



WINTER VACATION CARE PROGRAM JULY 2017



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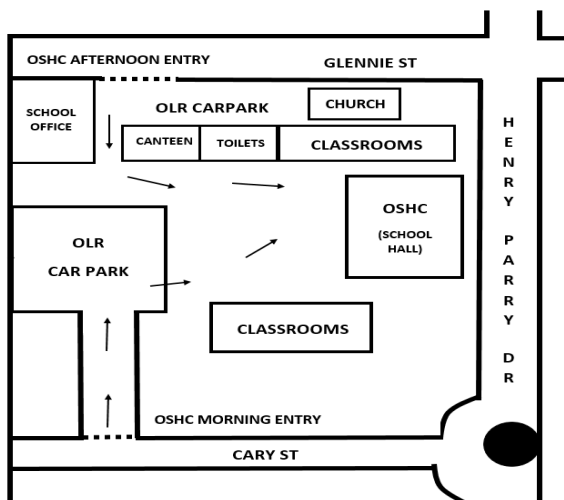
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Gosford Regional Community Services

HOW TO FIND US

The office is located at the Wyoming Community Centre at 147 Maidens Brush Rd. The Vacation Care program operates from the grounds of Our Lady of the Rosary School on the corner of Henry Parry, Glennie and Cary Streets. Access is shown on the map.



We acknowledge the Darkinjung people as the traditional owners of the land on which we work.



Please keep noise to a minimum when accessing the service as church personnel live on site.

PLEASE NOTE

When arriving use the CARY St car park. Pick up is via the GLENNIE St car park. If you are unable to arrive by 6:30pm please arrange for your nominee to collect your child and phone the service to advise. Late fees will apply for pick up after 6:30pm.

ACCESS and OPERATING HOURS

Our service operates from 6:30am to 6:30pm. We ask that children arrive before 9:30am and leave after 3:30pm whenever possible as gates are locked between those times. If the gates are locked please call 0427 376 547 and a staff member will come to open up but please be patient as they may need to arrange supervision before they can come to the gate.

welcome

To our Vacation Care Program for the Winter School Holidays. We have another exciting and varied program to offer which includes ice skating in Kibble Park, Soccer 5's, bush dancing and perennial favourite Wheels Day.

MEDICATION:

A medical management plan is required for any child who has ongoing medical issues including asthma and allergies. Medication will only be accepted if it is in its original packaging or a Webster Pack and can only be administered if prescribed by a health professional.



An authority form must be completed at the time of booking.

NO EXCEPTIONS

CHILD SAFETY & PROTECTION:

The Safety and Wellbeing of your Children is our First Priority. We are a **locally managed** Community based care service, approved by the Department of Education and Communities (Service Approval No: SE 00013740) & fully licensed by the Department of Employment, Education & Workplace Relations (DEEWR) for Child Care Benefits and Rebates. All supervisors are approved by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) and our staff have:

- Current Working with Children checks.
- Up to date First Aid Certificates including Asthma & Anaphylaxis Management.
- Undertaken *Identify & Respond to Children at Risk* training.

We **DO NOT** use volunteers, students on placement or older children to supervise your children.

what do I need to bring?

SPECIAL DAYS:

SOCCER 5'S DAY: Children can bring their soccer boots if they have any although they are not essential. Also bring a re-fillable water bottle and a backpack with their lunch.

ICE SKATING IN KIBBLE PARK: Although skates are provided children will need socks and warm clothes. Please bring a re-fillable water bottle and a backpack with their lunch. Make sure the bag is easy to carry as we are walking to the water front to have our lunch and staff have their own bags to carry.

WHEELS DAY: Children bring their own bike, scooter or skates. Please provide their helmet and any knee or elbow pads if they use them. A hat is essential today and every day.

FOOD: Children get hungry!! We don't provide food for children during Vacation Care. Please pack:

**A nutritious morning tea
Afternoon snack**

**A substantial lunch
A re-fillable drink bottle**



PLEASE DO NOT SEND:

Any nuts or food products containing nuts
Soft drinks or Fast food (McDonalds, KFC, Subway etc.)
We prefer children do not bring chips and lollies

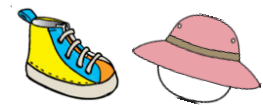
Note: No cooking facilities are available. Please inform staff if your child's food needs refrigeration. Please note this cannot be guaranteed as space is limited

CLOTHING:

Please don't send the children in expensive clothes – we DO use paint and glue and the children play outside.
Children should be wearing:

**Enclosed, non-slip shoes
A warm jacket or jumper**

**A hat that protects their face, neck & ears
Sun-safe clothing suitable for the day's activities**



Note: Children should NOT wear singlet or tank tops, thongs, crocs, ballet slippers etc. They are unsuitable & parents will be asked to return with more appropriate items.



PLEASE DO NOT BRING: Mobile phones, toys, electronic games etc. They cause arguments & distress if the item is broken or lost. These items will be confiscated & returned at the end of the day. We do not accept responsibility for any personal item that is lost or broken.

