

# **VACATION CARE PROGRAM**

**April 2023** 

St John the Baptist OSHC, Woy Woy

Hours: 6.30am - 6.30pm

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#### **BOOKINGS & GENERAL INFORMATION**

Our vacation care service operates between 6.30am - 6.30pm for children up to 12 years old who are currently enrolled in primary school.

We are licensed to enrol 100 children per day and are always required as per regulations to maintain the approved staff to child ratio.

We are excited to share with you our April vacation care program. We have planned our vacation care program to offer children the time to relax and have fun with their friends, especially since they may have spent some time separated from them.

Considering the everchanging COVID-19 and influenza, we wanted to note that St John the Baptist OSHC is focused on the safety and wellbeing of the children, families and staff and we will be taking precautions at this time.

As the safety, health and wellbeing of our students and staff is paramount, we will continue to monitor and respond to the advice from relevant government and health authorities. Staff will be vigilant regarding cleaning and hygiene, also supporting children to do the same. Risk assessments have been completed for our vacation care program including any planned incursions. We welcome families to request these from your service supervisor for your review.

The vacation care program has been planned thoughtfully, with fun in mind, and with consideration of the current recommendations from government and health authorities. Following advice from the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay, excursions and incursions will be limited and will occur within our local communities.

#### **STAFF**

Educators are employed because of their experience and knowledge in childcare and all educators are involved in ongoing training. At parent sign in area, you will find the details of which educator is in charge between the hours of 6.30pm.

#### AM I ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE CHILD CARE SUBSIDY (CCS) DURING VACATION CARE?

The Centre is approved for the Child Care Subsidy. You must have a formalised account with the centre to receive your fee reduction.

The package helps parents with children aged 0 – 13 work, train, study, and volunteer. It will be paid directly to services. You will need to complete a Centrelink Child Care Subsidy if you have not already. You can complete your assessment through <u>MyGov</u> using your Centrelink online account or via the Express Plus Centrelink mobile app.

#### **HOW DO I MAKE A BOOKING?**

Please complete the booking form. If booking for the first time, you will need to also complete an enrolment form.

### https://stjohnthebaptistoshc.hubworks.com.au/

and you can use the BOOK ME app.

#### WHAT ARE THE FEES AND CHARGES?

Incentre cost is \$66.00 per day, additional costs depending on the incursion or excursion will be reflected in the program.

#### WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT EXCURSIONS?

Excursions are planned and focus on the interests of children enrolled at the service. Risk assessments are completed by the coordinator in consultation with Catholic Care to ensure that the safety of all children is always maintained. Excursions are staffed at a staff to child ratio of 1:8 and 1:4 for water-based experiences.

Information pertaining to excursions will be provided on the permission forms and parents/carers are welcomed and encouraged to read the supervision and risk assessments completed by the service.

#### **MEALS**

Families are to provide food for their children enrolled in the vacation care program unless otherwise specified on the permission form. Please do not send any food that requires heating as we do not have the facilities to do so (We are not permitted to reheat food due to regulations).

Due to the severity of some children's allergies, we are nut and egg aware. Please do not send any food with nuts or egg.

If your child has allergy or dietary restrictions, please make an appointment to discuss with staff prior to vacation care.

#### **PROGRAMMING & EVALUATION**

During each school holiday period children are asked to provide ideas and comments for the current and next school holiday program. Evaluations can be found in our daily evaluation located on the sign on desk

#### WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD WEAR & SUN SAFETY INFORMATION?

Please make sure to clearly label all items of clothing. It is important to ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and the daily activities.

St John the Baptist OSHC endorses the Cancer Council's 'Sun Safe OOSH' Policy. Under this policy, a daily UV check is conducted, and at times where the UV level is above 3, SPF 50 sunscreen is applied every 2-3 hours. Children are also required to wear sun safe clothing, including a broad brimmed, bucket style or legionnaire hat, and clothing which covers their shoulders. Singlets and caps are not sun safe clothing. If your child attends Vacation Care without appropriate sun safe clothing, they will be provided with a hat/ shirt. Children must also wear sensible shoes for walking and playing (i.e., enclosed shoes or strap-on sandals) and bring a jumper or a jacket and drink bottle each day. Thongs and slip-on style shoes are not permitted.

Children must have a hat to wear each day as per our sun safe policy. Please ensure that sunscreen is applied before your child attends vacation care. Educators will ensure that sunscreen is applied throughout the day. If you prefer that your child, use a different sunscreen to the one provided by CatholicCare please ensure they have it in their bag and educators will remind them to apply it.

#### WHAT IF MY CHILD NEED'S MEDICATION?

Prescription medication can only be administered by educators with written permission from the parent/guardian. This is actioned by completed a medication form available at the OSHC service.

