

Program Update



Welcome to week 6 Oshclub families. Wow, is it me or does it seem like one blink of an eye and we are already half way through Term 1. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families and boys for what has been a wonderful first 6 weeks. The culture and atmosphere we try and promote at Oshclub has been flourishing with each afternoon feeling like a small community at Wyvern.



Again, I feel it is very important to update our new families, particularly our Kindergarten parents on the progress of their children at Oshclub. Please refer to the photos above for some amazing snapshots of what our Kindies have been up to. Week 6, and I have been soo impressed with the standard of these boys. Not only have they been diving into all our activities, the boys are socialising particualry well with the older boys. Our Kindergarten boys have no fear to play with the bigger boys, which is also a credit to our older boys encouraging successful participation of their younger peers.





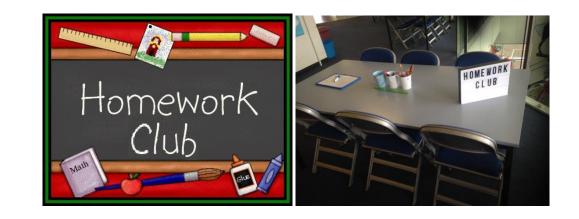
As for the rest of our Oshclub boys, it Is business as usual with some added twists. We have recently given a fresh face to our Oshclub space with some new decorations, signs and sport equipment, with each of this having influence for suggestions from our boys. New sport equipment, board games and new arts and craft supplies have been receieved soo well and even more impressive is the way our boys are treating their new additions. Additionally, we have added new food to our menu, again as a result of our boys input. It is soo important to have the voice of the boys heard within our program so any suggestions from boys regarding any aspect of Oshclub is fundemental.

Furthermore, as a side note to parents, it is imperative that an understanding of the way we run the program is succesfull transmitted to you and particualry some information for new parents. At Oshclub, we are about fun, safety, collaboration and learning. We understand the structured school day that the boys have just come from and hence we try as best as we can to have a relaxed and stress free program. However, it is improtant for parents to understand that our program each and every day is underpinned by fundemtnal learning frameworks inclduign My time our Place and the early years framework. These learning frameworks underpin the structure of our activitied and the type of skills we pormote at Oshclub. I have put the links to some of our frameworks we used below for any parents interested. http://files.acecqa.gov.au/files/National-Quality-Framework-Resources-Kit/my time our place framework for school age care in australia.pdf

http://files.acecqa.gov.au/files/National-Quality-Framework-Resources-Kit/belonging_being_and_becoming_the_early_years_learning_framework_for_australia.pdf

Have a lovely week 6 and 7 and I look forward to updating you of our progress in week 8.Please remember, do not ever hesistate to call, email or text through anything you need to know or communicate to us. Even if it is just feedback or ideas for the program, we love hearing for you and are very responsive.







This is a side note for parents. With the start of the new year comes the start of the struggle to ensure that all of the Homework gets done on such a busy schedule. Is your child tired when he gets home, forgot his homework at school, refuses to do it or gives you the millions of excuses we know too well? We try as best as we can to alleviate this stress at OSH buy offering homework club. We feel this is such a success due to the balance that happens. Boys are surrounded by other boys who are indulged in their homework and therefore there is an atmosphere of learning and motivation. From the moment boys arrive we have 30 minutes of homework time followed by food and group activities. This gives boys enough balance and incentive to finish homework and enjoy the rest of the afternoon. We ask all parents who wish for their son to do their homework at OSHClub to inform staff who will then ensure this gets

done. Any other requests regarding homework at aftercare, please feel free to discuss with any of our staff (they are in some amazing new OSHClub red shirts).



Booking Reminders

Thank you to all of our families who are remembering to book in regularly. This helps us maintain safe staff to child ratios and ensure we have plenty of food prepared for our hungry boys. We do understand that last minute events arise and for this reason we do accept drop ins. However if you know that you'll be needing one off care, please endeavour to book online the day prior to your ch attending the service. You have until midnight to book your child in for the following day. Should you need to mal late booking (attend on the day of), please SMS/phone the coordinator on 0428 131 700. If we are at capacity, we may need to inform you that we are unable to accept your child for the afternoon.

Should you have any issues regarding your online account; please contact our accounts team on 1300 395 735.

Late Collection of Children

At OSHClub Newington our afternoon sessions conclude at 6:00pm; children collected after this closing time will be charged \$2 per child per minute that you are late. If you are held up, please contact the program on 0428 131 700 as a courtesy to inform staff.

Contact Details

Parent Information

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All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at <u>www.oshclub.com.au</u> all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.