FUNHOUSE NEWS

Dates to remember in April

April Fools Day - 1st April Day Light Savings Ends - 2nd April Good Friday - 7th April **(CENTRE CLOSED)** Easter Saturday - 8th April Easter Sunday - 9th April Easter Monday - 10th April **(CENTRE CLOSED)** Earth Day - 22nd April Anzac Day - 25th April **(CENTRE CLOSED)**

School Car Park Reminder

Families can park in the school: <u>Before</u> 8am and <u>After</u> 4:30pm

We ask that families do not park in the principle or vice principle spaces.

Other parking options include: On Gilham Street | At Castle Towers

Our Opening Hours & Closure Days

Before School Care: 7:00am-9:00am

After School Care:

3:00pm-6:30pm <u>Vacation Care:</u> 7:00am-6:30pm

<u>School Development Days:</u> 7:00am-6:30pm

<u>We are closed during:</u>

National Public Holidays







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We Love Your Feedback

During term we try our best to embed cultural diversity through out our Cooking Club. If any Families or Carers have family recipes they would like to share or see in our program, please feel free to share them with us so we can ensure all children feel valued and included.

As some of you may already know, we are working behind the scenes to create a sustainability club. This club will educate children on gardening herbs, vegetables and seasonal fruits. The children will also learn what it means to protect our wild life and their enviroment. We aim to ensure all children understand the meaning of recycling, correct usage of our bins and saving water. If you and your family have any ideas or suggestions on how we can perfect our club when implementing it into our program please don't hesitate to reach out.

You can email us at edleader@castlehillfunhouse.com.au if you have any feedback you would like to give us on our program or any other areas.

We appreciate it when you have your say!

FUNHOUSE NEWS Our Management Committee Team

Our AGM meeting is scheduled for 1st May 2023 - <u>MORE INFORMATION TO COME</u> As a non-for-profit organisation, Castle Hill Funhouse Has a management committee comprised of families who currently use our service. The committee decides on matters of policy and meets once a month to make other major decisions about Castle Hill Funhouse. If you would like to get involved, please contact our Management via email:

management@castlehillfunhouse.com.au

The Team

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Special Events Term 2

22 April Earth Day Invest in our planet
1-7 May International Composting Awareness Week
18 May Outdoor Classroom Day
19 May Walk Safely to School Day
20 May World Bee Day
22 May International Day for Biological Diversity
27 May - 3 June National Reconciliation Week, Be a
Voice for Generations
5 June World Environment Day
8 June World Oceans Day
2-9 July NAIDOC Week For Our Elders



ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Non-notification fees / Process

If your child/ren will not be attending their booked session it is a requirement you inform us of their absence prior to the session. You can inform Funhouse of an absence by: o Marking your child absent on the Xplor home app o Emailing info@castlehillfunhouse.com.au

In the event Castle Hill Funhouse is not notified of a child's absence before **2pm** for an after-school care booking and **8:30am** for a beforeschool care booking, a \$25.00 non-notification fee is applied to our families' account, in addition to the session fee.

Vacation care & non-notification fees Vacation care bookings closed on Friday the 24th of March.

During vacation care non-notification fees STILL apply, the time requirements are dependent on the day and are as follows:

In-center days – 12:30pm Workshop and excursion days – 7:30am

Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

If you believe you are eligible for CCS please check your statements to ensure you are receiving this. If you are not, please email info@castlehillfunhouse.com.au and we will follow it up. Please note if a child does not attend for a certain time period Centrelink will CEASE their CCS meaning you will need to apply via emailing info@castlehillfunhouse.com.au and approve the enrolment and CWA again.

CCS needs to be approved via the parents Centrelink account as well as signing the CWA via email or the Xplor home app.

(It is parent's responsibility to ensure they request CCS be applied to their child's enrolment again if it has been ceased)

OUR SUSTAINABILITY CLUB

CLUB <u>We have started!!!</u> The children are very excited and are all getting involved in creating a beautiful and clear space for our new garden. We plan to plant and grow our very own herbs, veggies and flowers which the children will get to use not only in cooking club but also afternoon tea time! While we will all enjoy getting hands on with gardening, the sustainability club will also provide education for the children on how to keep our environment safe and clean, the many "layers" that exist within our environment, and the relationship between all the flora and fauna that exist within. We aim to start a return and earn program, that the children will then get to use specifically for their sustainability projects, for which they have grand plans! We would love if you could bring in any recyclable bottles, or any other recyclable goods that we may be able to repurpose/reuse on our sustainability journey!





elevate. AUTISM specialty coffee AWARENESS DAY FUNDRAISER



On the 31st of March, Funhouse Educators came together to create our very own café to help raise money for Autism Awareness day. We baked delicious sweets and teamed up with a Seven Hills local café called Elevate Specialty Coffee, who donated coffee and cups. We also had one of our team members father who was kind enough and allowed us to use his coffee machine. All thanks to our lovely parents, teachers, children and educators, we were able to raise **\$600!!!!!** We were able to donate these funds to Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect) who is Australia's largest autism-specific service provider, with one of the biggest autism-specific school programs in the



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

VANILLA MUFFINS

Ingredients

2 cups Flour Baking Powder 1 tsp Baking soda 1 tsp 1 cup Brown Sugar 1 cup Rice milk 1 tbs Vanilla 1 cup Nuttelex

Method

Preheat oven to 180 degrees. Mixed the flour, baking powder, baking soda and sugar into a bowl and stir until well mixed.

In the other bowl, whisk together the list amounts of wet ingredients: nuttelex, vanilla, rice milk. Make a well in the dry ingredients of one bowl and pour the wet ingredients of one bowl and pour the wet ingredients into the middle of the well. Spoon an equal amount of batter into each prepared muffins cup. Bake for 25-30 minutes.

