



Term 3 Issue 1 **Newsletter** August 2021

Ninna Marni everyone and welcome back for Term 3. We hope that you enjoyed some family time during the school holidays. Once again we find ourselves in a period of uncertainty due to COVID-19. We will continue to update you on any changes as they occur, and we thank you for your continuing support and co-operation.

Staffing update

There have been a few staff changes recently and we have welcomed some new people to our team.

Lu finished work during the holidays so that she can prepare for the birth of her baby.

Erin has joined the Yitpi Tarnanthi team working 4 days a week. Erin was a student in the Karra room during the first half of the year, and we look forward to her continuing her career with us.

In the Kangkulya room there are several new educators:

Natja will be working 5 days per week. Natja is very familiar with our centre as she was here as a student in 2019 & 2020.

Mandeep will be working 4 days per week and **Shazia** will be part-time, working Tuesday's and Thursday's, both in the preschool.

Please say hello and introduce yourself when you see our new team members.

City Lights - Free Family Friendly Event - Illuminate Adelaide

This **FREE** night time **light trail** is part of the new annual winter festival, **Illuminate Adelaide**. There are over 40 **free** installations, projections and immersive experiences as you follow the night time trail through the city. The event runs nightly, 6pm-11pm and finishes on Sunday 8th August. A map of the trail has been emailed along with this newsletter.

Click on the link for more information <https://www.illuminateadelaide.com/events/city-lights>

POLICIES CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW:

- [Delivery and Collection of Children Policy](#)
- [Equipment Policy](#)

If you would like to contribute to the review of these policies, they are available to read on our [website](#) or you can request a copy from the office.

Important Dates

1-8 Aug	City Lights Adelaide
7 Aug	Dad's Playgroup 9:30-11am
17 Aug	Lift the Lip dental visit
19 Aug	Lift the Lip dental visit
25 Aug	Management Committee 6-8pm
28 Aug	Yarn bombing workshop
25 Sept	Community Event



Community Development Co-ordinator

Ninna Marni

Coat Swap

Thankyou to everyone who has donated coats to our 'Coat Swap'. Remember that you can also take one of the coats from the rack for your child. All coats are washed before they are placed on the rack. At the end of winter any remaining will be donated to "Treasure Boxes" a great charity that supports families in need.

Lift the Lip dental visits

The Kindy children are having a visit from SA Dental Health professionals who conduct a quick check of your child's teeth by lifting their top lip and looking at their teeth. They will also provide you with information about SA Dental Health Services clinics in the local area.

Lift the Lip dates:

Tuesday 17th August 9am-9.30am

Thursday 19th August 9am-9.30am

The Kindy teachers will ask you to sign a permission form on these mornings.

Yarn bombing & tree planting

Community Event

Keep the morning of **Saturday 25th September** free. We will be hosting a combined community event including Yarn Bombing & a Play Street in Pateela Street, as well as planting in our Beyond Space.

More information will provided as we get closer to the date.

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July 26-30

Early Learning Matters Week raises awareness of the role of early childhood education and care in children's development and wellbeing in Australia.

High-quality education and care supports young children to learn and thrive, in cooperation with parents, carers and the wider community.

Early Learning Matters Week was first staged in 2018, as part of the *Early Learning: Everyone Benefits* campaign, supported by a coalition of more than 20 early childhood service providers, peak bodies and research and advocacy groups.

Initially, the primary purpose of Early Learning Matters Week was to better inform political decision-makers - across the party spectrum and across the nation - about the benefits of early learning. Now, we have expanded our horizons to include families and communities in Early Learning Matters Week, in recognition of the role early learning services play in supporting families and building our society.

Parents and carers:

You are your child's first teacher. Your child learns from you every day. You work with educators to support your child's learning on the journey to school.

Go to the website:

<https://www.earlylearningmatters.org.au/>

Child Car Restraints

A parent at the centre recently observed children being picked up from the centre & put in cars without a booster seat and suggested that we send out some information in the newsletter. Please read the information and ensure that everyone who comes to collect your child has the correct type and size car seat for your child. Children are our most vulnerable road users.

To keep children safe on our roads Kidsafe SA recommends the following for transporting children in vehicles:

- Children as passengers in a vehicle should be seated in the most appropriate child car restraint for their age and size.
- Buckle up every child on every trip.
- Ensure you use a correctly fitted child car restraint most appropriate for your child's age and size.
- All child car restraints must meet the Australian Standards AS/NZS 1754.
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions when using your child car restraint.
- If you are using a second hand child car restraint, ensure you know the history of the restraint and that it is less than 10 years of age and has not been involved in a car accident.
- Child car restraints must be installed in the second row of seats in a vehicle. For further information please contact Kidsafe SA.
- Ensure your child has exceeded the maximum size limits of the restraint before progressing them to the next stage

WHICH RESTRAINT DO I USE FOR MY CHILD?

0 - 6 MONTHS OF AGE:

Must use a rearward facing restraint that is properly fitted to the vehicle and adjusted to fit the child's body correctly.

Must not travel in the front seat of a vehicle that has a back row or rows of seats.

Best Practice Recommendations

Keep your baby in a rearward-facing child car restraint until they have reached the maximum size limits.

Why? Infants have relatively large heads and weak necks which put them at particularly high risk of serious injuries. Rear facing restraints provide the required head and neck support that a child needs.



6 MONTHS - 4 YEARS

Use either a rearward facing restraint OR a forward facing child restraint with an inbuilt harness that is properly fitted to the vehicle and adjusted to fit the child's body correctly. Children should not travel in the front seat of a vehicle that has a back row or rows of seats.

Best Practice Recommendations

Keep your child in a forward facing child restraint with an inbuilt harness until the child reaches the maximum size limit of the restraint before progressing to the next stage.



4 - 7 YEARS

Use either a forward facing child restraint with inbuilt harness OR a booster seat with a properly fastened and adjusted seatbelt. Children should not travel in the front seat of a vehicle that has a back row or rows of seats unless all the other back seats are occupied by children who are also under 7 years of age.

Best Practice Recommendations

Keep your child in a child car restraint until they reach the maximum size limit of the restraint.



For more information visit the Kidsafe website <https://kidsafesa.com.au/child-car-restraints/>