

The Joys and Challenges of Parenting

Thursday 27th August at 7pm in the Kindergarten room there will be a talk with Ebba Bodame. Over the course of the evening we will be looking at the gift of childhood-how to guide children through their first years, appropriate approaches to difficult behaviour and skills to help dealing with the bumps of everyday life with children. Topics covered will include: * The gift of boundaries * Children who won't listen * The struggle of trying to be a role model* Rhythm, repetition and rituals * The need for consistency * Sibling rivalry * Family or child centred approaches * Consequences via threat or bribe.

Ebba Bodame has decades of experience on Rudolf Steiner early education. Her talks, workshops, playgroups and training sessions have inspired a generation of parents towards healthy and creative child raising practices that are positive for children and deeply fulfilling for adults.

There will also be a discussion, and to look at any questions you bring along. It is essential to please RSVP: Susan Brophy PH 0414 255 761 or playgroup@kindlehill.nsw.edu.au

Yoga @ Kindlehill

Spring Term 2015

Book now for 10 week course!

Monday 6-7pm \$100 (12 Oct -14 Dec)

Saturday 8.30-10am \$150 (10 Oct - 12 Dec)

Bookings 0419 986 896

Deposit required to secure place

Suitable for beginner to general level students



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Parenting and Homemaking

Join us for a taste of our groups...

- Share ideas, conversation, laughter & learning in warmth, trust & freedom
- Move on your journey while building ongoing community for slow parenting
- Take time and space to reflect on your own process of change for what's important in your family, undisturbed

Simplicity Parenting Workshop

Sat 29 Aug - 2 to 4:30pm or

Tue 1 Sept - 6:30 to 8:30pm

Participation: \$20 or \$30 couple/co-parents, \$15 concession or part barter

Venue at Wentworth Falls, contact to register & for more information:

Lynette Correy e. breathe@beegreen.com.au m. 0422 107 347

Our philosophy is based primarily on the work of Kim John Payne, author of *Simplicity Parenting*, *The Soul of Discipline* and more.

Coming: Filtering the Adult World & Media, Responding to Soul Fever and our classic seven week group begins mid-October



Imagine your life... with a growing sense of ease and connection as you begin to limit distractions and say no to too much, too fast, too soon.



Newsletter: 25th August 2015

Science Week

Thank you to our guest scientists for sharing their expertise and their passion for science with us last week. It was such a successful event and we will definitely do this again.



Marshall and Kindy by the fire warming Johnny Cakes.



Minyo showing flower blossoms in a telescope.

On **Friday** evening this week at 6.45pm, Rosie Cooney, scientist and mum to Benjamin in kindy, will bring a presentation to the Peace and Reconciliation Forum about her work in Global Conservation of Wildlife. Please invite friends.

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Term 3: Monday 13 July to Friday 18 September

Week 7: Friday 28/8: Peace and Reconciliation Forum
Week 8: Friday 11/9: Working bee pre open day
Week 9: Saturday 12/9: **SPRING OPEN DAY**
Week 10: Friday 18/9: Spring celebration

Communities and International Wildlife Crime
With Rosie Cooney Friday 28 August 2015 6:45pm

Rosie is a Kindlehill parent. Rosie works for the International Union for Conservation of Nature and is affiliated with the University of New South Wales.

International illegal trade in wildlife is devastating iconic species such as elephants and rhinos, as well as a host of lesser known plants and animals.

This is a global issue! How should we respond?

Bans and enforcement on this trade raise their own set of challenges. Can supporting indigenous and local communities help combat the problem? *A conversation will follow.*

Wednesday 26th August – Conversation about Indigenous Scholarships with Ros Thomas from AIS

At 3pm in Pippita's class, Ros Thomas, who is a consultant with the Independent School's Association, will lead a discussion for parents in regard to Kindlehill's offer of scholarships to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families for 2016. Ros has been providing us with consultative support in this process. She is also local to the Blue Mountains.

In 2016 Kindlehill School will be launching our scholarship programme for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. We are offering full scholarships to students, for the period of their schooling at Kindlehill. The scholarships are offered in the spirit and enrichment of the education provided to all the children and young people at Kindlehill. Inclusion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait families will bring richness to the way curriculum is delivered as well as to the life of the community around the school. At Kindlehill we believe it is our responsibility to help bridge the gap of inequality experienced by our First Nations People.

The First Class Play

"Blend Blossom Bloom" A beautiful performance by all. Congratulations!!

**Open Day Saturday 12th September**

So what did you enjoy most about open day last year? For me there were 3 particularly significant moments. The first in the performance space during the whole school gathering; the sublime flute, Auntie Carol's gracious presence, the Wagana dancers and the beautiful (also sublime) singing of our students – no wonder visitors love our performance space, it is so enlivened by all that happens within. The second was while I was at the top of the staircase looking down with an overview of the families coming together to create an indelible moment in time of relationship, generosity, care around the children and each other, creativity and wellbeing that will ripple out into our broader community and beyond. The third was the journey through the classes both in the displays of work and in the activities through the day from kindy to class 10. This is the Art of Education made visible.

Highlights For This Coming Open Day

Welcome Performance including music, dance and singing
 * Classroom displays of student work throughout the year as well as activities in those classes related to their class work *High school art exhibition* Music tent – music will flow all day* Great food, coffee, chai * Beautiful hand made with love craft for sale.
 Class 2/3 is coordinating the Open Day, please speak with Annie if you would like to make an early offer of help. We hope every family in the school will support this very special day in our calendar.

Fee Notice Period

A reminder that a full term notice of exit from the school is required, or fees will be charged in lieu of notice. The policy applies to students in all years, including those moving from class 6/7 to high school. This policy was implemented to enable the students and staff to warmly farewell students so they depart feeling ready for their next adventure. It also enables the school to plan for each term with an accurate picture of how the class will be structured. Please let both your class teacher and administration know if your enrolment will be changing.