



LEAD Childcare Goondiwindi

January Newsletter

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS THIS MONTH

- January 1st – New Year's Day
- January 26th – Australia Day

Please Note: the centre will be closed on the above mentioned public holidays.

WHATS IN THIS EDITION

- Welcome note from your centre manager
- What's been happening in your rooms
- This month's birthdays
- This month's celebrations
- Important events of next month

This month's promotion!

No Enrolment Fee PLUS 2 weeks free for all new families!

For all families who enrol in the month of January, there will be **no \$50 enrolment fee AND** they will also receive **two weeks of free care**, once they have been attending the centre for six weeks and your account is up-to-date!

HURRY! Limited spaces available!

Terms and conditions apply. Please see your centre manager for more details.

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Happy New Year and Welcome from Lauren!

Happy New Year to all my families!

I hope everyone had a very Happy and safe Christmas spent eating yummy food, and laughing lots.

I am excited for 2019 and what it holds for us at LEAD Goondiwindi.

We will continue our relationships with Kaloma, the local schools, playgroup in the park, Care Goondiwindi, the Library and PCYC.

I would like to welcome all our new families who start care with us and farewell our beautiful kindy children who start their exciting school journey! I can't wait to see photos of them all in their uniforms with bags on backs ready to go.

From January 1st, parents no longer send Late Snacks. Our Centre provided late Snack will be available for all children each day around 4:30. If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to see me.

Our First parent Meeting for 2019 will be held at the centre on Wednesday January 30th at 5pm, all are welcome to attend.

Please remember we are a Sun Smart centre, send your child in sun smart clothing with a hat each day. Our Sunscreen station in the foyer is for all children to apply sunscreen upon arrival each day. Educators will reapply every 2 hours.

Until next Month,
Miss Lauren

LEAD Goondiwindi Educators

Nursery

Miss Claudia

Miss Hannah

Toddlers

Miss Lisa

Miss Kayla

Miss Leah

Junior Kindy

Miss Bella

Miss Deb

Miss Tiff

Miss Zoe

Pre Kindy

Miss Pia

Miss Harriet

Miss Shoniqua

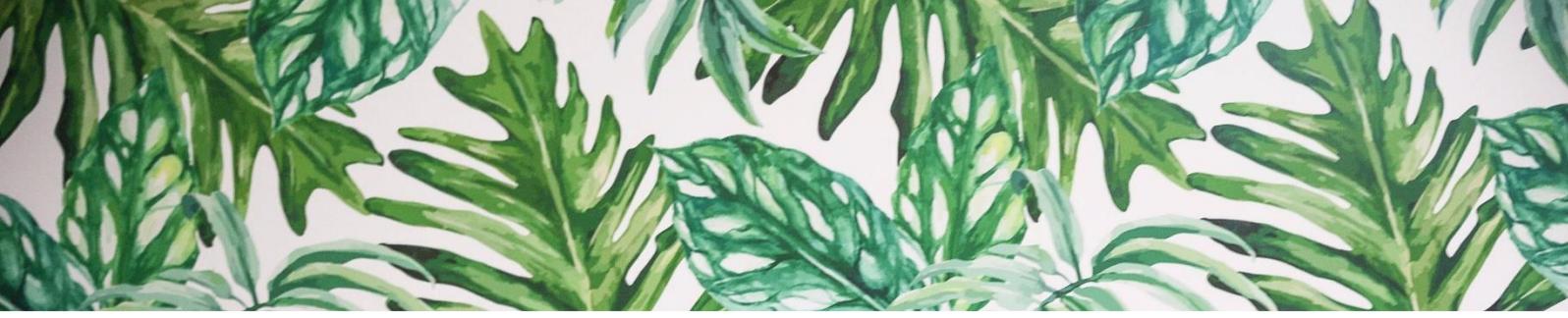
Kindergarten

Miss Britt

Miss Jan

Schoolies

Miss Crystal



For the month of January, we are focusing on

Quality Area 1

Quality Area 1 focuses on Educational Program and Practice.

This Month Educators will be discussing how we can make our daily routines and experience more child focused.

We will also discuss our current planning cycle for children's learning and development, and work with Miss Tiff who is our Educational Leader on improving these cycles.

HAVE YOUR SAY!

Come along to our Parent Meeting this month to discuss anything you might like to know more about when it comes to our Program.

