Family Day Care Vacancies for 2017
Looking for a relaxed, caring home environment for your 3 - 5 year old?
My Steiner influenced Family Day Care is a friendly place where children are encouraged to explore, grow and learn through play in a small group. In this peaceful environment friendships are made and nurtured.
I have a place on Monday and Tuesday and two places on Wednesday open for 2017 and the CCB rebate applies. If you would like to join us please contact Amanda 47 82 4182.

OPAL Cards for 2017
Most students or parents/guardians won't need to apply for the School Opal card if they currently hold a 2016 School Travel Pass. The School Opal card will be sent to a student’s school automatically at the beginning of the new school year in 2017.
However, a new application is required if:
the student is just starting school or has not had a pass for travel
the student is progressing from Year 2 to 3, or Year 6 to 7.
You will also need to reapply if the student needs to be able to travel to multiple home addresses, if your details have changed, for example
changing schools (other than moving from Years 2 to 3 or Years 6 to 7),
your address or your name, then complete this application form to update your details.  https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/howToApply

Friends and families gathered at Kindlehill on Friday and Saturday last week to experience Romeo and Juliet, performed by class 7-8, Produced and Directed by Georgia Adamson and Rowley Holmes.
It was wonderful to see the students grasp the emotion behind the complex lines, and that the younger children in the audience understood the story completely. The blend of simple yet striking costumes, graceful choreography, mixed with interludes of ukulele, drums, flute and vocals, made the performance dynamic and enthralling from beginning to end.
Each student embraced their role with ease and confidence. The audience, although familiar with the storyline, held their breath in anticipation for the dramatic ending.
ENCORE class 7-8!!! Your hard work was evident. You are simply brilliant.
Calendar Term 4 2016: Monday 10/10 – Fri 9/12

Week 7: Class 3-4 camp to Colo River
Class 5-6 instrumental concerts
Geography on the road 2 weeks 7-8 (18/11 – 21/11)

Week 8: Class 3-4 instrumental concerts
Week 9: Thur 8/12 class 3-4 play
Fri 9/12 Kindy farewell and graduation to 1st class
Sat 10/12 Human Rights Day
Sat 10/12 End of year whole school working bee and social
Sun 11/12 year 10 Graduation

Ikebana Arranging with Class 3-4

The class 3/4 children have spent four weeks learning the long history of Japanese flower arrangement, Ikebana. The origin is traced back to the 6th century. The children have enjoyed identifying the three kinds of beauty within the lines of nature.

The beauty of standing upright, the beauty of lying across, and the beauty of draping down. They have also identified significant differences between the Western arrangement of the flowers and the one of Japan which was displayed in the non-symmetrical representation of Heave, Earth and Human.

After having drawn several diagrams and solved a mystery of how the flowers stand in such a shallow plate (an equipment called Kenzan on the bottom!), they have made their own Kenzan with coloured clay, walked around the school ground then created their unique Ikebana. What a joy to share the experience together!

AROUND THE CLASSES THIS WEEK...

Class 1 & 2 Newnes Camp

The class camp was full of challenges, obstacles, games, bush no. 1 & 2's. and wet clothes. We camped in the beautiful Wollemi National Park, surrounded by a meandering river, bushlands and cliffs.

On Tuesday we met the local character Newnes Hotel owner and walked to the ruins and paddled in the river, settled into camp lifestyle.

On Wednesday, awaking early to the dawn Kookaburra chorus, we splashed through the river, climbed up to an old railway track, traversed a steep and rocky route to the Glow Worm tunnel, entered the dark and dangerous tunnel and emerged safe and excited! The whole walk was 9km (WOW!!) and with lots of breaks and snacks took 6 hours – the children were incredible walkers and very supportive of each other. Best of all we were back with plenty of time to splash and bob in the river. Children were asleep VERY quickly and woke after the morning bird song!

Thursday we decided on just a little adventure; to follow the river upstream – and yes we did get a bit more wet. Back at camp – we celebrated Quidam's birthday, packed up camp and set off back home, wildly weary, full of good tucker and very happy.