



Kuranda Kindy Capers

The kids at the Kuranda Community Kindergarten have had an eventful month!

Lantern Parade: Everyone was busy preparing for our annual Lantern Parade, where we celebrate the Winter solstice and the coming of the warmer weather! All of the children helped out with making the beautiful lanterns using wax and paints. Thanks to everyone who helped out with making the lanterns and collecting milk bottles. Special thanks go to the Kuranda Coffee Republic and the Coffee Kitchen for keeping their milk bottles for us! Thanks also to Hartley's Crocodile Adventures. The parade was a huge success with the children making their way with their lanterns around the oval next to the Kindy.

Vacation Care: The Kindy offers Vacation Care during school holidays for children aged 3 to 8. Pick and choose your days. Each day is filled with fun, games, stories, cooking and creative activities. Daily costs are \$30 for a 2.30 pm pick-up and \$50 for a 5.30 pm pick-up (CCB can still be claimed, although the Government only offers 85% for school aged children.) Call us on 07 4093 8087 for more information about this school holiday program or to sign up for later in the year.

Kindy Enrolments & After School Homework Club: Spots are still available either for set days or casually. Call Tamara on 07 4093 8087 to secure your place.

Kindy Kids Giant Jumble Sale: The Kindy will be holding its inaugural *Kindy Kids Giant Jumble Sale* on Saturday 14 July in front of St. Saviours Anglican Church. It will be cheap and cheerful with a bargain for everyone! We are looking for donations of clean kids clothes, toys, books, cakes, arts and crafts and anything else you might have that we could sell. Please drop all donations off to the Kindy, off Barron Falls Road. We are also looking for volunteers to help out at the stall on the day, so please let us know if you can help.

The Kuranda Community Kindergarten Management Committee

Photo Caption: (Clockwise from top left) Kindy kids, Emalina, Eden, Hunter and Ethanuel show off some of the lovely lanterns for our Lantern Parade.



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GROW Project growing

Our latest Grow project planting at Warril Creek was well attended with 30 or so members, children and neighbours joining in on a cool morning to plant approx. 400 trees. These trees were sponsored through our GROW project initiative, where private individuals sponsor trees in memory of loved ones, as a living gift for those who don't need more "things", to support wildlife habitat restoration and offset carbon. Despite the chill, the planters warmed to the task and it was all done in an hour. Very well done! Here's a few snaps at the site



Gary, Belinda, Bella, our youngest planter



Ian Sporre, daughter and friend



Urma and Judy, our oldest planter



The last few plants



One year old trees in foreground, 3 year old behind group

A brisk walk through previous plantings from 1 to 3 years old was followed by an informative talk by environmental scientist Joe Rhodes, who designed the Tolga stormwater retention structures on the Kennedy Highway and Bones Road corner. Check it out next time you're passing through Tolga. Joe spoke passionately about the principles behind the power of rainfall, how we have changed the landscape and accelerated soil erosion and our need to manage stormwater by essentially slowing the water down, mimicking the natural pre-cleared landscape rainfall management, allowing for ground water recharge and reducing the power of the water to erode. New regulations out last year from FNQROC mean developments must now manage the stormwater runoff directly on site with the aim of reducing soil erosion and sediment travel to the reef.

General Meeting - Wed 6th July 7pm

Come along and join the discussion on coming years planting areas and possible research projects

WHERE: KURANDA RECREATION CENTRE, FALLON ROAD, KURANDA FOLLOWED BY SUPPER

SATURDAY MORNINGS - Mulching and Maintenance

Sites around Warril Creek.

Contact Margaret on 4093 8989 for site directions.

Winter start 8am - 9.30am, Followed by morning tea

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