Management Committee

We would like to express our sincerest thanks to the outgoing Management Committee members Jess Tzerefos, Henry Sheedy & Hetty Ovan. We have greatly appreciated your contribution to the Centre and support of staff & families during your time on the Committee

Our Centre (child care & preschool) is managed by a committee of parents and staff. The Committee meets every month on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 6-8pm.

At our recent Annual General Meeting, a new Management Committee for the Centre was elected.

The 2026 Committee members are:

- Burcu Subasi -Chairperson & Public Officer
- Rowena McAvaney- Director Education and Care
- Lisa Panes
- Scott Lambert
- Rachel Wright
- Rhianna Woodbury
- Lee Jones- Assistant Director
- 1 Staff representative (to be decided)

We look forward to a productive year of working alongside the Committee to continue delivering high quality care and education for your children, and to identify areas for improvement as we plan for the future.

Important Dates

Mar 11	Cybersafety parent forum
Mar 18	Management Committee 6-8
Mar 21	Kite Day
Apr 3	CENTRE CLOSED- Good Friday
Apr 6	CENTRE CLOSED- Easter Monday
Apr 10	Last Day Term 1
Apr 11	Dads Playgroup 9:30-11
Apr 27	1 st Day Term 2

POLICIES CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW:

If you would like to contribute to the review of the policies, they are available to read on our [website](#) or you can request a copy from the office.

- [Water Safety procedure](#)
- Equipment Policy

Community Development Co-ordinator

Harmony Day Kite Day

Saturday March 21 9:30-11am

(wear something orange too!)

Harmony Week is the celebration that recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds.

It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

Come along and make a kite together with your child and then fly it on the oval!

We have a **Multi-Cultural Women's Group** that meet regularly on Wednesday mornings from 9.30am-11am. Childcare is also provided. The group is a great opportunity to listen to guest speakers talk about interesting topics and activities that help us with our parenting role.

I'm available to have 1:1 conversation about **Toilet Learning** if you're thinking about starting with your child or you have started and you have questions about "What now". I can make an appointment to meet face to face or happy to have a phone conversation at a convenient time for you.

Don't forget we also have **Dad's playgroup** on the first Saturday of each month, 9.30am-11am. This is facilitated by Lee and myself. All Dad's, Uncles and Grandparents and any significant males are welcome to come along. No need to register for this group, just turn up.

Please feel free to contact me on my mobile 0434882267 or email jill.meldrum@sa.gov.au to register or find out more about the groups mentioned.

Thank you, Jill

PAYMENT OF FEES

As a not-for profit Centre it is important that both childcare and preschool fees are paid regularly and on time. **Families are expected to pay fees either weekly or fortnightly** unless special arrangements are negotiated with the Director and the Management Committee. Fees are charged for all bookings, including when the child is absent.

Our fees are primarily used to cover our operating costs including educator's wages, curriculum resources, food and upkeep of the Centre. Therefore, regular payment of your fees is necessary for us to operate.

If you don't pay your fees, you will be contacted to discuss payment options. Continued failure to pay your fees may result in your child's care or preschool being suspended until fees are paid or a payment plan is in place.

Please keep children at home if they are unwell

The nature of interactions within our Centre means that illness can quickly spread. Exclusion of sick children and implementing effective hygiene practices reduce the risk of infection and the transmission of illness. The centre does not have the facilities or the staff to care for sick children therefore children who are unwell, or have infectious or contagious diseases-should stay at home.

"The aim of exclusion is to reduce the spread of infectious disease...Excluding ill children, educators and other staff is an effective way to limit the spread of infection" (Staying Healthy in Child Care, p13)



Community Library

Thank you to Banjo and his family for donating books to be used in our community library. Books are available for loan on the front verandah and on the kindy verandah. No need to record your name, just take home, enjoy and bring back to the returns basket when your child is ready. Sharing books with your child helps expand their vocabulary. To read more about this click here [Reading and language exposure : Words Grow Minds](#)

Dietary, Health Care and Medication Plans for Children

Some children have Health Care Plans in place so that we can support their specific health & dietary needs.

Health care plans have a review date, but this is not an expiry date. If a review date has passed, the care plan can still be used until an updated plan is developed.

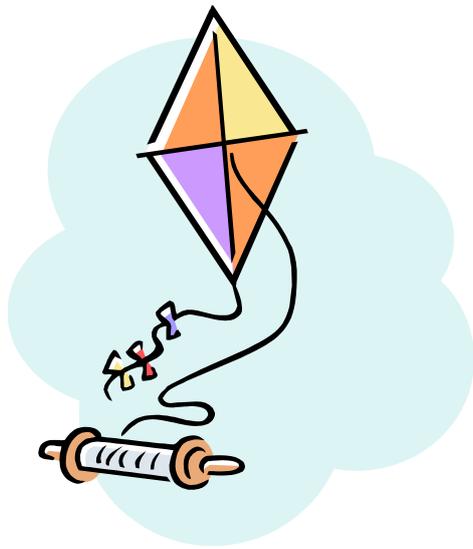
At a minimum, the plan should be reviewed and updated annually, or when:

- symptoms increase
- there has been a medical emergency related to the health condition.
- day to day needs change

If your child's plan changes, please ensure the Centre receives an updated health care plan and corresponding medication (where appropriate) which is within its use-by period.

An excerpt from our Child Health Policy ...

“Parents are required to notify the Centre at the time of enrolment, or as soon as they receive a diagnosis, of any ongoing medical conditions or health needs (eg: asthma, diabetes, or anaphylaxis). Together, parents and the Team Leader will complete a Health Support Agreement and the Centre will provide the parents with all relevant Health Care, Diet and Medication Plans to be completed and signed by a Doctor. It is the parent's responsibility to make sure that all plans are reviewed regularly and that medications provided are within use-by dates.”



A Celebration for Harmony Week

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Saturday 21st March - 9.30 am-11:00 am

In the garden outside the Community Space

Come and make a kite with your child and then fly it on the oval.

Morning Tea is provided

To register contact Jill on 8342 3329 or
jill.meldrum@sa.gov.au

