

Truscott St PS OOSH Newsletter W5 T3 2017

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Director's Update

Middle of Term 3 already! The time certainly has flown. The weather has mostly been kind keeping us outdoors much of the time with the children enjoying Hockey and Badminton as well as the very popular soccer and dodge ball games.

For our scientifically inclined children, the slime making and cardboard box construction zone activities have been going pretty strong. More interesting games and activities are being planned for the rest of the term.

Winter VC received a huge amount of positive feedback from children, families and staff. The highlights of the program were Ultimate Family Entertainment, Slot Shop and Mr. Bamboozle's workshops.

Bookings for our next vacation care will commence on Monday 4th September.

VC Payments: To clear any confusion surrounding the VC payments and keep consistency, please know that <u>all</u> families including the families of children regularly attending Before and After School Care are required to <u>pre-pay their Vacation Care fees via Bank Transfer.</u> No VC booking will be confirmed without the submission of proof of payment and permission form before the



closing date.

Father's Day Breakfast:

Our annual Father's Day Breakfast is going to be held on Friday 1st Sep. Please do drop by for a bite

IMPORTANT NOTICE

and a chat even if your child is not attending the service that day.

Formal Enrolment Notice

A reminder to all the families to

check their CRN and DOB details entered in our online portal because any mistake could affect your CCB or CCR payments

Updating Medical Condition Documentation

Dear Families, Please advise OOSH of any new, ceased or other changes to your child/ren's medical condition or prescription. The service will require an updated individual medical management plan from the child's medical practitioner or specialist detailing the medical condition of the child, correct dosage of any medication as prescribed and how the condition is to be managed in the service environment. We need to have updated information to support children with medical conditions to participate fully in the day to day

program and promote their sense of wellbeing, connectedness and belonging to the service ("My Time, Our Place" program outcomes 1.2, 3.1).

Sign In/ Sign Out Procedure

When you or your authorised representative sign a child in or out of OOSH of Vacation Care do not forget that this is a LEGAL PROCESS and needs to be taken seriously.

In order to keep all our children safe please **DO NOT**:

- Let anybody use your username and password
- Allow any child to input the details into the touchscreen

If you need someone new who is not an authorised representative with their own login to pick up a child then you will need to:

- 1) Send an email to truscottstoosh@gmail.com
- 2) Inform that person that they will need to bring Photo ID
 If your child knows your login details then you MUST change your password using these steps:
- 1) Goto www.truscottstoosh.com.au

- 2) Click on the Webserver-Parent Login button at the bottom of the homepage
- Login with your username and password
- 4) Click on "User menu"
- 5) Click on "Change Password"
- 6) Click the save button

I regret to say that in recent months, children have often been picked up from the service later than 6 pm.

It becomes a safety issue for both children and staff to remain at the service after the prescribed closing time.

If the parent or nominated person is unavoidably detained they should contact the Centre as soon as possible with alternative arrangements for the collection of the child.

Staff Updates

Sadly this term we had to say good bye to Tahlia. She resigned because of her increasing Uni commitments.

On the evening of 9th August five of our senior staff attended a food handling course at Epping

Heights Primary School.

Staff have also started using visuals to better communicate with children. Staff have observed the positive effect of this resource and will continue to improve and use them in the future.

OOSH Menu Term 3

- Honey and Soy Chicken and Vegetable stir fry noodles
- Banana Bread
- Homemade granola bars
- Cauliflower Mac and Cheese
- Homemade sausage rolls

Most of our cooked items are made from scratch on site. All the menu choices are made by our children. At the end of each term, children decide what they would like have for afternoon tea in the next term and staff put together the menu accordingly.

There is always a vegetarian and gluten free alternative provided with any meat or bread based options. Please do ask staff for any particular recipe your child has become "partial to".



Mother's Day breakfast

Thank you to all the beautiful mothers and (a few) fathers for attending our breakfast on Friday 12th May. It was great to see the families who made an effort to come by especially for the occasion. Here are some lovely

pictures from the morning:





