

Newsletter

March 2010

Bambino's Harrington Park



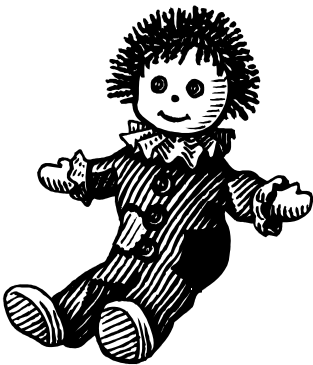
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Parent information evening

Harrington Park centre 2 will be hosting a parent teacher night where staff from all 4 centres will be available to chat and answer any of your questions regarding your child's development and programming within the centre.

We encourage you all to come and have a chat and explore your child's day.
6.15pm - 7.15pm.

Security review

We have recently reviewed our centre procedures relating to centre security.

To ensure that our centres are safe during the day, all centres will be fitted with a door bell. This will need to be used for any persons entering or visiting the centres between 10.00am - 3.00pm, during which time the front door will be locked.

If you arrive at the centre outside these times and the children are outdoors playing, please proceed to the outdoor area to meet staff and to sign your child in or out.

Please be sure to let any relatives or friends who collect your children on your behalf that this new procedure is being implemented.

We would appreciate if you could email any feedback you have relating to this new procedure to adminhp2@bambinoskindergarten.com.au

Updated fee Policy

From February 16th - 19th 2010, all families were given an updated fee policy via their parent information pocket. This new policy has been reviewed in conjunction with the centres fee payment options and parent fee statement.

The need for this review arose due to the large number of families that accidentally overlook their weekly fees that are due.

This new policy comes into effect from March 1st 2010. Please take the time to familiarise yourselves with this updated policy and feel free to come and chat to your centre director if you have any concerns, queries or questions.

Previously all statements were delivered to your information pocket. From March 1st, we will be swapping to a greener way of delivering statements to you. This will be done via email on a weekly basis.

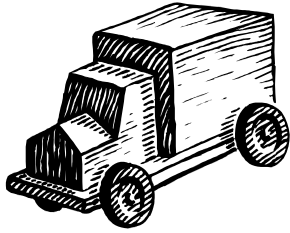
We ask that all parents ensure we have your correct email address, as well as your preferred email address for those of you that have multiple emails. If you are not receiving your statement, you will need to advise us so we can rectify any hiccup's.

If you prefer, you can send us an email from your preferred address then you are sure we have the correct details and can bounce your statement back to that email address.

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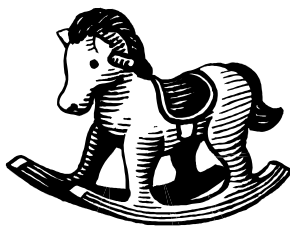
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"Parent evening"

Bambino's Kindergartens
Harrington Park 2

Tuesday March 9th
6.15-7.15pm



April School Holidays

The first round of school holidays for 2010 are fast approaching. We are currently offering a jam packed Vacation care program with lots of great activities and fun outings.

Bookings are limited to 26 children per day and vacation care is held at HP2, so be sure to book early as positions have already started to fill quickly.

This holidays we are focusing on health and fitness, so there will be lots of excursions that promote an active life style, as well as classroom projects on good food and a healthy body.

Care is \$45.00 per child per day. All vacation care needs to be paid in full at the time of booking. Children are required to bring their own lunch, as most days we are not at the centre during lunch time, so children will have a picnic lunch on route from excursions. We provide morning and afternoon tea. Please remember we are a nut free centre, so no nutella or peanut butter sandwiches or snacks containing nuts are to be brought.

Below is a vacation care excursion roster with pricing. Program will be handed out on booking. Please remember all excursions must be paid in cash prior to the day of the excursion

If your child suffers from asthma, DON'T FORGET THEIR MEDICATION ON EXCURSION DAYS.

Excursions

Week 1

Monday 5/4/10 - Easter Monday PUBLIC HOLIDAY. Centre closed.

