OSHClub Newsletter

Before School / After School Care Program



TERM 1 WEEK 2 - Outside of School Hours Care Hello to the parents and carers of our Newington Wyvern House OSHClubers ©

I am excited to announce that our Before and After School Care program is already in full-swing for 2015; there are more boys attending than ever before and am pleased to mention that we have had a very positive start to the year!

NEW TO OSHCLUB?

Firstly, welcome to Newington, we look forward to meeting you in person as the year progresses! Please find attached to our newsletter a copy of our program information fliers - if you have any concerns or general inquiries please don't hesitate to contact myself – the Program Coordinator, Natalya on 0428 131 700. At OSHClub we aim to encourage children to engage in both physical and creative activities – our afternoons consist of free play, a programmed art and craft activity, group sport games and an opportunity to complete homework. If you would like your child/ren to complete homework on a regular basis please inform the onsite staff; we have a 'Homework Calendar' which will be referred to daily, except Fridays. Additionally, please feel free to have a look at our onsite 'Notice Board' for any information regarding the program – here you will also be able to view the scheduled activities and afternoon tea for the week.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE BOOKINGS;

A friendly reminder to parents who wish to utilise the service; if you have not done so already, please visit our website www.oshclub.com.au to create an online enrolment – it is easy and there is no signup fee! Should you have any issues regarding your online account; please contact our Account Manager, Maria at maria@oshclub.com.au as she will be able to assist with any payment or booking issues. We do request that you book your child/ren in online at least 24 hours in advance, as this ensures we have the correct number of staff-to-children ratio so your child is most efficiently and safely supervised. Additionally, booking in advance allows us to cater an ample amount of afternoon tea for all children, prior to the commencement of the session. If you would like to organise a regular booking, this can be completed via your online account. Should you need to make a late booking (attend on the day of), please SMS/phone Natalya on 0428 131 700 preferably before 9:30am, however, please be mindful that there is a late booking fee for those that have not booked online in advance.

ENROLMENT FORM UPDATES;

Please ensure your child/ren's enrolment is up-to-date, this includes any medicals as well as the year group they are currently in. Please do this as soon as possible as this does become problematic when collecting K-2 as we may wait/follow up a boy which we believe to be in year 2, however is in year 3 (year 3-6 are to make their own way up to us once class has concluded for the day). Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

IMPORTANT MEDICAL INFORMATION;

Before the commencement of each session staff members are informed of any medical requirements, if this is not noted correctly on the online enrolment, information may be missed or miscommunicated. It is essential that on your child/ren's online enrolment specifies any dietary requirements, allergies, and/or other diagnosed medical conditions.

If you list your child/ren as an Asthmatic, please email us a doctor signed copy of their Asthma Action Plan prior to their attendance to oshclub.newington@gmail.com. Please note that if your child does NOT have an Asthma Action Plan provided by the doctor that this is removed from their online

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enrolment as soon as possible. If your child suffers from Anaphylaxis; our policy states that we must be provided with an Auto-Injector (Epipen) along with an Action Plan. It is imperative that you provide us with any required medication to be kept on site, or for medication to be kept with your child, which can then be signed in/out. We appreciate your ongoing cooperation with this.

DONATIONS;

Have any toys, games, sporting equipment, and/or art supplies lying around no longer being put to use?! As long as these are in working condition, please feel free to donate these to us – we would love to give any toys, dress-ups, sporting equipment, games, art supplies, recyclable materials etc. a new home!

DECEMBER 2014 HOLIDAY PROGRAM;

I am also pleased to announce that our previous holiday program, which ran at the end of last year, was a great success! A huge thank you to the HP OSHClub staff (Natali Keentok, Sophie Cross, Stephen O'Sullivan, Karlie Rowe, Pamela Alvarado, Zoe Tseros) that assisted with the temporary move to and from the boarding house. Furthermore, thank you for facilitating the daily craft/sporting activities, and for constantly ensuring the children had a safe and enjoyable experience! We would also like to extend our appreciation to Mr King for warmly welcoming us into his usual space – thank you!



WHAT HAVE WE DONE THE PAST FORTNIGHT?

Our first couple of days back consisted of a mixture of child initiated games and continuous discussions about what we spent our time doing during the holidays! This week we concentrated on settling back into the school year by revising our rules and behavioural expectations; we discussed the importance

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of safe/fair play, when the boys are expected to 'stop, look and listen', boundaries, as well as being aware that our behaviour affects those around us. We want to continue to strive for a safe, fun, friendly and welcoming environment!



Noah & Zac building a 3D puzzle



Edson batting during a group game of cricket

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK AT OSHCLUB?

Next week we will be focusing on demonstrating 'Random Acts of Kindness' toward each other; it will be a great chance for the boys to further familiarise themselves with one another. Staff will be engaging children in friendship and team building games and activities, through this we hope the boys will continue to grow by learning the most appropriate ways to communicate with others. We will be discussing strategies to approach various situations; from including each other, playing by the rules and respecting one another's wins and losses.

February	Monday 9 th	Tuesday 10 th	Wednesday 11 th	Thursday 12 th	Friday 13 th
BEFORE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	The BSC Special – Kid's choice!	The BSC Special – Kid's choice!	The BSC Special – Kid's choice!	The BSC Special – Kid's choice!	The BSC Special – Kid's choice!
AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	Random Acts of Kindness Cards (Arts/crafts) Bin Ball (Group game)	A Recipe for Friendship (Arts/crafts) Mini Soccer (Group game)	Matching Friendship Jewels (Arts/crafts) Sharks & Islands (Group game)	Kind Messages (Arts/crafts) Group Signals (Group game)	Valentine's Day Cards (Arts/crafts) Mask Relays (Group game)
AFTERNOON TEA (We always provide a variety of fruits & vegetables)	Plain and/or Cheese Rice Crackers with a choice of Salsa	A choice of Vegemite, Cheese, Jam, and/or Honey Wholemeal Sandwiches	Vegetarian Spring Rolls with a choice of Soy Sauce and/or Sweet Chilli	Spinach & Cheese Puff Pastries	Tomato & Cheese Pasta Bake

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