Dear Families

It’s NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK!!
This year’s focus is the science of light. We have a number of experiments and playing with light investigations for children to participate in at Preschool in recognition of this exciting week. An idea for home is to use a water spray bottle and hold it to the sun and spray on the mist setting. Children will be able to make their own rainbows. The science behind this is about teaching children that white light is actually the combination of all colours. These are drawn out when reflected on water droplets against the background of sunlight.

Quality Improvement Plan update – Week 6
Focus is Quality Area 5: Relationships with children. The focus here is on building and maintaining respectful and equitable relationships with each child and supporting them to build relationships with other children and educators. A key area we have identified to work on is supporting children in their peer relationships, especially where there are periods of disagreement or a clash of wills. Often this can also be an issue at home with sibling rivalry. We have attached an information sheet on this subject for your information. We welcome all family contributions and suggestions as to how we can continue to deliver a high level of Early Years Education and Care. Any ideas of areas you would like us to continue to improve in are very welcome. Please talk to Lyndal or Andrea or add feedback to your home-school journals for us to follow up on.

Dates for your Diary
- Transition to School Program – Parent forum
  Tuesday 18th August, 3.15pm – 4.00pm at Preschool
- Safety with Pets and Children – Parents information session
  Friday 21st August 2.00pm – 2.50pm Central School Infants Meeting Room
- SCIENCE WEEK – 15th – 21st August – Join us at Preschool over the week for play with the science of light!
- Thursday 10th September 3.30pm – 4.30pm Supporting Maths and Science Learning for our Preschool children – Parent workshop facilitated by Macquarie University Researchers

We wish you all a fantastic weekend.

Lyndal and Andrea