Tuesday 6/4/10 - Stroke correction @ Aqua Turtles swim school - \$11.00

Wednesday 7/4/10 - Bunnings Kids workshop. Painting and seedling planting - Free

Thursday 8/4/10 - Tennis workshop @ Harrington Park courts - \$5.00

Friday 9/4/10 - Tennis workshop @ Harrington Park courts - \$5.00

Week 2

Monday 12/4/10 - Athletics day at Harrington Park oval and picnic lunch- Free

Tuesday 13/4/10 - Stroke correction swimming. Aqua turtle swim school Narellan - \$11.00

Wednesday 14/4/10 - Stranger danger and self defence workshop @ PDS - \$10.00

Thursday 15/4/10 - Camden showground fitness day and picnic lunch - Free

Friday 16/04/10 - Cycle and scooter ride, Harrington Park cycleway - Free BYO scooter/bike.

All children MUST have a helmet to participate in this excursion

Week 3

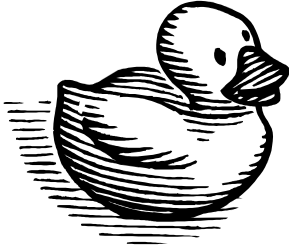
Monday 19/4/10 - Gymnastics workshop. Narellan Gymnastics academy. - \$10.00

Tuesday 20/4/10 - School resumes for Term 2 2010

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What's on @ HP2

The first 3 months at HP2 have been busy and filled with lots of birthdays.

We have welcomed the schoolies in the morning and afternoons, and we have also got a new bus.

Miss Bo will be paying us a visit to do a dance group for a day which will be lots of fun, and we will learn how to relax and move our bodies, as well as develop our co ordination and balance.

The Easter bunny might pop in for a visit early in April, and the teachers will be having a staff meeting to discuss the programs and evaluate their progress so far.

Children's portfolios are getting under way, and the teachers have been taking lots of great photos of us for them.

We have purchased a huge range of new toys that are age appropriate for our schoolies to enjoy. Skipping ropes, Chess, Sentence domino's, Memory, Connect four, Xbox and twister are just a few.

Expression of interest: Swimming lessons

We are currently seeking expression of interest from those families wishing for their children to attend swimming lessons during preschool hours.

Aqua Turtle has offered us an exclusive session time for Bambino's children to attend the pool on a weekly basis to have swimming lessons. This would free up your time as a parent and give back vital time at home with your child, as we all seem to never have enough hours in the day to squeeze all the extra curricular activities in.

Each lesson is \$11.00 per child for a ½ hour lesson.

At this point we are starting with children aged from 3 years.

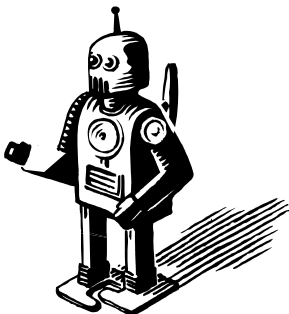
Please see Kelly or Sarah if you are interested in your child participating.

Things for our busy box

We need:

- old stockings,
- Old shirts for paint smocks,
- Newspapers,
- plastic bottle tops,
- small off cuts of wood,
- egg shells (washed please)
- Glass baby food jars with lids

If you are able to save these items to donate to preschool it would be appreciated.



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Farewell Nikki

After several years at this centre, we are sad to farewell Nikki from our team.

Nikki has chosen to undertake a new challenge at a job closer to home.

This will give her more time with her family.

Nikki has been an asset to our centre and the children have grown to love her.

We will miss her caring nature and all the great love and attention she gave to each individual child.

We all wish her well.

Nikki's last day will be Tuesday March 9th.

We would also like to welcome Natarsha. Natarsha is our newest trainee, and will be spending the next 12 months with us while she studies her Certificate III in Child Studies.

Natarsha will be working fulltime at the centre and experience the day to day involvement in all 4 rooms.

Please feel free to introduce yourself and have a chat to her and make her feel welcome.

Policy review

This month we will be reviewing 4 centre policies.

These policies will be on display in the foyer, with a parent comments and feedback form.

We value your input and comments on our centre policies and always look to improve or amend when the need is evident.

Please write your comments on the form provided and we will address all feedback at our next staff meeting.

Policies under review this month are:

- Access to children policy
- Arrival and departure policy
- Anaphylaxis policy
- Asthma policy

Please remember the policy folder is readily available for all parents to peruse at any time.

We also have a large range of information on various topics in the parent library located on the wall outside the office. Feel free to help yourself to any topic that takes your interest.

If there is an area of interest that we don't have any information on, just let us know and we will see what we can chase up for you.

