





The Island Kindy News We have been having a great time!

Thanks to the input of Tash and Nic from **Inspired EC** (<u>http://www.inspiredec.com</u>.) we have been exploring nature based play.

As a service we aim to **nurture** our children with **loving care** and to create opportunities for **play based learning** within our natural environment.

We are creating **the Island Kindy website** to communicate our practice and activities. We will examine the benefit of risk, teaching mixed age groups, and the advantages of nature based play. Many thanks to Sabrina Antoniou for all her work on this.

Kimberley is stepping up as our **Nominated Supervisor**. We are delighted that she has accepted this promotion. She will continue to spend the majority of her time on the floor caring for and educating our children.

We have a new **Education Leader** - Heather Bennett. She has a degree in Early Childhood Education has had eight years experience as a Director in Early Childcare Services. She now works as a tutor for the award wining training and consultancy organisation ECTARC. She has been involved with the service one and off as she is the tutor for our trainees.

New Management Committee Chair - Robyn Laughton-Smith. Robyn is a senior social worker at Mona Vale hospital and mother to Jack and Eamon. She brings her considerable experience and energy to this important role.

Opening Mondays from 19th September

Long day care will be open 8am till 6pm on Mondays. We can also open After School Care - please book in.

Before school care? Longer Day Care Hours? If you need before school care or earlier/later hours for long Day Care? We are now licensed for extended hours. Please call 0431 125 142.

Parents & Community BBQ - Let's get together! Friday from 6pm - 30/9 BYO food & drinks