Did you know the strength and quality of the relationship between parents (and close family) and their children is being seen as fundamental to the effective development of children's brains. Parenting practices such as reading to children, using complex language, responsiveness, and warmth in interactions all result in better developmental outcomes for children. There is strong evidence that reading and talking in early childhood has a significant effect on language skills at later stages of development and therefore helps prepare children for life and schooling.

BCCC is hosting ‘the little Big Book Swap 20th to 24th June– here is how you can be involved.

1. Find a children's book in good condition at home that you no longer want
2. Bring the book into BCCC with a gold coin donation (which we will donate to the Little Big Book Club/Raising Literacy Australia)
3. Choose a Pre-loved book which other BCCC families have donated to take home
4. Read, read, read with your child

**Our Comedy Night is fast approaching:**

There are still tickets available - $50 for the entertainment which includes a great supper. Dale has a table with 6 seats left so if you are at a loose end, please feel free to join her.

We are also seeking donations of food for the Comedy Night supper – so if you are able to help or make a donation towards costs, please contact Julie or Cara:
- **SAUSAGE ROLLS, LITTLE PIES**
- **LITTLE QUICHE'S**
- **SLICES, LITTLE CAKES ETC**
- **CHEESE, DIPS & BISCUITS**

We are really hoping that this will be a sell-out night and a very funny one! So if you are still thinking you would like to come, please buy your tickets now from the office and Julie will only be too happy to help. Remember every $ we fundraise helps make your child’s time at BCCC even more enjoyable, and will also contribute to our Fundraising Target for the Extension and Redevelopment.

**WHY do we want to expand? BCCC is Bursting at the Seams:**

- **WE HAVE WAITING LISTS**
- **FAMILIES WOULD LIKE MORE FLEXIBILITY AROUND BOOKINGS**
- **WE WOULD LIKE TO ADD AN EXTRA TOILET SO WE CAN CATER FOR ALL PRESCHOOLERS IN THE DISTRICT**
- **WE WOULD LIKE TO ADD AN EXTRA COT ROOM FOR MORE BABIES**
- **FLEXIBLE SPACE FOR THE OSHC CHILDREN AND AN EXTRA SPACE FOR THE KIDS GROUP**
- **A ONE STOP SHOP FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**