Do you know your child's folio is available in their room for you to read through at any time?

Do you know what the EYLF is?



What's happening in the

Nursery

Happy New Year and welcome from the Nursery room!

Hi my name is Claudia Silcock, I am the Senior Educator for the Nursery room for 2019. This will be my second year as Senior Educator in the Nursery this year, I have my cert 3 and am currently studying my Diploma in Early Childhood. I have loved watching and being a part of helping your babies learn and grow and look forward to meeting all of the new families and babies.

Happy 2019 everybody!

My name is Hannah Rhodes, and I have the pleasure of working alongside Miss Claudia in Nursery for 2019.

I joined Miss Claudia in nursery in September 2018, we shared ideas and worked well together as a team. Previous to working at LEAD I was nannying for a year. I am passionate about my job and I love working with children.

I look forward to a great year making memories 😊

all the best,

Miss Hannah

What do I bring in my bag?

A few things to bring in your child's bag are some spare clothes, a hat for outside play, a water bottle and any comforters that your child would like to bring. Please make sure these along with bottles are all clearly labelled with your child's name on them.



Toddler Time

Happy New Year and welcome from the toddler room!

Hi Toddler Families,

WOW, how time flies when you are having fun!

The Toddlers have been busy finishing off their context of learning for the Month. We were able to explore the animals in our world today and how they impact our future. The Toddlers now understand what animals produce our everyday nutritional requirements. We learnt most of our information through traditional Nursery Rhymes and knowledge gained from our Families.

As we moved to the end of December we began our Christmas crafts which the children thoroughly enjoyed. We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

As the New Year is upon us we will explore a new Context of learning throughout our rooms. We are very excited to see where this will take us.

We will be saying Goodbye to Miss Zoe as she is moving in to the Junior Kindy room and we will Welcome Miss Kayla in to the Toddlers room on a full time basis. If you have any questions or concerns, please see Miss Leah, Miss Kayla or myself, we are more than happy to answer any of these queries.

The Toddlers Team!



Junior Kindy

Happy New Year and welcome from the junior kindy room!

Happy festive Season to all of the Junior Kindy Families,

We have been very busy in the last month with finishing off our context of Learning. The children now have a better understanding of under the sea animals and how they impact our oceans and why they are so special.

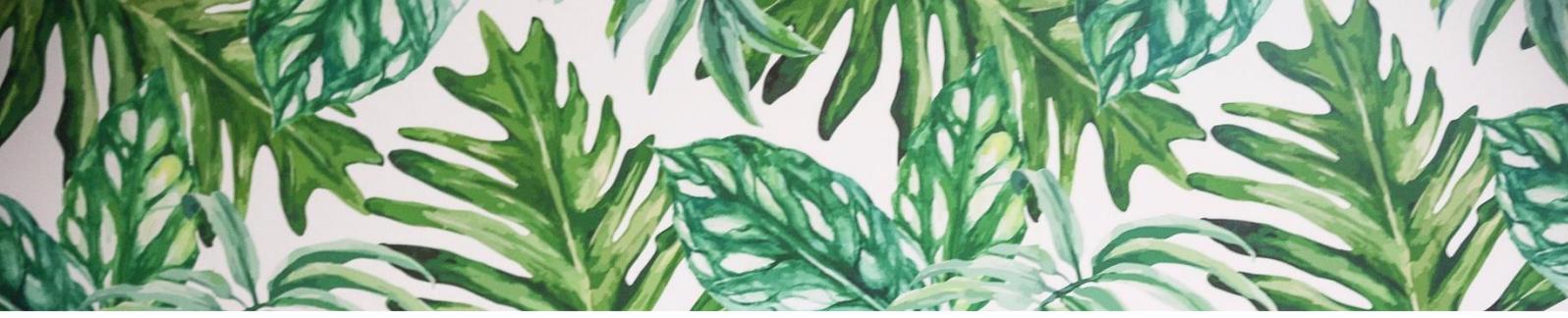
We have moved on to making our Christmas gifts and getting our scrapbooks ready to send home with each child, the children have loved helping Miss Deb get all of their art work together to put into the books.

We are looking forwards to starting off the New Year but will be sad to see our 3 year olds move up to Pre Kindy with Miss Pia and Miss Harriet. We welcome some children from the Toddlers room to the Junior Kindy room with Miss Bella, Miss Deb, Miss Tiff and Miss Zoe.

