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congratulations!

A very big congratulations to Carley, who has been promoted to the role of senior educator and will be stepping into the position in the Balloon Room.

Carley has worked extremely hard in her studies and we are excited to see her take this next step in her career.

Having previously been a team member in the Balloon Room, she is looking forward to working with this age group again.





Farewell Julie

It is with deep sadness that we say goodbye to Julie Hutton on the 6th July.

Julie's outgoing and friendly personality helped to create a pleasant environment to work in and she is and will always be held in high regard by all of her colleagues. Her contributions have been a great benefit to Subicare and, undeniably she will be deeply missed here.

Julie, we wish you the very best of luck with your move down south and the greatest success in all your future endeavours.

This is a great loss for Subicare, but we can only respect her decision and wish her the best. It has been a wonderful opportunity working with a professional, dedicated and a passionate person like her.

Thanks for everything Julie,

Sincerely,

Lindsay and all Subicare staff





SHELL AUSTRALIA EMPLOYEE COMMUNITY GRANT



We are very happy to announce that again Subicare was the recipient of a

Shell Australia Employee Community Grant

The \$500 granted to Subicare ELC has enabled us to make a positive investment towards the future by purchasing new equipment.

The STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) resources purchased for the Rainbow Room, enable children to engage in designing and creating in a woodwork and engineering space. These resources encourage children to investigate mathematical concepts and thinking, engage in scientific inquiry skills and steps and develop engineering skills including problem-solving, creative thinking, attention to detail, communication and leadership skills that are critical for real world participation.

Subicare ELC would like to say a very big thank you to the Stevens family for nominating us for this grant again, we are extremely grateful, thank you Todd, Karinya and Quinten.





CHILD CARE SUBSIDY (CCS) TRANSITION

From the 2nd July the new subsidy will replace the two current child care payments

This transition doesn't happen automatically, families and us as a service had to go through a few obstacles to get this up and running.

We can confirm that 90% of our families have made a smooth transition onto the new system.

Some important points for parents

- The child care subsidy will be paid directly to the service and be passed to families as a fee reduction
- Capped hours were weekly before now work on a fortnightly basis.
This might affect some parents with payments differing from week one to week two.
- Families earning \$186,958 or less will not be subject to a cap amount on the CCS they can access. Families earning over \$186,958 and under \$351,248 will still have an annual cap which will increase to \$10,190 per year per child.
- Child care subsidy withholding – the Australian Government will withhold 5% of the CCS to reduce the likelihood that individuals will incur a debt. This means that the full subsidy amount minus five percent, is paid to us on behalf of yourself following our weekly submission of session reports. The amount withheld will be part of the gap fee that needs to be paid by parents to the service.
- Absences from care – under the CCS families are allowed 42 absences per child, per financial year. These 42 allowable absences can be taken for any reason, including public holidays and when children are sick etc. and the family will still receive CCS.

Feel free to chat to admin staff if you have any further queries.

The Australian Government - Department of Education & Training also have some really good information:

<https://www.education.gov.au/new-child-care-package-information-resources-families>





**Lindsay is currently on annual leave, returning on Monday the 16th of July.
Please see a member of the management team if you have any queries during this time.**



Just a quick reminder for all,

please ensure that the front gate is closed behind you when you enter and exit the premises, to assist us with ensuring the safety of everyone!



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