

Date: Friday 6 April

## This week at preschool...



### A great morning at the Easter Hat Parade

Last Thursday was the whole school Easter Hat Parade. There was much excitement as we put on our hats and headed over to the big school, where lots of our parents had gathered as well as the whole school and their families. Our Preschool children waited patiently to parade with the Year 6 helpers and all the Educators were very proud of them.

We were all very surprised that the Easter Bunny had time to be at our Hat Parade as well. The Infants children sang him some songs – many parents recognised the adapted Abba tunes – and we all clapped and enjoyed as well.

We were all surprised again when we returned to Preschool and saw that Easter Bunny had hopped through and left us some Easter eggs! It also made the day so special when many parents and grandparents joined us for hot cross buns for morning tea.



The café interest developed further this week. 'The T Café' was open for business. Customers had to book a table and get a ticket and wait patiently for their reservation time. The customers could choose from this week's special menu: tea (honey & vanilla flavour), toast with vegemite, honey or warm buttered toast.

The chefs cooked the toast to perfection, but then customers had to spread their own butter and condiment. Wait staff served the cups of tea in the fine bone china – as would be expected in this fine dining establishment! The kitchen staff discovered that burnt toast was not as acceptable for our valuable customers ☺

The smell of the toast enticed many customers to the T Café who were all keen to partake of the 'real food'. **Louis R** kept asking, "Why is it real food today?" and even as children saw customers eat the toast, were asking them, "Is that real food?" The closed sign had to go up later in the day when the toaster stopped working – the two final customers were a bit concerned, but Calum suggested, "Let's just have the bread with everything and not worry about the toast." This ensured all the customers were very satisfied with their visit to the **T Café**.

*This learning experience was a joy for the Educators as well as the children. So many aspects of children's learning were involved: social play, verbal communication, fine motor skills, responsibilities, using money, just to name a few. Most of the EYLF Learning Outcomes are involved in this play experience.. The EYLF Practice, **Responsiveness to Children** means we, as Educators, value and build on children's strengths, skills and knowledge, to ensure their engagement in learning.*