

APRIL NEWSLETTER

What's been happening?

Throughout the start of the year we have been working hard to build strong relationships with our children and families so everyone has a sense of belonging within our Birra-Li community. It has been a wonderful start to the year.

Maintaining a strong child safety culture is our number one priority. Many changes are currently occurring within the sector. We are keeping up with the changes through additional training, staff meetings and ongoing critical reflection on our practices and procedures.

- Our new fencing has been installed around the service!
- We have celebrated Waitangi Day, Chinese New Year, Sweetheart/ Valentines day & Anzac Day.
- AWCHWA hospital Incursion (Pre-Kindy & Kindy).

For Chinese New year we had **Mandarin Stars** come and do an incursion at Birra-Li. The children enjoyed this experience so much that we decided to do weekly incursions on Mondays this Semester and will change the day for the second semester. These classes run from babies to Kindy's (alternating each week).

Gecko sport runs on a Tuesday in the Kindy room and **Boogie Woogie** runs on Wednesday mornings.

For more information please see our events book in the foyer.

ANZAC artwork & learning stories!



Save the date!

Birra-Li Christmas Party
& Kindy Graduation
Friday 4th December



Staff updates

Claudia's last day at Birra-Li will be Wednesday the 6th of May. Claudia is currently studying to be a Early Childhood teacher and will be commencing work in a school. We look forward to seeing Claudia for relief over the school holidays.

Maddi will be in the Pre-Kindy Room on Mondays & Tuesdays. Maggie will be in Pre-Kindy on Wednesdays.

Ashlin is off on another adventure for three months & will hopefully be returning to do relief days with us when she returns.

Devaki, has joined our Babies room team, Devaki is a qualified teacher and is really enjoying getting to know all our babies and families.

Joanna will no longer be working with us on a permanent basis as she pursues her career in Social Work. She will however continue with us on a relief basis.

We wish Ashlin, Claudia and Joanna all the best & thank them for their hard work and time at Birra-Li.

Sustainability Corner

Containers for change

Thank you to our families & staff for your support in collections for our containers for change bin. So far we have raised \$180.12 & have saved 1,931 containers from landfill!

Bottle top hill

We have been receiving lots of bottle tops in our collection bin which is amazing to see! Please make sure these are rinsed so they don't get mouldy (as they cannot be recycled if they are). Any lids that are the size of the palm of your hand or bigger can go straight into the recycling bin.

Bottle top hill also accept batteries, old cameras/ phones & pens/ textas.

These monthly events are a great way for children to get involved, gain insight into recycling and a sense of community involvement. Highly recommend going to one!

The events are held at City of Melville EcoHub
555 Leach HWY, Winthrop WA 6150

09 May 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am

13 June 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am

11 July 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am

08 August 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am

12 September 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am

10 October 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am

14 November 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am

12 December 2026 9:00 am - 11:00 am



Reminders:

Fee increase to \$174.00 from the 6th July, 2026. If you need any help working out your new fee transfer amounts please speak to Tamara S.

Please remember to **label** all of your children belongings, especially water bottles, hats, comforters and sleeping bags.

We welcome family feedback! Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns and remember we have a feedback box above the book library.

What's coming up?

- **Mother's Day afternoon Tea**- Friday 8th May at 2.30pm. (Friday Children)
- **100 days of Daycare** - Friday 22nd May
- **Simultaneous story time**- Tuesday 26th May
- **Rainbow dress up day (Kindy choice)**- Friday 20th of June
- **NAIDOC Week**- 5th- 12th of July
- **Pyjama day**- Thursday 23rd of July
- **Ocean week**- 27th- 31st of July (Kindy choice)

A note from Kirsty...

Please check out our QIP board located next to the fish tank and Kindy door in the foyer.

We welcome parent feedback & input.

