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TIGER CUB KINDY NOW OPEN AT DREAMWORLD

With packed bags and eager paws, Dreamworld's 13-week-old tiger cubs, Adira and Akasha, have officially moved into their all new Tiger Cub Kindy playground from today.

Dreamworld guests now can see the cubs and their big brother Kai in the new playground at various times each day as they rumble and tumble through oversized logs and splash in the cub-sized pool.

Later this month, the cubs will be joined by their adopted white tiger cub sisters, recently transferred from Japan as part of Dreamworld's conservation partnership with Hirakawa Zoo, in Kagoshima City.

Until then, the white sisters are on display in their quarantine facility, located at Tiger Cub Kindy.

"All our cubs are settling in well to their new home," said Dreamworld's Tiger Island Manager Patrick Martin-Vegue.

"Adira and Akasha are loving the space. The new playground is very spacious so they're constantly racing around playing a tiger cub version of 'tag'.

"Kai will join them each day but we have to watch him as he's a bit of a brute with his little sisters.

"Our white girls are also enjoying their new quarantine home and all the attention. They've become very close with their handlers and are eating well, gaining almost a kilo a week."

Specially designed for Dreamworld's next generation of tigers, Tiger Cub Kindy will be open daily while Tiger Island is undergoing a \$7million make-over. The new-look Tiger Island will reopen bigger and better than ever in September this year.

To get even closer to the cubs, tiger fans can book a VIP Tiger Cub Experience or Tiger Cub Walk at Dreamworld.com.au with a percentage of funds going to help save tigers in the wild through the Dreamworld Wildlife Foundation.

Tigers are critically endangered with less than 3,000 left in the wild. Dreamworld, through the Dreamworld Wildlife Foundation (DWF), is the largest zoological contributor to tiger conservation worldwide funding anti-poaching patrols and conservation initiatives protecting wild tigers in Indonesia and Russia.

Dreamworld is an active member of the Zoo and Aquarium Association, the peak body representing the zoo and aquarium community throughout Australasia.

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ABOUT DREAMWORLD

Australia's biggest theme park, Dreamworld is happiness all in one place. Brave the 'Big 9' thrill rides, meet your favourite DreamWorks heroes and ABC KIDS characters, go wild at Tiger Cub Kindy, and discover Indigenous culture and Australian wildlife at Dreamworld Corroboree. Don't miss our all new Motorsports Experience featuring the world's first Hot Wheels themed rollercoaster - the Hot Wheels SideWinder - and the world's largest collection of Peter Brock racing cars in Brock's Garage. When the fun heats up, you can cool down at Dreamworld's interconnecting water park WhiteWater World. For details and best value tickets visit www.dreamworld.com.au

ABOUT DREAMWORLD WILDLIFE FOUNDATION (DWF)

Dreamworld plays an active role in the fostering and protection of the region's wildlife through the Dreamworld Wildlife Foundation (DWF). Established in 2012, DWF is an internationally recognised fund committed to the protection, education and conservation of the earth's most magnificent creatures and habitats, crucial to their survival. DWF makes significant donations to fund anti-poaching patrols and conservation initiatives in Russia and Indonesia to help save tigers in the wild through its conservation partners 21st Century Tiger, Flora & Fauna International and the Phoenix Fund.