We look forward to having a great 2019 with you all!

Miss Bella, Miss Deb and Miss Harriet

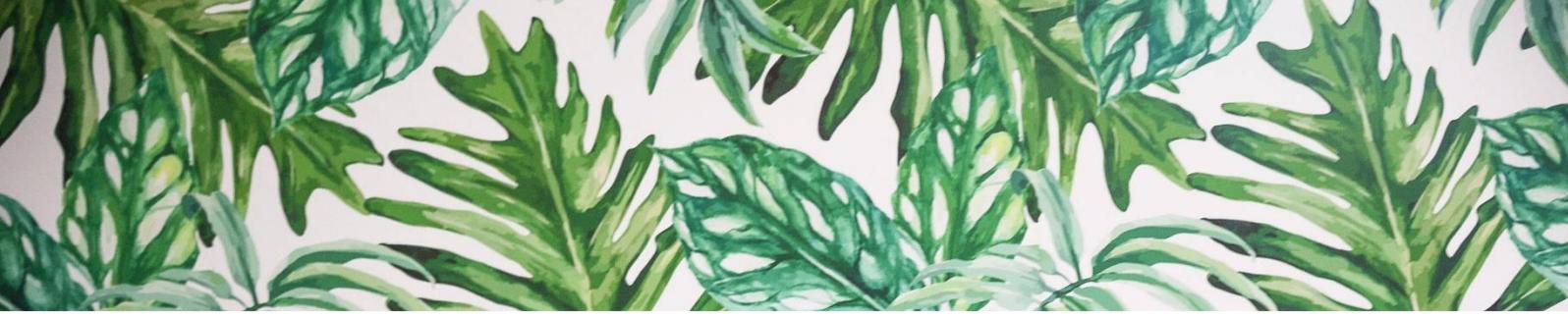




Pre Kindy

Welcome to 2019 in the Pre Kindy room, I will be the Senior Educator with Harriet and Shoniqua as my assisting Educators. Our focus will be building partnerships with you and your child in our new environment so they feel safe, secure and have a sense of belonging, establishing a routine and encouraging your child to acknowledge and express their emotions. Our room has been designed to encourage self-help skills, explore, and create while learning through play. To help us get to know your children please fill out "the about me" I have created and to send through some photos of you and your family, over the Christmas break to put up on our wall. Looking forward to what 2019 brings, hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's. Kind regards Pia

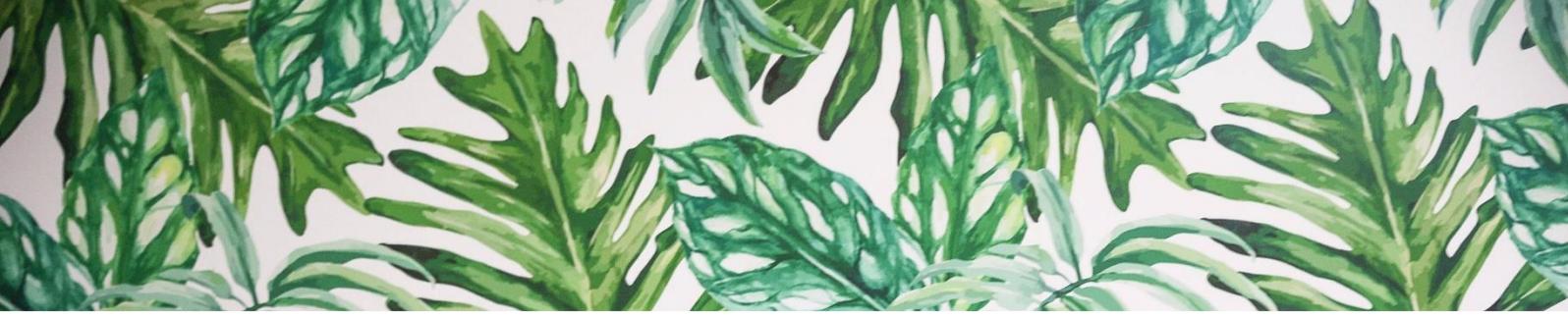




Kindergarten

Welcome to 2019. We hope you have had a lovely Christmas filled with joy and laughter and a nice relaxing break. We welcome Miss Jan with open arms into the Kindergarten room for 2019. This month we will have our final children depart us to go to prep in late January and we will welcome all the Pre kindy children that will transition into our room. Transitions will be an ongoing thing throughout January. We support your children throughout this time to make it run as smooth as possible. If you have any questions or concerns please feel to come see. This month we will be focussing on settling into the room and becoming secure within their new environment with their new educators.

