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HOPE YOU ARE ALL SAFE, WELL AND WARM!

(National Quality Area 2: Children's Health and Safety)

Preventing the spread of influenza

Flu can be serious for children especially children under five years old.

As early childhood education and care providers, you play an important role in protecting children, colleagues, families and communities from influenza.

Do your parents and families know that the flu vaccine is free to children aged between six months and under five years?

National Burns Awareness Month

June is National Burns Awareness Month and Kidsafe Australia, in partnership with the Australian and New Zealand Burn Association, is urging parents and carers to be extra vigilant at preventing burns and ensuring they know correct first aid.

If a burn happens, the most effective first aid is clean, cool, running water for 20 minutes within an hour of the burn occurring.

Common causes of scalds and burns to children include:

- Hot food and drink (e.g. hot tea and coffee).
- Hot water, often from bath water.
- Heaters and fires.
- Household and kitchen appliances (e.g. irons, ovens, stoves, microwaves, kettles and toasters).
- Lack of supervision around potential burn and scald hazards.
- Lack of working smoke alarms.

Scalds from hot food and drink commonly occur when young children pull items down on themselves or running into or being held by someone who has a hot drink and spills it. Hot liquid at 60°C takes only a second to cause a third-degree burn.

CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Reminder to all Educators if you haven't completed your Child Safe Environment training please do so. It is due by the end of the week

Any questions please contact your Coordinator.

(National Quality Area 6: Collaborative partnerships with families and communities)

NAIDOC Week

(National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee)

NAIDOC Week's a time to celebrate the histories, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. It's held each year during the first week of July and is an important annual event where everyone's invited to join in the celebrations.

It's a chance to celebrate First Nations Peoples of Australia, a chance to highlight challenges that need addressing, a chance to learn about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, and a chance to engage with amazing cultures that are thousands of years old.

Please google NAIDOC Week for activities or view email from 24/6/2022 for local NAIDOC week events.

Monthly Focus

(National Quality Area 2: Children's Health and Safety)

Training For Specific Medical Conditions:

It is becoming increasingly more common for children to have diagnosed medical conditions. As Educators it is our responsibility to have the knowledge and tools to support the children in our care for any emergency that may arise.

While we all have our Child Care First Aid Certificates, this information is still general and not always specific enough for our children's needs.

Quality Improvement:

Moving forward Lara will be sourcing and arranging training for those Educators that have children with specific needs. These will be online and can be done in your own time. This is just for your own knowledge and confidence and a way to support your everyday work. Each of the Coordinators will have also worked through the training and can assist you with your learning.

The more common medical conditions (for example Asthma) will be available for all. It is not compulsory if you do not have a child with this condition in care but a way for Educators to increase their knowledge base.

Asthma is the first Medical Condition we are addressing. The training was sent out on Wednesday 29/6/2022. If you have a child with Asthma, please complete training as soon as possible.

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Friendly Reminders

HOME SAFETY AND REREGISTRATION.

If you have any follow ups required from your Home Safety Visits, please complete these as soon as possible. Please remember these are the standards we require of all environments whenever children are in care.

Administration Update:

Please note the new CCS rates and Family Day Care Cap changes.

Please see email sent 30/06/2022 for full details.

This information has also been sent to parents

END OF FINICIAL YEAR INFOMATION:
Your tax statement will be made available to you through Harmony once the week ending has been finalised. We will notify you when this is available.



A child's life is like
a piece of paper
on which every person
leaves a mark.

Feedback: As a team, all feedback goes to helping us work on areas of improvement, extend on areas we are doing well in and most importantly work towards giving children the best quality care possible.