

# Angaston Kindergarten Newsletter

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**Term 2 Week 1 – 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

## Welcome to Term 2

We hope you had a wonderful break with your little people at home. It has been lovely hearing about the children's holiday adventures and play with their families. Along with welcoming you back, this term we will welcome some new faces at kindy. Heidi Maitland and Tracy Rathjen are both Early Childhood Educators who will be joining us on and off throughout the year. Secondly, in supporting our local community and its members we will welcome one TAFE student Abbey every Tuesday, 3 Nuir High Work Experience Students in week 4 and 2 Faith Work Experience Students in week 10.



Heidi Maitland



Tracy Rathjen

Please help us make them all feel welcome and they are really looking forward to being a part of our preschool journey.

## Important Dates

**Term 2 Wednesday Kindy Sessions:** 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 17<sup>th</sup> May, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 14<sup>th</sup> June, 28<sup>th</sup> June

**Term 2 Play Group Sessions:** 10<sup>th</sup> May, 24<sup>th</sup> May, 7<sup>th</sup> June, 21<sup>st</sup> June

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May:** Braossa Farmer's Market Breakfast Bar

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May:** Scholastic Book Club Orders due

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May:** Informal visits to Angaston Primary begin

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** CYH Checks

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 7pm:** Governing Council

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:** Kindy Pupil Free Day NO KINDY

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:** Children's Disco Night

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June:** Public Holiday

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 7pm:** Governing Council

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July:** Last Day of Term



## Curriculum Learning

Today we had a great visit from the Flinders University Student Drs and their Teddy Bear Hospital. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to familiarise themselves with the role of a Dr in their trusted setting. It is also a great opportunity for Student Drs to build their capacity and skills in working with young children. It is always an experience that is enjoyed by the children as they bravely meet new people, enjoy taking on the role of a parent or carer and share their stories of their teddy's illness or injury. We are all very lucky to share this experience.



## Term 2 Learning Journey's

We hope you enjoyed reading about your child's learning thus far and catching up with your child's key educator to share your thoughts and feelings on your child's learning journey. You are your child's first teacher and it is always great for us to hear how things are going for you and your children at home. As part of these conversations several families asked for information on different aspects of their child's growth and development, some of which included emotional wellbeing and regulation, literacy skills and the benefits of learning through play. Included here are some links to some useful websites and pieces of information that may help to support you with your child's learning journey.

Reading with Preschoolers: <https://www.startingblocks.gov.au/at-home/reading-with-preschoolers>

Your Child's Learning and how to support them at home: [Child's Development 3 to 5 years | Starting Blocks](#)

Supporting your child's learning through play: [Importance of play for children | Starting Blocks](#)

Social and Emotional Development: [Social and emotional development \(beyondblue.org.au\)](https://www.beyondblue.org.au)

### THE EMOTIONAL CUP

Some ways that children deal with having an empty cup:

- Steal from other people's cups
- Misbehave to get your attention and show that they need a refill
- Seem to have bottomless cups, or need constant 'topping off'
- Can't sit still for refills or actively refuse them
- Bounce off the walls when they approach 'empty'
- Think they have to fight or compete for every refill

What fills a child's cup:

- Play
- Friendship
- One-on-one time
- Love and affection
- Connection
- Succeeding
- Doing what they love



What empties a child's cup:

- Stress and strain
- Rejection by peers
- Loneliness and isolation
- Yelling and punishment
- Failing
- Fatigue
- Doing what they hate



### THE EMOTIONAL CUP

Possible emotions that can fill your cup:

Positive emotions:		Negative emotions:
Calm		Afraid
Creative		Angry
Cheerful		Anxious
Delighted		Ashamed
Energetic		Contested
Ecstatic		Confused
Elated		Depressed
Excited		Disappointed
Fortunate		Disgusted
Free		Embarrassed
Grateful		Frustrated
Happy		Guilty
Inspired		Helpless
Joyous		Hurt
Kind	Insecure	
Loving	Jealous	
Peaceful	Misunderstood	



## Friendly Reminders

- Please remember to label your child's clothes, drink bottle, lunch box etc.
- With the wet weather coming please pack spare clothes and gumboots

## Child Youth Health 4yr Checks

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May the CYH Nurse will be visiting to conduct 4 year old – Pre-School Checks. If you would like to make an appointment for your child, please speak to an educator.

