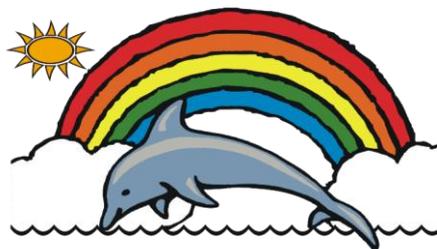


# Berkeley Vale Pre-school Kindergarten Inc

“Your Community Pre-school”

26 Kareelah Ave  
Berkeley Vale NSW



Phone: 4388 4481

Fax: 4388 4149

“Living, Learning and Growing”

ABN 77 641 023 678

Email: [admin@bvalepreschool.org.au](mailto:admin@bvalepreschool.org.au)

---

## **March 2020 Newsletter**

Dear Parents and Families,

I would like to begin by thanking all the parents who are making a supreme effort to pack healthy lunch boxes each day, minus the excess packaging and waste. It is fantastic to see, and we are clearly reducing the amount of waste in our environment.

### **Morning tea**

Please remember we need fresh fruit and/or veggie sticks to be packed for morning tea. In addition, you are welcome to pack another kind of snack from our Healthy Food Policy. A special mention is made for young children eating grapes. At times grapes can be very large and therefore are considered a choking hazard to young children. As a result, parents are encouraged to cut grapes in half for eating, whilst at pre-school.



### **Annual General Meeting**

Our pre-school’s Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March and will commence at 3:30pm to 4:15pm, held in the Dolphin Room. All parents are very welcome to attend. The current Management Committee Members will step down from their respective roles, and the following positions are up for nomination:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Fundraising Committee members and
- General members

Our Management Committee meetings are very relaxed and informal. As parents, you bring a wealth of expertise to our service that supports the efficient management of the pre-school. If you would like further information about any of these roles, please see Emma or Colleen in the office.

### **Collection of children by 3pm**

Can I provide a very clear reminder to parents that children must be collected and off our premises by 3pm. We encourage parents to come prior to 3pm so that we have time to discuss your child's day. Our relationships and conversations with parents are an important part of our job. However, after 3pm, educators have other responsibilities they must be attending too. We appreciate your co-operation in this regard. If you have someone else collecting your child, please ensure they are aware of our pre-school's policy in relation to collection by 3pm.

### **Authority to Collect your child**

May I also remind everyone, that if you have someone other than yourself collecting your child, we **must** be informed by parents themselves. This can be achieved by face to face communication, in the morning, an email or hand-written letter. We are frequently being placed in difficult situations where someone on the "Authority to Collect" form arrives to collect a child, and we have not been informed that this is occurring. Many parents have provided us written communication outlining their various pick up arrangements and this is extremely helpful and greatly appreciated.

### **Developmental Goal Sheets**

All parents have been issued with goals sheets to complete for their children. We ask that these are returned as soon as possible so that we can begin setting goals for future planning and learning outcomes. We thank you in advance and appreciate working in partnership with our parents.

### **What's Coming Up?**

- **Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March – 3:30pm – Annual General Meeting**
- **Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> March & Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April– StEPS Vision Screening**
- **Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> April – last day of term**
- **Easter holiday break**
- **Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> April – pre-school opens for children**

Please remember that no question is ever a silly one and our team members are always available to assist you.

Kind regards,

Colleen Templeton and the Berkeley Vale Pre-school team