From Miss Britt and Miss Jan



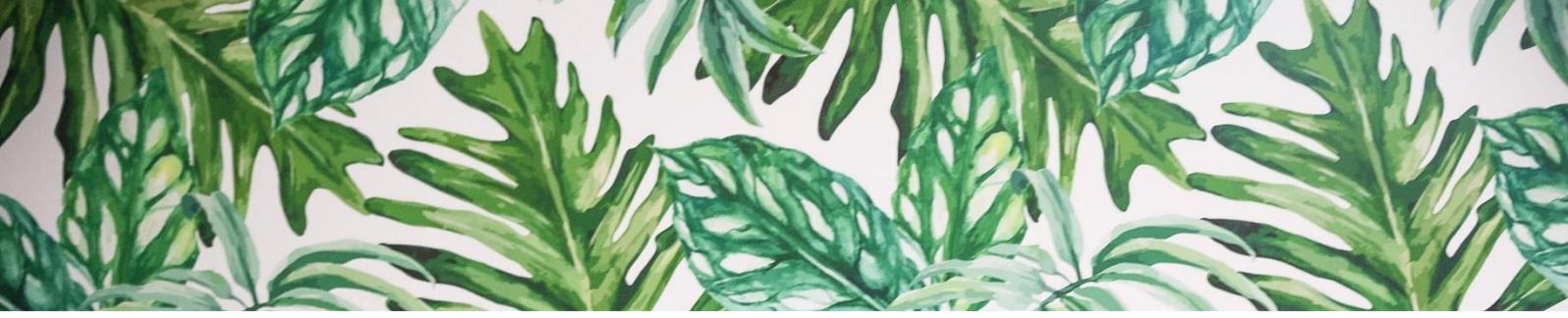
Schoolies

Happy New Year and welcome from the schoolies room!

As most of you would have noticed our new building out the front is almost ready to open for the Schoolies. Staff have been super busy building flat packs and setting up new Resources for this space.

Excursion permission forms for this room will go out in the next week so we are all ready to open the doors and get in the new room.

Parents will still need to sign children in and out at the kiosk in my office but family pockets will hang on the Schoolies building out the front.



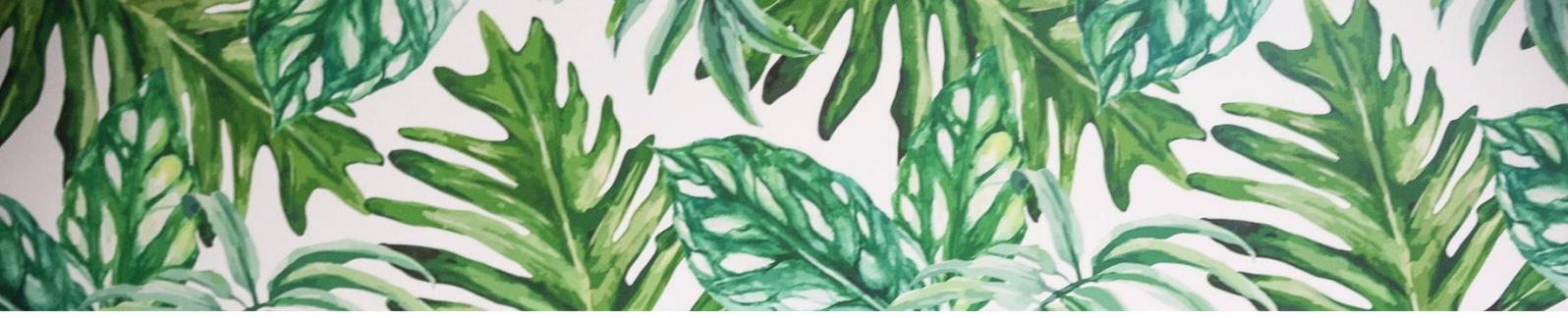
Sustainability

Sustainability at Goondiwindi

We would love the following items from home if any of you have them to donate please- Cardboard boxes, newspapers, bottle lids, corks, cds, and ribbons.

