



Balnarring Preschool & Infant Welfare Association

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October Committee Newsletter 2020

Presidents Report

Hi families of Balnarring Preschool,

Doesn't it feel like Spring has finally sprung after such a long hard winter. We have the freedom to sit in a cafe and drink a latte with a friend or visit each other at our houses. I am excited to celebrate a birthday at a restaurant and go to a beach outside of my 5km zone. I wonder, if like me and my love for shopping, you have discovered the things you used to love don't give you the same joy that they used to? I certainly have fallen even more in love with getting outside in nature, exploring our beautiful area and riding a bike. What things are you hoping to take away from this time, reinventing what our days look like with the kids?

Fourth term is always a busy time for everyone, in particular the kinder community and the upcoming AGM. We are hoping to have it at the kinder but it will depend on restrictions. We will get as much information to you as soon as possible so you are kept up to date. All committee positions are open and we would really love for you to be a part of the committee. Even if you think you have nothing to offer, this is a lie, and you never know what you are capable of until you try something new. We will also send out the information for positions and applying very soon.

Enjoy your long weekend and the beautiful sun it brings.

Take care

Fiona Fredrickson

President on behalf of the committee

Committee Position Vacant: Grants Officer

The position of Grants Officer remains available within our committee. The Grants Officer secures grant funding to pay for items on the Preschool 'Wish list'. This is important to the Preschool, as it is a way of funding special projects without having to fundraise within the kinder community.

If you are interested in taking up this position for the remainder of 2020, please contact the kinder via email/phone to express your interest.



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Fundraising Report

Just like everything else 2020 really restricted us on what we could do and what families could afford. Thankfully with our continued sponsorship with "IGA" and "Art On The Plate" we have still managed to fundraise a little over \$2000. IGA has started fresh with their community benefit program so be sure to get in there and re-register with Balnarring Kinder.

Boon Wurrung Language

Merrengmoom – Seal

Baraeemal – Emu

Gawarn - Echidna

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 3rd November – Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (no kinder)

Thursday 26th November – Kinder AGM

Friday 27th November – Gareeal and Manameet kinder photo session on site with Derek from Run & Tumble photography.

Monday 30th November – Djeembana and Weelam sessions at 'C reserve' with Derek on location for kinder photos.

October recipe – No Bake Chocy Coconut Balls (gluten/dairy/nut free)

Ingredients

205g gluten free dairy free arrowroot biscuits



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¼ cup dairy free cocoa

1 cup desiccated coconut (plus another ½ cup for rolling them in)

320g sweet condensed coconut milk

Method

Line baking tray & make room for it in the fridge.

Place ½ cup coconut in a bowl.

Separately, crush biscuits and add to a separate mixing bowl. Add cocoa, 1 cup desiccated coconut and condensed milk. Stir until combined.

Spoon and roll to create balls; roll them in the bowl of coconut until covered.

Place on the baking tray and into the fridge for 1 hour, then they are ready to enjoy!

Makes around 20 balls.

[Next committee meeting: Tuesday 10th November 2020](#)



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