What to wear to CELC

Just a reminder for families on what children should wear. Educators and children will wear sun safe clothing that covers as much of the skin (especially the shoulders, back and stomach) as possible. This includes wearing:

- Loose fitting shirts and dresses with sleeves and collars or covered neckline.
- Longer style skirts, shorts and trousers.
- Children who are not wearing sun safe clothing can be provided with spare clothing.

*(Please note: Midriff, crop or singlet tops do not provide enough sun protection and therefore are not recommended)*.

CELC requires safe footwear, it is important for activities such as climbing and running.

For the safety of children CELC requires that children DO NOT WEAR THONGS, SLIPPERS, or CROCS due to possible hazards.

CELC Fee Policy Change Effective from Start of 2014 School Year

Following the recent changes to NSW Government funding for preschools, the CELC Fee Policy has been reviewed with changes effective from the start of 2014.

A copy of the revised Fee Policy is available for perusal at the CELC. In summary, the major changes are:

- Fees for Terms 1, 2 and 3 are payable in full before the last working day of week 4 of the respective school term.
- Fees for Term 4 are payable in full before the last working day of week 2 of term 4. Payments by instalments are generally not available unless the family can demonstrate genuine financial need and approved arrangements are in place well before the due date for payment. Please note the due date for fee payments applying from the start of 2014.

Licensed Hours

CELC St Michael's is open Monday to Friday 8:30 to 3:30pm. Children and families are not to enter the CELC premises until 8:30am. The CELC clock is set by the National Time register ph.: 1194. Our operation hours are not set by individual wristwatches, and or mobile phones. When the access control starts on Monday 28th October, Families will be denied entry to CELC until 8:30am.

CELC Closure Period

CELC St Michael’s will be closed from Friday 20th December 2013, and will reopen Wednesday 29th January 2014.

We wish all families a happy and safe holiday, and look forward to an exciting adventurous 2014 on your return.
Introducing Mr Enrico.
We have a male educator joining our CELC St Michael's team. Mr Enrico will take on a Certificate III traineeship with CELC from the beginning of the year. He has started a university qualification for primary education and is taking a break from study to get some valuable experience working with children. He has some experience working with children 5 – 12 years as a martial arts instructor, and has a certified first aid qualification. It is with great excitement he has accepted the traineeship and is looking forward to meeting you all in 2014.

Is your child’s hat sun safe?
A sun safe hat is a:
- Legionnaire hat;
- Bucket hat with a deep crown and brim size of at least 5cm (adults 6cm);
- Broad brimmed hat with a brim size of at least 6cm (adults 7.5cm).

PLEASE NOTE: Baseball caps or visors do not provide enough sun protection and therefore are not recommended.

Please Note: Children without a sun safe hat will be asked to play in an area protected from the sun (e.g. under shade, or on verandah areas).

CELC Sun Hat Fundraiser.
In Term 1 of 2014 all families are encouraged to participate in our CELC sun safe hat fundraiser.
The hats will be either a legionnaire or a bucket hat style, with our logo embossed on the top. Choice is up to you.
Children will not be able to play outdoors without a sun safe hat as stated in our sun protection policy.
I encourage you to participate fully in this fundraiser. All resources are purchased for the CELC from funds raised.

Christmas Party -Narranginy Reserve Wren Picnic Area
We are going to try something a little different this year for our Christmas celebration. This year we are going to Narranginy Reserve Doonside to the Wren Picnic area. 4pm to 7pm. There is a water play zone to keep the children cool. The water will be turned off at 6pm, at which time we will gather together and sing some carols and give our CELC friends a small Christmas present.
Miss Catherine will leave a trail of CELC St Michael’s balloons along the road side to help you navigate your way to the Wren picnic area.

Congratulations Miss Pinar
It is with great joy and happiness that we announce that Miss Pinar’s family will be growing by 2 tiny feet in 2014. That’s right...Miss Pinar is pregnant. The blushing mum to be is very happy, and is happy that she can finally spread the good news.

New Enrolment Form
All families will be required to complete a new enrolment form for 2014.
The revised enrolment form includes many new authorisation, required under NSW Education and Care Regulations. It also gives families an opportunity to update all of their personal details.

We have a new parent handbook for 2014.
A copy of the enrolment form and the revised parent handbook will be available on our webpage.

New Immunisation Requirements
From January 2014 there are new immunisation requirements for children’s service’s
All families are required to provide documentation to prove that their child is fully vaccinated for their age.
For more information please visit www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation
NSW Health Save the date to vaccinate reminder phone app includes printables, immunisation information and free reminder
www.immunisation.health.nsw.gov.au

Graduation Mass
Thankyou for making our Graduation a huge success. Lots of our families and children were able to join in the celebration of our Graduates. We received lots of positive feedback about the celebration.
A big thankyou to Father Peter Confeggi for attending and blessing our Graduates.

Children’s Portfolio’s
As we have reached the end of year, our teachers are sending home the children’s learning portfolio on USB.
For our Graduates, these are yours to keep.
For all returning children and families – the USB must be returned so that we can continue to contribute to their learning journey.
Please copy and paste files to your computer and return the USB to the CELC.
Any lost USB’s will incur a charge of $10. The cost of purchasing a new storage devise.