BEPS OSHC WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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SUN SMART Terms 1 & 4

OSHC must where a hat at all times when outside

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What's been happening this week at OSHC..

Hi OSHC FAMILIES,
Lots of things are going on as we race towards Christmas. The children are excited and tentative about moving up and on, lots of conversations and natural anticipation. As usual, lots of creativity, making and doing, and of course general silliness—summer is here!! Have a great weekend..

OSHC TEAM

WHAT IS NEW AT OSHC THIS WEEK

⇒ **2021 OSHC Bookings Round One Offer** — are open to families (including new prep siblings) with current permanent bookings now via MyFamily Lounge — use the MyFamily Lounge widget on the OSHC page of the schools website; http://beps.vic.edu.au/oshc/
Make sure you follow the steps; accept the offers, update enrolment forms — print sign and return to OSHC, pay $100 per family (make sure your account is in credit by the end of the year)

⇒ **Medical documentation for OSHC**; we have a number of families that need to provide us with updated medical plans and medication. Could you please make sure that you provide this important and necessary documentation to the OSHC service as soon as possible. If your child has been recently diagnosed with a medical condition please make sure you update this information in MyFamily Lounge and let OSHC know.

⇒ **OSHC Invoices**; Apologies for not sending out the invoices. I have been waiting for Services Australia to finalise the payments and any subsidies that needed to be applied. This was only completed recently. Please check your invoices which will be dated from the end of March up until now—if there are any discrepancies —please let me know. You may need to update your MyGov account and confirm your booking, or I may have not applied a COVID-19m credit? All charges started from the 12/10 (or before that if you were an essential worker and used care), some charges are outstanding from prior to the 24/03. We can always apply credits, and backdate Childcare subsidy (to certain dates) if you are eligible.

COVID-19 CORONA VIRUS OSHC UPDATE Term 4>

Arrangements for OSHC during COVID-19 for Term 4 - 12/10-18/12

Term 4 Booking Process

- All bookings prior to COVID have been retained and are set to be in place for term 4, from the 12/10—if you wish t o change these days please put in request to change days MyFamily Lounge. Contact me if you have any queries.
- All OSHC policies and procedures apply as usual
- Childcare fees will be charged for attendances from term 4. Additional Childcare Subsidy assistance is available please see page 3 and 4 of this newsletter.

- **Afternoon Tea at OSHC**
- **Health & safety, Hygiene at OSHC**; As you may be aware we are increasing our hygiene vigilance and asking children and Educators to wash their hands more thoroughly and regularly, keep resources to a minimum, practising safe distancing as best we can. Staff may need to wear face-masks—however we are aware of the impact this may have on the children.
- **No families on school grounds**; Phyllis mobile; 0422209671 or Ring 93872631, for checking drop off at BSC and ASC collection - Please wait at Glenda's gate and your child will be brought to you.

These arrangements will be in place for Term 4 or until further notice. We will provide information on the changes as we receive further guidance from the Department of Education, Dept of Health and BEPS.

Wecome to our New OSHC Educator;

Raffaella Pasturi (Fay),
She is teacher trained
And comes to us with
Lots of experience in
OSHC…
And she is very funny!!

Important OSHC Reminders

- **Absences**: Contact the OSHC Service if your child will be absent from OSHC; message/text, email
- Children are to be picked up by authorized contacts only.
- **Before care**: If you wish to have an emergency spot, please ring the direct OSHC number ; 93872631 or Phyllis mob; 0422209671

OSHC Sub-Committee of Management

Next meeting: 24th Nov; 6.00pm
Agora meeting
ALL WELCOME

Child Care Subsidy Balancing

After the end of each financial year, Centrelink balances your Childcare Subsidy ('balancing' is known as 'reconciliation'). To find out more go to; humanservices.gov.au/balancing

Family Feedback

We welcome your feedback . Your ideas, thoughts and suggestions are important to us and help us to create a quality service for you and your children. Please let us know. Email, phone, chat..

We also are always on the look out for re-cycled materials and ideas for cooking, activities & experiences.

The Child Care Subsidy System & Government Compliance

- Have you signed your CWA - Complying written Agreement & Enrolment form Yet?
- Do not forget you will have to confirm any changes to permanent days in your MyGov online account
- Check your subsidy regularly to make sure you are receiving the correct subsidy and hours you are entitled too.

My Family Lounge

- **Web;** Use the online My Family Lounge web application to enrol, re-enrol, or request changes to your permanent days. http://beps.vic.edu.au/oshc
- **App**: Download the My Family Lounge App on your mobile phone to check for casual vacancies, make casual bookings and cancellations; www.myfamilylounge.com.au

OSHC Invoices

All OSHC payments are made via the Qkr! Mastercard App downloaded from Google play/App store.

OSHC Invoices are sent out fortnightly and are expected to be paid on a regular fortnightly basis.

Please see Rena if you have any issues with completing this.

Weekly Aftercare & Beforecare Program Plan

Framework for School Age Care: Focus Outcomes;

1.'Children have a strong sense of identity'

2. 'Children are connected with and contribute to their world'

3. 'Children have a Strong Sense of Wellbeing'

4. 'Children are confident and involved learners'

23rd November

ASC

Children's choices; AFL
WHEELS , colourful, Bracelet making, art room with Jake

BSC:
Children's choices, Cards Games, making bag name tags

Tues 24th November

ASC

Children's choices; Cricket, making Origami Flowerpots, hiding turtles, crayon drawing/watercolours on stage outside

BSC:
Children's choices;

Wed 25th November

ASC;
Children's choices; Wheels, painting, Indigenous Flag Craft, BUSH OSHC

BSC:
Children's choices; drawing, board games

Thurs 26th November

ASC:
Children's choices; Tennis, colourful, hall game/musical games, oval games

BSC:
Children's choices; drawing board games, sewing ,outside play

Fri 27th November

ASC:
Children's choices; Handball

BSC:
Children's choices; drawing board games, sewing ,outside play

What's been happening at OSHC this week:

Great to have a lot more OSHC children back!!!!

Question for Parents and Carers

Did you know that there is a suggestion box in the sign out area that you can put your feedback in. We would really like to know what you think about OSHC—positive and negative feedback appreciated.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR FEEDBACK & THOUGHTS……

We are also looking for parent/carer volunteers to spend a little time at OSHC;

Do you like to sew?
Cook?
Build?
Design?

Have a special skill/activity that you could share with the OSHC Educators and children?

Please come and chat with us

We are also looking for donations of;

Wool
Paper
Re-cycling boxes
Cloth Material
Small wood offcuts
Old lego, bionicles, toys, games, etc

Anything that we can make things out of and re-cycle..