These items can be made into all sorts of amazing things by the children in the centre. Just a reminder, please NO EGG CARTONS.

Thank you



Craft Corner

How to make your own DIY Kitty Planters

What you will need:

- Paper (for cat ears stencil)
- Plastic soda bottles (labels removed)
- Scissors
- Dry marker
- Spray paint
- Paint markers (black and white)
- Plants or herbs

Instructions:

Sketch cat ears stencil out on paper and cut it out.

Place the stencil on the soda bottle and trace with a marker.

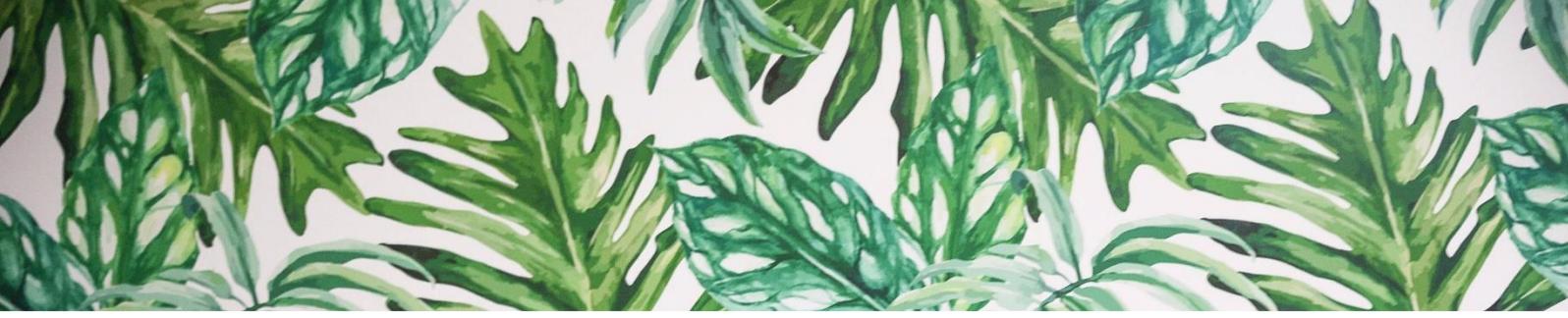
Cut the soda bottle along the marker lines.

Spray the bottle with 2 - 3 coats of spray paint.

Allow to dry.

Draw a cat face on the front of the bottle with the paint markers and let dry.

Place the plants inside.



Recipes of the Month

Rainbow jellies

This recipe for rainbow jelly is a simple idea that the kids can help with and they will love being involved in the colour selection. By all means go ahead and use the full range of colours and flavours for the full rainbow! Great for birthday parties!

- packet of Aeroplane raspberry razzle jelly
- 1 packet of Aeroplane orange orbit jelly
- 1 packet of Aeroplane pineapple jelly
- Prepare yellow jelly and pour into a large glass bowl. Refrigerate until set (will take about 4-6 hours). Prepare orange jelly, allow to cool and pour gently on top of yellow jelly, return to fridge until set. Prepare red jelly, allow to cool and pour on top of orange jelly, return to fridge until set.
- This is a simple idea that the kids can help with (but not with the hot water part!) and they will love being involved in the colour selection. By all means go ahead and use the full range of Aeroplane colours and flavours for the full rainbow!
- Vary this recipe by stirring in some colour coordinated fruit into the layers as you go or make individual serves – ¼ cup of each flavour per layer.

