

HAWTHORN ST.

EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

Newsletter – June 2025

As we welcome the winter chill, we're also embracing opportunities to connect, explore and play in the great outdoors! This month, we're excited to invite all our families to join us for a **Park Playdate on Saturday, June 21st at 10:00am**. We'll be gathering at **Victoria Park Playground (near the pool)** for a fun-filled morning of friendship, laughter, and community spirit.

Our park playdates are a wonderful chance for families to engage with their children's educators in a relaxed setting, meet other families, and watch the children thrive in new environments. Whether it's sharing a swing, chasing bubbles, or enjoying a quiet moment on a picnic rug, there's something for everyone.

We hope to see you there – don't forget your hats, warm jackets, and a big smile!

Your Feedback is Essential: We greatly appreciate your feedback and suggestions, as they help us continually improve. We also love the family feedback and photos shared on our Facebook page, showcasing your weekend adventures. This input enhances our ability to enrich the learning experiences of our children.

With passion, purpose, and a commitment to continuous improvement, our team remains focused on creating meaningful learning experiences and positive outcomes for every child. We're excited for the journey ahead and look forward to sharing another enriching and rewarding term with you all.

Kind regards,
Claire Hayward
Nominated Supervisor
Hawthorn Street Early Learning Centre



Upcoming Events and Reminders

Save the Dates

Park play dates: Connect & Enjoy!

10am at Victoria Park (near swimming pool)

Saturday 21st June & Saturday 20th September

Portfolio nights: Tuesday 1st July & Tuesday 23rd September,

Children's Christmas Party: Friday 28th November

Preschool Graduation: Thursday 4th December

Public Holiday Reminder!

Just a friendly reminder that at Hawthorn Street Early Learning Centre, we are only closed on Public Holidays.

Kings Birthday Monday **9 June** & Labour Day
Monday **6 October**.

Celebrating Our Cultural Diversity

At our Hawthorn Street Early Learning Centre, we have been learning about the many different cultures that make up our wonderful community. From traditional songs and dances to stories, food, and festivals, the children have been exploring how people live, celebrate, and connect all around the world.

We feel incredibly fortunate to have such a rich tapestry of cultures and beliefs represented within both our team and the families who attend our centre. This diversity helps create a warm, inclusive environment where everyone feels valued, respected, and celebrated for who they are.



By sharing our backgrounds and traditions, we're helping children develop empathy, understanding, and a strong sense of belonging. Thank you to all the families and educators who continue to share their cultures with us – it truly enriches our learning community.

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At our centre, we're continuing to practice and reinforce good hygiene:

- Regular handwashing with soap and water
- Covering coughs and sneezes with elbows or tissues
- Cleaning toys and high-touch surfaces frequently
- Encouraging rest, hydration, and healthy eating



💡 **Tips for Families at Home**

Ensure children are getting enough sleep and staying warm

Pack a labelled jumper and beanie each day

Keep up with vaccinations and regular check-ups

Encourage water over sugary drinks to support hydration

Together, we can create a safe and healthy environment for all our little learners to thrive — even in the chilliest months!

Keeping Our Children Healthy This Winter

As the cooler months settle in, it's important we work together to keep our centre healthy and safe for all children, families, and educators. Winter often brings an increase in colds, flu, and other bugs, so here are a few gentle reminders to help protect our community:

👤 **When to Keep Your Child at Home**

To help minimise the spread of germs, we kindly ask families to keep children at home if they have:

- A fever, cough, sore throat, or runny nose
- Vomiting or diarrhoea (must stay home for at least 24 hours after the last episode)
- Unexplained rashes or red, irritated eyes
- General signs of being unwell (e.g. unusually tired, irritable, or not themselves)
- If you're unsure, feel free to give us a call — we're always happy to help guide you.
- Healthy Habits We're Teaching

