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**THORNDON PARK
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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OSHC Newsletter

Hello Term 2!

Welcome back!! As you may have already noticed there are a number of wonderful new additions to the educator team and I would like to introduce them to you...



Left to right: **Ashlee** (our Wellbeing Leader who provides us with all the delicious foods for snack), **Shayla, Zac, Jordan, Josh & Felicity**. Each of these Educators

come with their own set of skills and experience that the service is lucky to have.

Cancellations

Families need to let the service know if their child is unable to attend as soon as possible. Failure to cancel before school care sessions by 9am the day before and after school care sessions by 12pm the day before will result in charges being applied. If families can provide the service with a medical certificate for the child's absence, non-cancellation charges will be waived. This also applies to children who are sent home sick from school during the day.

Deposits Removal

Due to family feedback and a review of our Fees Policy the previously required deposits for Vacation Care and Pupil Free Days have been removed. This has been implemented on a trial basis and will be removed next term. If you would like to provide any feedback on this policy review, please do not hesitate to get in contact with me.

Signing in & out:

All parents and caregivers **MUST** sign their children in and out of the respective session using the iPad. This is a policy requirement and a safety procedure that are essential we follow accurately at all times. To do this you need to provide the service with your individual

email, create an Xplor account and download the Xplor Home app. Support for creating an account can be found by using the link below:

<https://support.ourxplor.com/hc/en-us/articles/900000777683-New-Parent-Guardian-Set-Up>

HUB GUESTS

If you are unable to collect or drop off your child, then you need to give another adult authority to sign your child/ren in or out of the service. You must do this by adding them as a hub guest. This can be easily done by following the instruction in the link below:

<https://support.ourxplor.com/hc/en-us/articles/360039413152-Home-Hub-Guests>

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 14th June

Get your booking forms back to me before 6pm Friday 3rd June to secure your spot. Booking forms can be found via the Xplor Home app, on the school website and sent out via email. Please note, we need a minimum of 15 bookings to provide care for the day.

Upcoming Vacation Care

July Vacation Care Dates:

Week 1: 11th to 15th

Week 2: 18th to 22nd

Vanessa is busy working on the July program and let me tell you...it's another beauty! The program and booking forms will be emailed to all families on Thursday June 2 (week 5). As we always say, be sure to book in early to avoid disappointment. Cancellations for this vacation care period can be made, up until Friday the 1st July (week 9). Any cancellations made after this time will be charged the full fee; unless a medical certificate is provided.

Kelly Sports

It's **BACK!!!** We have booked in Kelly Sports again this term on



Thursday's commencing 9th June from 4 -5pm until the end of term. Your children will be able to get involved in different sports each week run by a qualified coach.

Kind regards,

Tegan Neville

OSHC Director

From Our Educational Leader...

Term 4 Program

In Term 4, our theme was 'Nature', as our school is surrounded by the beautiful Australian landscape – with hills, eucalyptus trees, and wattle as far as the eye can see! We are so lucky to be situated where we are, on rich and plentiful Kurna land. Our activities and crafts throughout the term utilised the natural landscape around us – eucalyptus leaf echidnas, still life drawing outside, magic wands, leaf printing, and flower petal suncatchers. The children loved using natural resources and crafting outside in the warm sunny weather – we will definitely continue this for as long as possible until winter sets in!



December/January Vacation Care

It reached that time of year, our FIVE weeks of non-stop fun! The first two weeks were packed with Christmas fun and also our first water excursion for the holidays! We went to Waterworld, where the children enjoyed their time on the waterslides, played with our new pool toys, and challenged each other in Marco Polo.

Once again, in the new year some of our excursions were put on hold due to COVID-19 😞 But we ensured that the children still had fun. They participated in programming by Time4Tech (always a hit), Wheel's Day, and for the first time, Toy Day, where the children could bring in toys from home. One day definitely stood out from the rest, and that was our Waterplay Day. We had a mini blow-up pool, water balloons, buckets and sponges, and of course a MASSIVE hose to make sure everyone (including educators) were drenched! We will definitely be doing this centre-based day again!!!



Term 1 Program Outline

The theme for term 1 was 'All Aussie Adventures' and we engrossed ourselves in all things Australia!!

Term 2 has us exploring the wild and wonderful ANIMALS the world has to offer... get ready for a GRRRRreat term and keep an eye out on the Xplor notifications for the awesome program and crafts we are offering. If you have any feedback we would love to hear from you.

Thanks,
Vanessa Lucchesi
Educational Leader 😊