Easy spaghetti bake

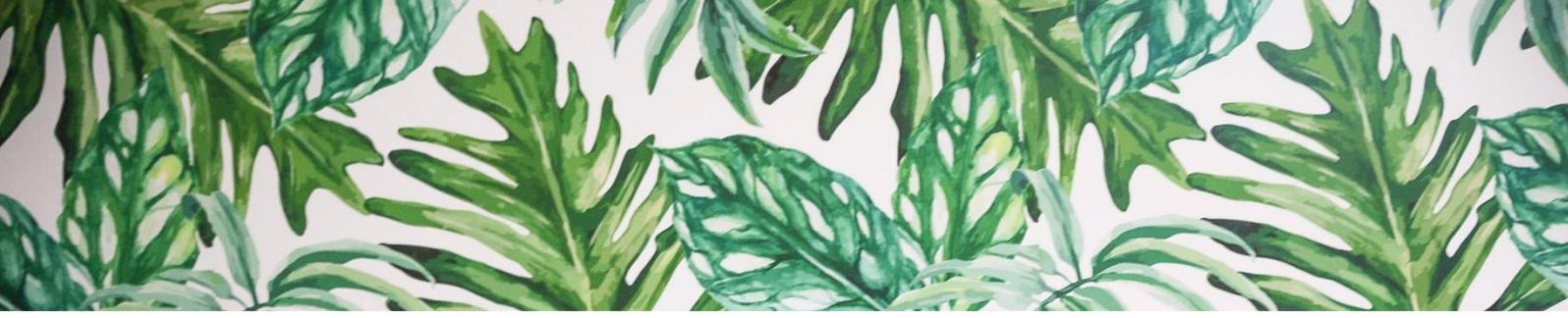
For a different take on mince, try this easy spaghetti bake. This recipe uses mince, spaghetti, and a tomato sauce to make a yummy bolognaise oven bake that your kids will just adore. Even better, if you're short on time, just mix in last night's spag bol with the spaghetti and bake. Too easy.

- cups spaghetti (cooked, drained)
 - 450 g beef mince
 - 2 tbs Worcestershire sauce
 - 2 tbs brown sugar
 - 1 cup passata
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 1 tsp white vinegar
- 1/2 cups parmesan cheese (grated)
- 1/2 cup cheese (grated)
- pinch salt pinch pepper
- Preheat oven to 180°C.

In a large frypan cook ground beef until done, and drain.

In a large greased casserole dish, stir together meat and spaghetti lightly.

Heat remaining ingredients thoroughly in a small saucepan and pour over spaghetti mixture. Mix through parmesan cheese, then scatter the grated cheese over the top. Bake for 45 minutes to 1 hour.



Happy Birthday

January

Jake S 13th

Hazel F 5th

Tyler 28th

Grace C 2nd

Rocky 13th

Dustin 28th

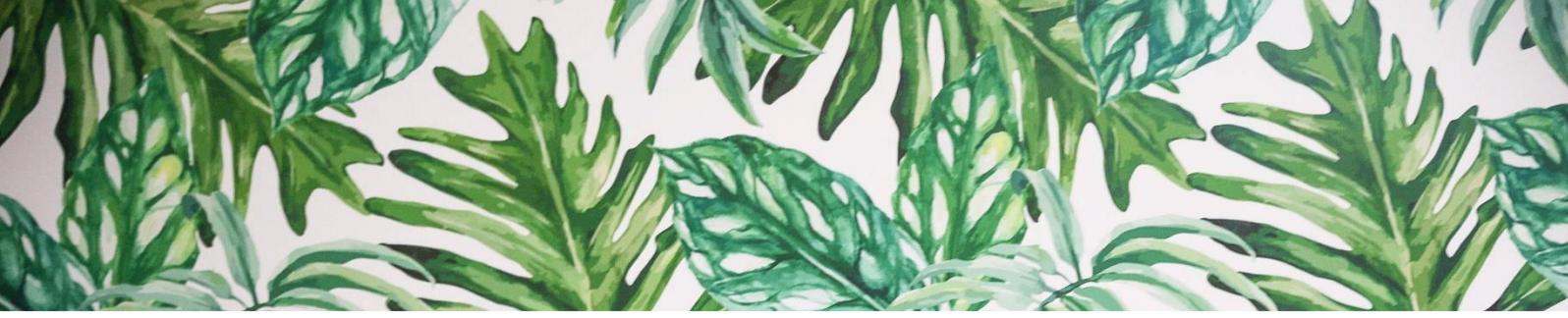
Akbia 12th

Miss Melissa 3rd

Miss Tiff 4th

*"All your hopes and dreams can come true if you have the
courage to pursue them"*

-Walt Disney



February Events

Mayalie 13th

Rokket 20th

Elsie 17th

Willow 21st

Archie S 11th

Marcus 4th

Harrison 1st

Whyatt 6th

DO YOU HAVE A SMALL BUSINESS?

YOU CAN ADVERTISE HERE!

We are continuously striving towards supporting and promoting our local and small businesses. If you are a local or small business operator and would like the opportunity to feature in our monthly newsletter, please send a small digital advertisement for your business through to the centre's email address and look out for your ad in the next issue!