THE FINE PRINT

FEES

Our current, daily standard fee is just \$50.00* per child for up to 12 hours care. Fees are reduced by the amount of your Child Care Benefit and Rebate. (CCB and CCR). Generally CCB is automatically deducted from your fees. Even without CCB the maximum payable is less than \$25 for a full day's activities after the Child Care Rebate. For some, the cost can be less than \$4 per day! Compare these costs with other similar holiday activities. * *Higher fees apply if direct debit is not used.*

PAYMENT

We use Direct Debit for our fees to reduce administrative overheads. Fees are debited on the Thursday for the following week, based on estimated CCB/CCR and any adjustments are processed in the following week. Bookings will not be accepted if accounts are in arrears. If you are experiencing financial hardship and require care due to work or study commitments please speak to the Manager or Coordinator prior to the holidays as we can, in certain circumstances, approve Special Child Care Benefit which will cover 100% of your fees.

ACTIVITIES AND SURCHARGES

As a Not for Profit, Community based organisation we aim to provide affordable child care for as many families as possible while ensuring that children attending Vacation Care experience the usual "holiday" activities. Where surcharges are added, it is to cover the cost of transport, entry fees, presenter fees, hire of equipment and wages for additional staff.

CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

As a community organisation we try to accommodate all children. However, due to the additional staffing required, and to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children, enrolment of children with additional needs is dependent on the activities planned, the number of children attending and the complexity of the issue. Please contact the Coordinator Amanda Jefferys prior to the holidays to discuss your requirements.

PLEASE BOOK EARLY

We conform to the Government's priority of access guidelines:

1. Children who are at risk or require emergency care
2. Children whose parents are working or studying
3. Any other child

EMERGENCIES

IF you are not booked in your child cannot be accepted. However, in an emergency we will always try to accommodate your needs. Please contact the Centre as soon as you are aware that you need care.

the program

DAY	ACTIVITY
MON 3 JULY	GAMES THROUGH THE AGES Do you ever remember the games that you played in your childhood? We will be re-visiting marbles, sack races, balloon relay, sticker tag and many more.
TUES 4 JULY	ABORIGINAL ART AND BUSH DANCING In the morning we will be acknowledging Naidoc Week by creating art influenced by our Indigenous culture. After lunch, musician Greg Dimmock will play and call some bush dances for us.
WED 5 JULY	SOCCER 5'S EXCURSION Travelling by bus to Tuggerah, we will be coached by professional players who will teach the soccer skills & ref a game for us. \$10 extra charge
THUR 6 JULY	MAZE ABOUT DAY A day of crazy mazes. Children will be creating mazes of every kind.
FRIDAY 7 JULY	KITE DAY We'll be hoping for a windy day for this one, as we'll be making various kites and hopefully flying them, high in the clouds.
MON 10 JULY	MAD HATTER DAY With craft activities, cooking and games we will be having fun around the Alice in Wonderland characters which will include a Mad Hatter's Tea Party – naturally.
TUES 11 JULY	LAB RATS DAY This fun incursion includes lots of hands on science experiments with names like Milo Tin Explosion, Fire Snake and Acid Base Testing. Should be a fun day learning lots of cool stuff.
WED 12 JULY	ICE SKATING AT KIBBLE PARK Travelling by bus, we will experience this fun annual event where a large ice skating pond is created in Kibble Park. After skating we will walk to Gosford Waterfront for a picnic lunch. \$10 extra charge
THUR 13 JULY	WHEELS DAY Our most requested day! Children bring their own bikes and wheels and we set up fun tracks to ride around – all day!
FRI 14 JULY	ANCIENT EGYPT DAY A day of craft and games around the theme of this ancient culture.

PLEASE NOTE: The program is subject to change without notice if it is deemed to be in the best interests of the children or there are insufficient bookings for an excursion

booking form

DATE & ACTIVITY	FULL NAME OF CHILD NO 1	FULL NAME OF CHILD NO 2	FULL NAME OF CHILD NO 3
Mon 3 July Games Through the Ages			
Tue 4 July Aboriginal Art and Bush Dancing			
Wed 5 July Excursion Soccer 5's \$10 charge			
Thu 6 July Maze About Day			
Fri 7 July Kite Day			
Mon 10 July Mad Hatter Day			
Tues 11 July Lab Rats Day	FULL	FULL	FULL
Wed 12 July Excursion Ice Skating on Kibble Park \$10 extra charge			
Thur 13 July Wheels Day	FULL	FULL	FULL
Fri 14 July Ancient Egypt Day			

- I agree to photographs being taken for publicity purposes
- I undertake to advise any change in contact details
- I am aware that payments are made by Direct Debit and that additional fees apply if any other payment method is used
- I agree to the emergency administration of first aid and to the transportation by ambulance to hospital if deemed necessary
- By signing this booking form I acknowledge that I understand the terms and conditions relating to bookings, attendance and payment of accounts.

Parent Name

Email address

Contact Phone Number

Signature

Date

Building a community rich in social capital, supporting and responding to families' and individual's needs.

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