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PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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OSHC Newsletter

What a Term!

Wow! What an interesting couple of months we have just had! I would like to thank all our children, families and educators for dealing so well with the constant changes we have had to put in place to ensure we are meeting all new requirements and keeping everyone safe.

COVID-19 Updates

Children are still washing their hands before entering the gym for any of our sessions and we are continuing with our vigorous cleaning routines.

At this stage, parents and caregivers will not be permitted onsite until further notice.

The Government will be looking at the Early Childhood Education and Care Relief Package on 28 June and we will find out then whether free childcare will continue.

The school playground has now reopened and as of the 8 June we will be re-introducing plasticine and playdough play into our program. Plasticine will be taken home with the children and playdough will be made fresh each time it is programmed.

We are still not taking children on any excursions during the July school holidays. We hope to book excursions again for the October school holidays however, we are waiting to be advised by the Department for Education.

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 9th June 2020

We are now taking bookings for the Pupil Free Day on 9 June. Please book in fast as we only have limited places available.

Upcoming Vacation Care

Vacation Care Dates:
6th – 17th July

The July Vacation Care program will become available on Wednesday 27 May. Make sure you book in as soon as possible to ensure you are guaranteed a place. Cancellations for this vacation care period can be made up until Friday the 26th June (Friday week 9). Any cancellations made after this time children will be marked as *Absent* and possibly charged full fees unless a medical certificate can be provided.

At this stage, due to the Early Childhood Education and Care Relief Package there will be no charge for Vacation Care. The Federal Government is reviewing this on 28 June. Therefore, we will not require a deposit for vacation care.

If this changes before the holidays begin on the 6 July we will require a \$10 per child per day deposit. If we do not receive the deposit before Friday 3 July, your vacation care bookings will be cancelled. If you have a credit on your account you may use that as the vacation care deposit.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

Again this winter OSHC will be supporting the annual Vinnies Winter Appeal. Last year was very successful and we were able to donate a large amount of warm clothes, blankets and tinned foods. As of the 1st of June we will be collecting donations of tinned foods, warm clothes, blankets and sleeping bags. Any kind of donation big or small would make the world of difference to someone in need. Please give any donations to your children to drop off or give them to an educator at the front gate upon drop off/collection.



