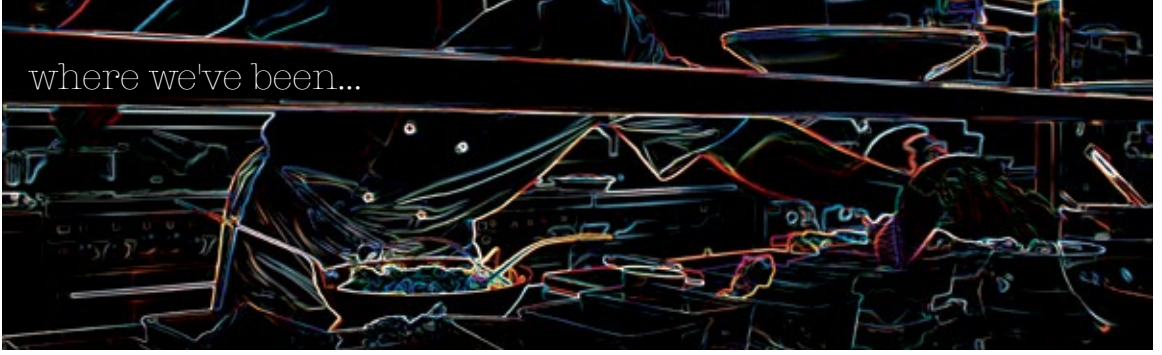


where we've been...



PIZZERIA CIBELE - Narellan Vale by Kirsty

I was picking up Brinley from pre-school and her friend Ava was getting picked up at the same time. My husband Mark was working and I had no idea what I was going to have for dinner. While chatting to Lisa (Ava's mum) I randomly asked if she had organised dinner yet? The answer was coy, "No?" (maybe she thought I was going to invite myself). "Let's go grab a quick pizza with the girls," was my reply.

It was a bit of an adventure for a 'school night' but it was cool to have an adult chat while the girls enjoyed each others company. We went to Pizzeria Cibeles in Narellan Vale.

We didn't go home first, so I didn't have my usual collection of entertainment (colouring in items and small toys) so the first thing that impressed me when we arrived after our warm greeting was the offer of colouring-in for the girls. Most of you will laugh (except the parents) but I was so impressed by how sharp the pencils were! Most places give you a full cup of broken or blunt pencils so this is a random but impressive attention to detail. Lisa, Brinley and I shared the Chicken Deluxe pizza with eggplant, sundried tomato, avocado, basil and garlic and Ava had a kids cheese pizza.

Our pizza was great! I tried to pick something unusual to try as I hadn't seen the combo anywhere, but all the traditional pizzas are available too. I was most impressed with the atmosphere. It was very relaxed and apparent that it was a local pizza place. Lots of people

in picking up takeaway and families have an easy midweek dinner. Cibeles is very popular. But I knew that - hence the visit.

Lisa decided to get a take away for her husband Alex (Tuesday is \$12 for a Large traditional pizza) so while we waited I must be honest the girls got a little lively. They were jumping around and making random dashes to the toilet down the hallway. We were apologising (of course) while we tried to wrangle them to stay near our table and the staff were so cool about it.

A lovely couple sitting next to us were also relaxed about it (the kids weren't that bad but as a parent you prefer them not to bother people). The husband Derek started to entertain the girls with a magic trick. Actually hand and eye tricks always work well on me too so I was impressed. The girls stood with jaws dropped long enough to catch them and our takeaway was ready!

A big thank you to the hospitality of the Pizzeria Cibeles team (and Derek). We had a lovely evening.