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OUR TEAM

Welcome Chef Lisa!

We would love to introduce our new chef Miss Lisa. Lisa has been in the childcare industry for over 4 years, cooking delicious and nutritious food for the little ones.

She started working at the centre in July and it was love at first sight. We are very happy to have her in our CPELC family.

Follow her Instagram page 'the hungry mumma' for ideas of healthy food for children



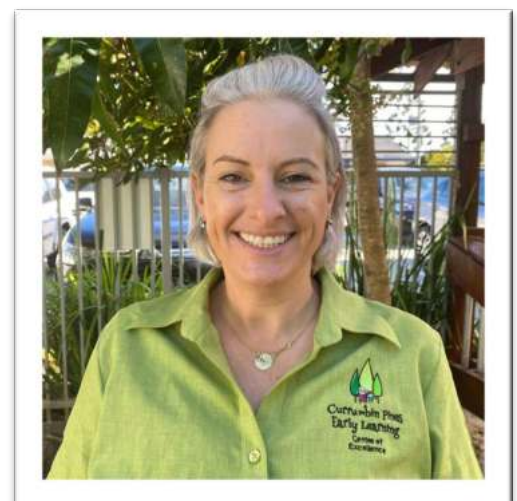
Welcome Miss Sarah!

Hi there, my name is Sarah, and I am very excited to be joining the Currumbin Pines Early Learning Centre team. Having been working as an Early childhood teacher at TSS for the last two years.

I am 45 years old and have been working with children since I was 17, I hold a Diploma in Early Years Education & am an International Montessori preschool teacher. Originally from London myself and family moved to Sydney 14 years ago where I worked in a Reggio Emilia influenced centre in Clovelly, this is where my passion grew further in this holistic approach of early years exploration.

I became enriched in nature play and forest school. I will endeavour to allow each child in my care opportunities to use their unique strengths, interests, creativity, imagination and discoveries to drive their learning journey. This aligns beautifully with the CPELC philosophy.

I am looking forward to getting to know you and your children and becoming part of the CPELC community.



BUSH KINDY



We are very proud to provide to all children the opportunity to participate in our Bush Kindy programme, increasing their connection with Nature, developing their physical and emotional wellbeing as well as encouraging them to become socially responsible and show respect for the environment.

To ensure we are following best practices in our programme we are constantly reviewing

our Bush Kindy policy, reflecting and improving our procedures.

What's new?

- bush kindy programme is discussed with children during group times in our routine to increase their awareness about how it works.
- Children and teachers must wear long sleeve rashies, reef shoes, sunscreen and hats.
- Teachers are responsible to check for hazards 5 minutes prior to bush kindy and bush kindy checklist must be completed
- Tapes and floaters display the boundary areas and children stay within the playground area only
- 'No pick no lick' strategy is applied to ensure children are not putting any natural resource in their mouths
- No child or teacher are exposed to bush kindy without relevant practices



BOOK WEEK



The theme for book week this year was 'Old Worlds, New Worlds and Other Worlds' and we had a whole week of dressing up with lots of book stories.

Following up with the theme children could explore dinosaurs, the galaxy, fairies and unicorns.

It was a very fun week and we loved to see how much effort was put into it. Children and educators were looking really good dressing up as their favorite characters and it was a very fun way to provide more literacy to the children, increasing their language and imagination.



CENTRE'S BIRTHDAY



In July we celebrated our Centre's 4th year with a PJ day, yummy cake, disco party and a surprise Magic show!

Wow! What an amazing journey it has been!

We are super thankful to all of our families for trusting us.

We are very proud of our team for always going above and beyond and have wonderful relationships with our children and families. We feel honored to be part of our children's life journey and for supporting their learning every day. We feel very connected to our mission to work together to build a safe, respectful and nurturing environment focused on maximizing each child's sense of wellbeing and acquisition of skills for life and learning. Happy birthday to CPELC!



FATHER'S DAY



To celebrate our wonderful dad's we welcomed them with a delicious breakfast. It was really nice to see most of the father's doing the drop off and enjoying some delicious coffee and muffins with their children. We also had a beautiful photo wall with pictures of the children with their dad's. Thank you all for the wonderful morning we had.

DITTO SHOW

On Friday 10th of September (National White Balloon Day) Pelicans and Turtles children experienced Brave Hearts personal safety educational programme 'Ditto's keep safe adventure show'.

It was a 20 minute performance including songs, dance and easy to remember messages about personal safety.

Children had fun while learning about:

- Differentiating 'yes' and 'no' feelings;
- Recognising the bodies 'warning signs';
- Identifying 'private parts' and 'privacy';
- Reinforcing that there is no secret that children cannot tell someone;
- What to do if you feel unsafe or unsure.



STAFF TRAINING

Our staff are constantly updating their curriculum by getting involved in training and courses to extend their knowledge and confidence.

In the last couple of months all our educators dedicated their time to participate in the Child Protection Training provided by Brave Hearts, During the course they discussed about definitions and indicators of child abuse and how to manage, respond and report any concern as well as strategies of how to empower kids with personal safety skills.

We are proud to say that our educators ensure that all children under our care are safe and protected from risks.



ANNUAL PLAN

Date	Next events	Time
27th of September - 1st of October	Centre Swell exhibition	All week
4th October—Public Holiday	Queen’s birthday	Centre closed
26th October	Grandparents morning tea	To be announced
29th October	Halloween—Dress up day	All day
8th—12th November	National Recycling Week	All week
10th December	Kindy Graduation	To be announced
27th December—3rd January	Centre Closed	All week