## Playgroup

We are looking forward to offering Playgroup every second Wednesday from 9.00am – 10.30am. Our playgroup is educator-supported and a great opportunity to connect with other families in the community. At this stage, our first playgroup will be Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

## Facebook Page

We encourage you to join our Facebook Pages as a way of keeping up-to-date on important information and sharing your children's learning at Kindy.



Angaston Kindergarten 2023  
Families  
Private group · 43 members



Angaston Playgroup 2023  
Public group · 42 members

## Closure Day and Disco Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

On Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June the Centre will be closed for Educators to attend professional learning on supporting children's emotional wellbeing at Kapunda Preschool. We are excited to come back at the end of the day to gather with your children for a disco which the children are also very excited about. The Disco will be for current preschool children only and will run from 5.30pm-7pm. More information will be out closer soon.

## Informal visits to school

This term we will commence our informal transition visits to the Angaston Primary School. You will notice several of these entries on the calendar as each group will visit the school fortnightly exploring different areas and meeting different School Educators. These visits to the school help to support the children to both build connections and develop their understanding of the school context no matter what school they will be attending. Attached is a letter detailing the nature of these visits for your information and an excursion consent form for each child to be filled out and returned by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

## General use Adrenaline autoinjectors (EpiPen)

Please also find attached to the email a letter from the Department for Education providing you with information on the use of Adrenaline Autoinjectors in Department for Education preschools and schools.

**We are looking forward to another wonderful Term of learning!**

# Term 2 2023 Angaston Kindergarten Calendar

Term 2						
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Comment
1	1 May	2 May Tafe Student	3 May <b>Teddy Bears Hospital</b> – Flinders University Students visiting	4 May	5 May	6 <sup>th</sup> May – Farmers Market Breakfast stall – 8am-11am
2	8 May	9 May Tafe Student	10 May Playgroup - No-Kindy today	11 May	12 May	
3	15 May <b>Emergency Practice</b>	16 May Tafe Student <i>Reception Visit at kindy</i>	17 May CYH Checks	18 May <b>Emergency Practice</b> <i>Reception Visit at kindy</i>	19 May	
4	22 May Nuri High Work Experience Students visiting all week	23 May Tafe Student <i>National Simultaneous Story Time with receptions</i> Governing Council Meeting 6.30pm	24 May Playgroup - No-Kindy today	25 May	26 May	
5	29 May	30 May Tafe Student <i>Reconciliation Week visit to the library</i>	31 May	1 June <i>Reconciliation Week visit to the library</i>	2 June Pupil Free Day – NO KINDY Children’s Disco	
6	5 June	6 June Tafe Student	7 June Playgroup - No-Kindy today	8 June	9 June	
7	12 June Public Holiday KING’S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY	13 June Tafe Student <i>Hall/PE meet Mr Bradley - Circuit</i>	14 June	15 June <i>Hall/PE meet Mr Bradley - Circuit</i>	16 June	
8	19 June	20 June Tafe Student <b>Emergency Practice</b> Governing Council Meeting 6.30pm	21 June Playgroup No-Kindy today	22 June <b>Emergency Practice</b>	23 June	
9	26 June <i>Visit to the Reception Class</i>	27 June Tafe Student	28 June	29 June <i>Visit to the Reception Class</i>	30 June	
10	3 July Faith Work Experience Students	4 July Tafe Student	5 July No Playgroup No-Kindy today	6 July	7 July <b>End of Term 2</b>	