

# August Reflection 2019



Throughout the month of August, the Possum Children have been working on a special project to celebrate Father's Day coming up on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Our chosen experiences took the entire month to create, design, decorate, choose and wrap. The children took a lot of time and attention to create the perfect present for their Dads and Special Someone's.

This experience gave us the opportunity to have our very first cooking experience which went into our Father's Day gifts. The children made Coconut Truffles which do not need baking. The children were given the opportunity to crush cookies, measure and pour ingredients and mix the batter. As a special treat the first group of children were able to try our treat as part of our afternoon tea. The experience was repeated over the course of three different days to allow each child the opportunity to participate in this experience. The children were so good at listening to the directions and taking their time to mix and keep all the batter in the bowl that we are already planning our next cooking experience for September. Watch this space!

Other exciting experiences we have had available to us this month was Science and Book weeks. With each week, educators had opportunities to create special projects for the children to work on. For Science week, Dolly brought in boxes and the children took the time to decorate and create a train out of them. For Book week, the children listened to stories they brought to share during group time, about different super heroes and we had a dress up day on Thursday.

Our Room has seen a lot of changes since the start of the year and the children's interests have been developing throughout. Some things have stayed a constant interest and educators continue to try to make these areas interesting. We are still seeing a lot of interest in play dough and other forms of art experiences. This also applies to our musical instruments. Anything musical in the Possum Room holds the children's interest and each month we try to create new opportunities to enjoy different styles of music. Currently our interest is "What Does the Fox Say" and watching full orchestras play classical music on the iPad for a few minutes before group time.

Links to the National Quality Standards: Quality Area 1, Educational Program and Practice and Quality Area 1 Program and Practice and TRCC Philosophy