



NORTH RINGWOOD PLAYGROUP

**TERM 3
2019**

Presidents Report

The committee and attendants welcome you to Term 3!

What a fun Term 2! Along with Kiddie Kutter fundraiser and mother's day raffle, members participated in our online survey. This is a fantastic way to provide feedback to the committee and attendants to hear what you are enjoying and benefitting from and ensuring we continue to make the playgroup the best it can be. In particular, was the positive comments for our two attendants Andrea and Mari. You both deserve the praise, thank you for your hard work. Our Vice President Michelle is collating the results and we will provide you with feedback for how the committee will follow up on any recommendations.

A massive thank you to all who participated in our inside working bee this Term. We were able to ensure our stock of toys were working and clean, as well as do a clean-up of the crafts and activities within our storeroom. On some exciting news we have launched a new Tiny Tots session this term. With sensory, motor and fine motor skill activities targeted towards the 0-1 age group.

This term we have many fun things planned, we are having a special visitors week, where we can bring someone special with us to Playgroup, a footy dress up day and the ever-popular Art on a Plate fundraiser. To celebrate Fathers' day our incredible Fundraising officer, Emma, has made super hero mask and card kits!! Additionally, she secured two fantastic prizes that can be won just by purchasing one of the kits.

To update you about the Pick My Project grant, due to some unforeseen maintenance, the roof restoration will be pushed back to the Christmas holiday break. The work will begin on the stormwater drainage and electrical connection to ensure the grounds are safe and sustainable.

Thank you again to the supportive and dedicated committee members, I have so much fun and feel so involved in the community. For anyone who is interested in coming onto the committee and would love to be engaged in the running of the playgroup we have sub-fundraising roles and a maintenance role available.

A special shout out to Yarra Valley Races, Myer cookware, Maroondah Leisure and Luna Park who are all donating packages or items worth over \$100 for our AGM raffle!!

I hope you have a wonderful Term 3,

Leisel Carmichael

2019 Term Dates

Term 3:

July 15th- 20th
September

Term 4:

October 7th- 13th
December

Fundraising Art on a Plate

Father's Day Super
Hero Masks

Allergies

To protect our children, no food or products containing nuts should be put into children's or shared morning tea.



Sharing and Taking Turns

Learning to share can be a challenge for young children, but sharing is a skill they need for play and learning throughout childhood. You can help your child learn to share by giving them plenty of time and opportunities to practise. Praise and encouragement for good sharing will help too.

Sharing teaches children about compromise and fairness. Children who share also learn how to take turns, negotiate and how to cope with disappointment. These are all important life skills.

Children also need **opportunities to learn about and practise** sharing. Here are some ways to encourage sharing in everyday life:

- Point out good sharing in others. You can say things like, 'Your friend was sharing her toys really well. That was very kind of her'.
- When you see your child trying to share or take turns, make sure you give lots of praise and attention. For example, 'I liked the way you let Jack play with your train. Great sharing!'

If you would like more information on how to teach this difficult skill visit 'raisingchildren.net.au'

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Parking

Please reverse park and keep speed to a walking pace

Morning Tea

Please add your name to the morning tea roster on the kitchen bench to bring a plate for the adults to enjoy (nut free)

Enrolments

Term 3 Invoices are now overdue.



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Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Our AGM is coming up on the 14th of October. In order to remain a Playgroup, we need as many of our members there (quorum). There will be refreshments, entertainment, a raffle and a short meeting to discuss yearly matters. We will also be electing our new a Play Group Committee. If you are interested in volunteering your time to help ensure playgroup continues to run please see your attendant.



Art on a Plate Fundraiser

This term we will be selling Art on a Plate- a great keepsake or gift idea for families. There are two sizes available:

1. Small \$20
2. Large \$28

Please see your attendants for more information.



Having a baby?

Congratulations!

Please inform us so that we can monitor session numbers

Under the age of 6 months are free!