Medication must be handed to an educator in its original packaging with the prescribed dosage information and use-by date. Non-prescription medication cannot be administered by educators, as per CatholicCare policy.

For further information, please see the Centre Coordinator.

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#### **EASTER MONDAY**

We are closed today. We look forward to seeing you again tomorrow.

#### SJB HOEDOWN

Calling all the cowboys and cowgirls. Come and enjoy craft, games, line dancing and a yummy sausage sizzle lunch

#### PIXIE PATROL

Do fairies exist? Have you ever seen a real dragon? This is an adventure show that will make you believe! Mr & Ms B are members of the 1890 secret society called Pixie Patrol. They will teach you how to tame a pixie and where to find a troll. There may even be a goblin or two hiding at the centre!

# KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE

Today we enter a world of knights and princesses. Let's have fun with some medieval adventures and craft.

#### IT'S CRAZY SHAKE TIME

Today we are heading off to Warnies Railway Café. We will enjoy a yummy crazy shake and chips. How crazy will your shake be?

Only 50 places









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# MONDAY 17 APRIL

#### **HUNTER VALLEY ZOO**

With a large collection of animal species, including cheetahs, lions, American alligators, camels, monkeys, meerkats, koalas, kangaroos, reptiles, lemurs and farm animals to name a few, plus their newest addition to the family - zebras, there really is something for everyone!

Only 60 places





#### **WELCOME TO** JURASSIC PARK

Step back into a prehistoric world. Enjoy a dress up day, games and even a jelly fossil dig and craft!

INCENTRE

\$76.00

#### TONZ OF FUN

19 APRIL

WEDNESDAY

From the double storey play structure, giant slides and obstacles, the kids will be entertained for hours. From tunnels to crawl through, beams to climb over, and a mini mirror maze to get lost in, the kids will enjoy an engaging play experience. Come and race your friends down the slippery dips!

Only 60 places



#### COOL KIDS FIRST AID

THURSDAY

Cool Kids First Aid believe that anyone can help to save a life.

We use small steps in an age appropriate, fun, and interactive way to introduce children to the basic but essential skills of first aid and managing an emergency.



#### LET'S SHIMMY SHAKE

21 APRIL

Learn some cool moves in this fun filled dance workshop where the kids will wiggle and giggle!

How better to engage your kids than by allowing them to feel the joy of movement with the magic of Bollywood dance! Kids will learn the basics of Bollywood dance techniques while participating in an educational cultural dance experience.





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# MONDAY 24 APRIL

#### PJ MOVIE DAY

Jump out of bed and into OSHC for a day of movies, games, and fun. There will be prizes for the wackiest PJs!

# TUESDAY 25 APRIL

#### ANZAC DAY

We are closed today. We hope you have a lovely day with family & friends.





# April 2023 BOOKING FORM

A risk assessment of all e	excursions is carried out and a pri	give permission for my children.			
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sheet. I understand tha	t any offsite transportation will be		Baptist . I understand that my child	nd agree to abide by the conditions set out in the information d/ren must be at the centre by the requested time. I will allow Date:	

Date	Tick if attending	Activity	Location	Cost	Travel	Departing	Returning	No. children approx.	Staff: child ratio	No. staff attending	Responsible person on duty
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> April		SJB HoeDown	OSHC	\$66.00	NIL	Incentre	Incentre	100	1:15	4	Kate Lindsay
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> April		Pixie Patrol	OSHC	\$82.00	NIL	9.30am	Incentre	100	1:15	4	Kate Lindsay
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> April		Knights Of the round Table	OSHC	\$76.00	NIL	Incentre	Incentre	100	1:15	5	Kate Lindsay
Friday 14th April		Warnies Café	Warnervale	\$92.00	BUS	9am	2pm	50	1:8	7	Kate Lindsay
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April		Hunter Valley Zoo	Lovedale	\$92.00	BUS	8.30am	3pm	60	1:8	7	Kate Lindsay
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April		Jurassic Park	OSHC	\$76.00	NIL	Incentre	Incentre	100	1:15	4	Kate Lindsay
Wednesday 19th April		Tunz of Fun	Wyong	\$92.00	BUS	10.30am	1,30pm	60	1:8	7	Kate Lindsay
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> April		Cool Kidz 1st Aid	OSHC	\$82.00	NIL	9am	2PM	100	1:15	4	Kate Lindsay
Friday 21 <sup>ST</sup> April		Shake & Shimmey	OSHC	\$82.00	NIL	9am	1pm	100	1:15	4	Kate Lindsay
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April		PJ'S and Movie Day	OSHC	\$66.00	NIL	Incentre	Incentre	100	1:15	4	Kate Lindsay