Bike Maintenance Program
Creaney ESC has always enjoyed a good relationship with Duncraig SHS ESC. This year we have managed to extend this relationship further by tapping in to the DESC students who are learning Bike Maintenance. As part of their learning program they have agreed to visit CESC several times a term to check and repair our bikes. This is a wonderful service and we are very grateful for their support. As you can see from the photos, many of our students are intrigued by the work of the ‘big boys’.

Ned and Zac would clearly love to be getting in there to help!

Lara is content to watch from a safer distance.

Important Dates
Wednesday 18th March, 8:45am - Parent Network Meeting
Monday 30th March – 7pm School Council Meeting
Thursday 2nd April – Last Day of Term 1
Tuesday 21st April – Students’ first day of Term 2
Lots of Very Hungry Caterpillars
The students in Room 1 have been doing lots of wonderful activities centred around Eric Carle’s story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. It is wonderful to see the theme incorporated into so many different learning areas.

Arriving at School
Parents are reminded that we are not able to offer adequate supervision of students until 8:30 am. Staff that are present before this time have preparation responsibilities and communication meetings to attend. If you do arrive at school early, please remain with your child until rostered staff commence playground and classroom duty at 8:30 am.

McCreaney
Don’t forget that Room 3 operate a McCreaney program every Monday. All ESC students are able to order a sausage sizzle from them. Simply send in $2 and indicate whether your child likes sauce or not. The program provides practice in a range of independence skills for the Room 3 students as they collect the orders, count the money, cook and serve the sausages and then deliver them to the appropriate classroom.

Special Needs Dance Classes
Ella’s family has shared this lovely photo of Ella at her Dance Concert last year. Bronte (Ella’s mum) is full of praise for the classes. As I know many parents are often looking for similar activities for their children we are sending home a flyer with details of these classes in case anyone is interested.
Pet Shop in C2
The students in C2 have been learning all about pets this term. Much of their learning has focused on the theme and they have set up a mini Pet Shop in their classroom. It is lovely to see the students role playing in the shop as they practise their language and maths skills. They have also looked after a couple of class pets and hosted a visit from Ms Andrew’s dog ‘Angel’. Angel’s visit was a real highlight, particularly as she was accompanied by Ms Andrew’s mother. The concept of teachers having parents is always hugely fascinating for children!

Jada checks her change very carefully after buying a dog from Jasmine’s pet shop.

Although some of the students were a little apprehensive at first, by the end of the visit they were all happy to pat and brush Angel.

Pamper Party
It looked like a pamper party was happening in C1 when I visited one afternoon this week. The students were investigating different relaxation methods.

Christian looks like he was really enjoying his hand massage while Chloe relaxed with a foot spa.
Modelling is a very important strategy that we use to demonstrate new skills. It seems like Karin Green is using that technique to encourage dress-up play with some of the EI students. (Either that or her choice of dress is becoming bizarre.)

Liam, Griff, Oscar and William get into the spirit of things. They have all done a great job of matching their outfits and accessories.

Sunflower Sunday
Join Therapy Focus at Lake Monger Reserve on Sunday 29th March from 11am till 2pm for their annual family fun day. There will be lots of free entertainment and activities for all abilities. Register your attendance by Friday 20th March and receive a $5 food token to use on the sausage sizzle and salad stand. For more information visit www.therapyfocus.org.au/sunflowersunday

Bike Doctor
The City of Joondalup is celebrating Bike Week by holding free bike checks. No registrations are needed. Just go to Tom Simpson Park, Mullaloo, on Sunday 15 March from 8:00am till 12:00 noon. Bike checks will include a condition assessment, minor servicing and bike advice.

Kind Regards,

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