No Obligation Trial

Know anyone interested in joining our little community, there are still some sessions with spaces available.

Contact our enrolments officer for more details:

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Behaviour Management Strategies for NRPG

As we all know young children can find managing social interactions very difficult, often lashing out in anger, as they have not yet developed the proper communication skills.

We do, however, understand this can be upsetting for children and parents involved.

North Ringwood Play Group have a suggested policy for managing negative behaviours (including hitting, kicking, lashing out and biting).

1. Nearest adult, parent/caregiver to remove children who are in danger or conflict from the immediate situation
2. Alert the parent/caregiver of the children if they didn't see it.
3. Reinforce positive behavior and encourage your child to use words: Stop- I don't like that' or 'I'm sorry'.

If the negative behavior continues: Time out to be implemented
Time in a quiet space, away from other children with a couple of toys child to recover self-control and regain composure.

If child is not monitored or followed up than it can become dangerous for other children and create an unsafe environment and the child may need to leave the session for that morning. This is at the discretion of the carer or the attendant.

Just a reminder, all parents need to be actively supervising their child/ren while at Playgroup. This will help keep the children safe and happy.





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NRPG group sizes

This term we have seen a fantastic increase in new members at NRPG. It has been lovely to welcome so many new families to our community. As a result of this most of our sessions are at capacity.

Friday still has plenty of space available for those wanting a quieter session. All babies under 6 months are free of charge, however please remember to **let us know if you are expecting**, as we take this into account when organising group sizes.



Members Survey

A huge **thankyou** to everyone who participated in our 2019 member's survey. The committee takes all suggestions on board and we cannot run without your feedback. All members have been emailed out a copy of the results. We are now working on putting your wonderful suggestions into place.

thank
you!



Craft Program Term 3

WEEK	ACTIVITY 1	ACTIVITY 2	NOTES
ONE July 15 - 19	Pallet Painting	Collage Fabric gluing	TERM 3 FEES NOW DUE
TWO July 22 - 26	Crayon colouring	Music shakers	
THREE July 29-Aug 2	Painting Fireworks	Fluffy clouds & raindrops	
FOUR Aug 5 - 9	Easel Painting	Snow Man	
FIVE Aug 12 - 16	Ink Stamping	Snails	
SIX Aug 19 - 23	Chalk on black paper	Polar Bears	
SEVEN Aug 26 - 30	Finger Painting	Something for Dad / Grand-dad	HAPPY FATHER'S DAY  September 1st
EIGHT Sept 2 - 6	Crayons	Colourful Parrots	
NINE Sept 9 - 13	Dab Painting	Spring Blossoms	SPECIAL  VISITORS WEEK 😊
TEN Sept 16 - 20	Water Paint & Oil drops	Streamers/Colouring Jumpers/Flags	FOOTY WEEK!!
			Term 4 starts Monday 7th October



From Our Attendants

During Term 3 we will be making some craft activities relevant to our seasons, like making Winter snowmen and polar bears, then as we move into Spring, we will be making spring blossoms and colourful parrots.

We will be making something for Dad or Grand-dad to celebrate Father's Day and we will also be having a Special Visitors Day!

As Term 3 is during our winter season there may be wet weather days, when we will endeavour to keep the children engaged in some alternative indoor activities.

We look forward to seeing you in Term 3, for more fun time.

Andrea & Mari

Father's Day Super Hero Masks

Our wonderful fundraising team have organised Super Hero Masks for Father's Day. These can be purchased closer to the date and made at home. Two lucky families will win a secret prize found in their pack!

Keep an eye out for more details in your Playgroup Session.





Immunisations

Playgroup Group Victoria and **North Ringwood** support the National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia's recommendation that **all children should be immunised**, unless there is a clear medical reason why this should not occur.

At this stage it is **optional** for families to provide information regarding immunisation status to NRPG. In the event of an infectious disease outbreak, it may be used so we can inform you. Information will only be used by committee members and will be filed away.

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