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Camp Australia Brookside P9 College, Caroline Springs OSHC – July Newsletter

Welcome OSHC Families,

Can you believe we are already halfway through 2023! The children have settled in well and we have been having lots of wonderful fun adventures together.

What's been Happening

To begin our month we celebrated reconciliation week, with an indigenous dot painting competition, and even dot painted some wonderful jars for the children to take home.

This month at Camp Australia, we have been focusing on positive mindsets, including emotions and how to regulate them. We have also discussed how we can turn negatives into positives, and ways we can be kind to one another. We learned all about affirmations and how they can make us feel and took a few minutes out of our day to think of the positives. We believe it's just important to discuss the good things as much as bad.

The craft table was big hit this month with children enjoying the interactive crafts, placemats and group posters provided to them. We created a group indigenous thumbprint collage the week prior surrounding National Sorry day which was extended throughout NAIDOC week. We were very surprised and overjoyed to know how many children understood and were aware of the meaning/ importance surrounding this week. We learned about Indigenous Symbols that are still used in Indigenous communities throughout Australia.

Big Art Week

Big Art was created to inspire, engage and encourage children to express their thoughts and feelings through a creative outlet. This year there are 2 awesome categories to enter; Artist – for those that want to convey their message through visuals and Expressionist – for our writers to express art through words. There are so many great prizes to grab and there will be **4 major winners and 40 runners up** will get their hands on amazing prizes from Riot Art & Craft so that they can continue their creative journey no matter where they are! **Prize pool valued at a total of \$3,000!**

Big Art week provided the platform to the children to harness their imagination and showcase their creative talents and the children will be asked to create an artwork that answers the question on following themes:

“Be Yourself; everyone else is already taken.”- Oscar Wilde

“Everything you can imagine is real.”- Pablo Picasso

“You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have.” – Maya Angelou

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What's Coming Up?

Upcoming weeks, we will be focusing our programming on broad themes of Gross Motor Skills and Let's Cook which will provide the range of activities for the children to explore. Few of the highlighted activities will be Duck Duck Goose, Musical Statues and Bobs, Capture the Flag, Obstacle Course and Minutes to win it for the theme -gross motor Skills and cooking Mini Pizzas, Pancakes and Playdough Making for the theme Let's Cook. These themes have been selected based on day-to-day observations on children's interest and through child profile mapping educators have done in the past two weeks.

We will continue following our CA Way Cycle of planning to provide the program encouraging My Time Our Place – School Age Care Framework Outcomes with more profile mapping and observations in the following weeks.

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Emergency Drills:

Our service provides an environment which is committed for the safety and wellbeing of the children at all times. All children and Educators will be aware of, and practiced in, emergency and evacuation procedures. A risk assessment will be conducted by Educators and Management annually to review and refine emergency procedures.

Emergency evacuation procedures and floor plan will be clearly displayed in a prominent position near the main entrance and exit of each room used by the Service. Educators, including relief Staff, will be informed of the procedure and any specific duties.

Children and Educators will practice the different emergency procedure like emergency evacuation, lockdown, medical emergency every time and practice them every ninety days in both Before and After school care sessions. All Emergency Drills will be recorded with date, time and length of time it took to leave building. Additional comments on recommendations for improvements can also be included in the record.

Friendly Reminders:

Children Enrolments: Kindly update your child enrolment form with required important information (Phone numbers, address, authorised contact details, medical information etc.).

Pupil Free Day: Brookside P9 College OSHC will be operating Care program on the upcoming Pupil Free Day (Friday 11th August) from 6:30am to 6:30pm.

