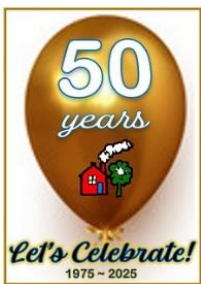


# August

## 2025 NEWSLETTER

### Important Dates...

- **Seniors visit** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup>  
Aug from 10:30-11:30am.
- **Seniors visit** - Tues 26<sup>th</sup>  
Aug from 10:30-11:30am.
- **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Sept** - 50<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday celebration  
10am to 1pm
- **School photos** - Tues 23<sup>rd</sup>  
& Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Sept from  
8:30am
- **Term 3 ends** - Friday 26<sup>th</sup>  
**September.** *Term 4 starts*  
*Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Oct.*
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> & Friday 31<sup>st</sup>  
October – **Steps Vision**  
**Screening** from 9:30am



**August 2025**

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## Celebrating 50 years of **SPRINGWOOD PRESCHOOL**



**Join us for a special anniversary celebration!**  
Saturday 6th September  
10am to 1pm  
9 Macquarie Road, Springwood

Come along and celebrate 5 decades of Springwood Preschool. We'd love to see everyone there!

Follow our **50<sup>th</sup> Birthday** page on Facebook and Instagram for exciting updates and photos of preschool over the decades!

# Our commitment to child safety at preschool:

Dear Families,

In light of the recent media coverage surrounding child safety concerns at some childcare centres across Australia, we wanted to take a moment to reassure you of the strong and consistent child-safe practices we have embedded here at Springwood Preschool.

These practices are not new or reactive—they are long-standing and deeply integrated into our daily operations. It is this commitment to child safety and wellbeing that has consistently seen Springwood Preschool as a High Quality Preschool within our Community for almost 50 years.

We remain dedicated to providing a safe, nurturing, and high-quality learning environment for every child in our care. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our child-safe policies, please don't hesitate to reach out

## Our Commitment to Child Safety

At Springwood Preschool, the safety and wellbeing of every child is at the heart of everything we do. We are proud to uphold the highest standards in child safety and protection, and we want to share with you the steps we take to ensure a secure and nurturing environment for all children in our care.

## Ongoing Training and Professional Development

Our team participates in annual refresher training focused on child safety standards and best practices. This ensures that every staff member remains up to date with the latest guidelines and is

fully equipped to respond appropriately and confidently in any situation.

## Dedicated Child Protection Officers

We have appointed trained Child Protection Officers within our team. These individuals provide on-site support and lead regular training sessions to reinforce our safety culture and practices across the centre.

## Mandatory Reporting and Accountability

As mandatory reporters, our educators take their responsibilities seriously. We approach this role with diligence and integrity, ensuring that every team member understands their obligations and is supported in fulfilling them.

## Embedding Safety from the Start

Child safety is not just a policy—it's a core value. From the moment a new team member joins us, clear procedures and expectations are communicated. These are reinforced annually through staff contracts and ongoing professional development.

## Why It Matters

We place the highest priority on child safety because your children's care, wellbeing, and development are our ultimate goals. By fostering a culture of vigilance, respect, and proactive care, we create a space where children can thrive.

Thank you for trusting us with your children. Together, we can ensure a safe, joyful, and enriching early learning experience.







# Help Us Build Our Community Library Today!

**AS PART OF OUR 50 YEAR CELEBRATION THE  
KATOOMBA MEN'S SHED HAVE BUILT A COMMUNITY  
LIBRARY FOR OUR PRESCHOOL**

We invite families to  
donate the first new  
books to add to our  
library. Our 50 year  
celebration labels  
will be placed in  
each book to  
acknowledge your  
families  
contribution.



# Return & Earn Fundraising for our 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Help us raise funds for the preschool as it celebrates it's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday through a return & earn depot near you. Simply follow the steps shown below; return your cans or bottles and instantly donate to our 50<sup>th</sup> birthday fundraiser. We hope to see lots of families on the 6<sup>th</sup> September to celebrate 50 years of Springwood Preschool!!



**Donate your 10-cent refund at your local machine in 3 easy steps**



Search 'Springwood Preschool 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday' using the Return and Earn app.





## Please keep drop off and pick up to a minimum to keep our carpark moving

Our carpark is a small, busy space during drop offs and pick up. We ask families to minimise their time at preschool in the morning and afternoon to keep traffic flowing and ensuring car spaces for other families.

If you need time to have a longer chat to your child's educators please let us know and we can arrange a time to meet.

We'd appreciate it if you could share this message with any family or friends who drop your child to preschool or pick them up. Thank you

## Please keep home toys at home

Please discourage your child from bringing toys from home to preschool. It can be distressing for children if their toys get lost, broken or other children use them. Thank you

## *Farewell Kayla*

*The end of Term 2 was also the final week of Kayla's traineeship at preschool. We are excited to see what Kayla goes onto achieve in the next stage of her life. We hope Kayla enjoyed her time at Preschool and we wish her well. We know the children will miss her too!*



## *Thank you to Seb's Dad for our new bridge*



Thank you for building a lovely little garden bridge that brings joy and wonder to our preschoolers' world. Your thoughtful craftsmanship makes their play safer and beautifully connected to nature.



## **Policies currently under review.....**

### **Access, Anti-Bias & Inclusion Policy**

- No changes, just reviewing to comply with regulations  
<https://springwoodpreschool.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Access-Anti-Bias-Inclusion-Policy-2023.pdf>

### **Illness and Exclusion Policy**

- No changes, just reviewing to comply with regulations  
<http://springwoodpreschool.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/The-Administration-of-First-Aid-2023-.pdf>

### **Medication Policy**

- No changes, just reviewing to comply with regulations  
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