For any queries, kindly reach out at 0434422302 or email us at carolinebr@oshccampastralia.com.au

Regards

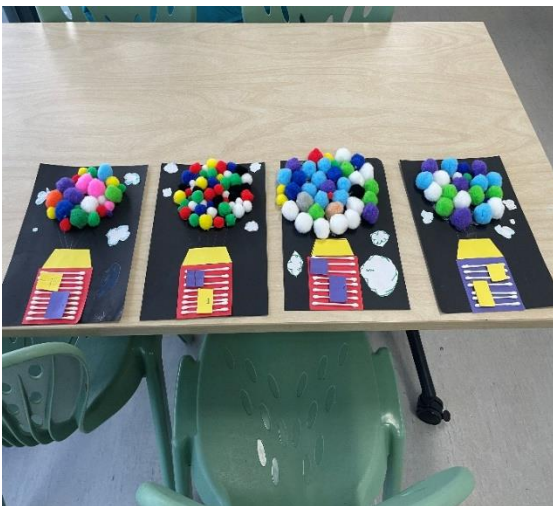
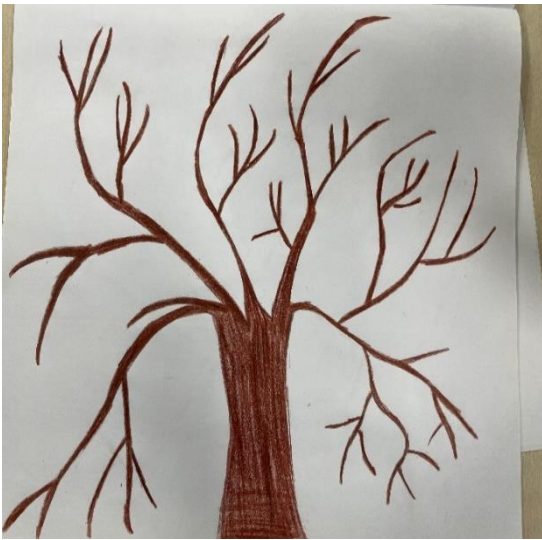
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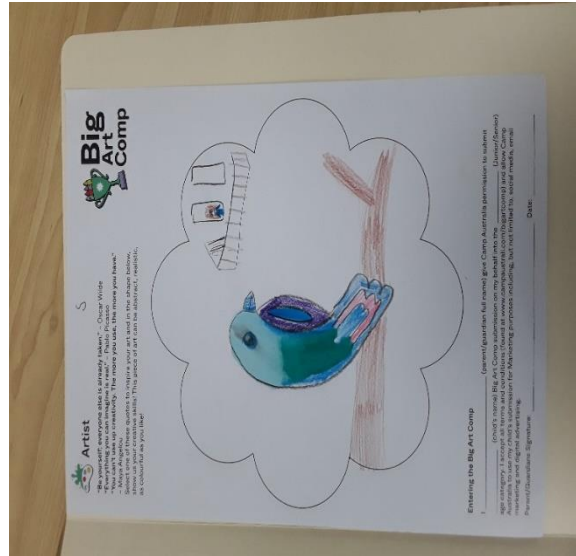
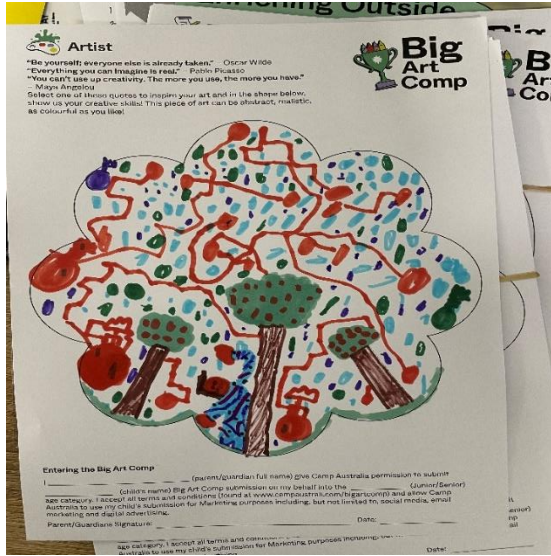
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