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GET READY FOR SPRING VACATION CARE

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We're thrilled to announce our upcoming Vacation Care program, filled with exciting excursions and popular incursions! Highlights include:

- Excursions: Koala Park, Nature Detective in Manly, Evolve Ninja, Gymnastics, and movies at Hoyts EQ
- Incursions: 9D Cinema, Jumping Castle, and Junior Builders Day
- Special Lunch Days:
 - Friday 9 October – Sausage sizzle provided
 - Monday 13 October –
 - Kindy–Year 2: MasterChef activity where children prepare their own lunch
 - Years 3–6: Lunch at The Cafe at the Round (children bring \$20 to purchase a meal)

This holiday, we're trialling a new model for our senior children (Years 3–6), offering age-specific excursions to support independence and responsibility. This initiative is based on feedback from families and children.

On Monday, 13 October, senior children will walk to Brett Park and enjoy lunch at the café—an opportunity to build budgeting and decision-making skills.

Reminders: Please pack a lunch (unless noted), a hat, a refillable water bottle, and ensure your child wears suitable clothing and footwear.





WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

Continuous Improvement:

We are committed to providing a safe, supportive, and enriching environment for all children attending our OSHC program. As part of our ongoing efforts to improve service quality and ensure the well-being of every child, we are implementing enhanced supervision practices.

These changes include:

- Age-appropriate groupings to better meet the developmental needs of children
- Increased staff presence during high-risk activities and excursions
- Clearer supervision zones to ensure children are always within sight and reach of educators
- Improved communication protocols between staff to support active supervision and quick response

These adjustments are based on feedback from families, staff, and children, and reflect our commitment to continuous improvement and child safety.

We appreciate your support and cooperation as we implement these changes. If you have any questions or would like to discuss these updates further, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Important Reminder: Absence Notification

To ensure the safety and well-being of all children in our care, we kindly request that parents and guardians notify the service of any planned or unplanned absences before and after school care. Timely communication saves us the time to follow up on absences and focus on the safety and supervision of children.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding.



OUR TEAM

The current team of hardworking staff are:
Rekha Moda (Program Manager)
Huon Saul (Assistant Program Manager)
Vanessa Pennino (Assistant Program Manager)
Educators: Rosetta, Jason, Kamala, Neelam
Casual Educators: Koen, Olivia G, Jacob, Olivia D, Xavier, Katalina, Jill, Hayden, Elena G, Ameilie, Gabby,



UPDATES:

Gowrie NSW at the Drummoyne Public School Fete

We were thrilled to be a major sponsor of the recent Drummoyne Public School Fete, held on a sunny Sunday filled with fun, laughter, and community spirit. It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces enjoying the festivities. A special congratulations to Emilie Rohmer, mum of Pia and Luca, who came closest in our Jellybean Guessing Competition with a guess of 1,001—just seven jellybeans shy of the actual count of 1,008!

Children delighted in our free balloon creations, expertly twisted into animals and imaginative shapes by our talented balloon artist. It was a joy to see their smiles and excitement throughout the day.



Thank you to everyone who came out and helped make the fete such a memorable event. We're proud to be part of this vibrant school community!

Farewell to Our OSHC General Manager, Narelle Howard

It is with mixed emotions that we announce the upcoming departure of our OSHC General Manager, Narelle Howard, from Gowrie NSW.

While Narelle may not have been a familiar face to our families each day, her impact behind the scenes has been profound. She has worked tirelessly to ensure our service remains fun, successful, and above all, safe. Her dedication, warmth, and unwavering support will be deeply missed by all of us.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Narelle and wish her every success in the next chapter of her journey. She will always be a cherished part of the Gowrie NSW family.

Fishy Friends!

We're delighted to officially welcome five new guppies to our Gowrie fish tank! These vibrant additions have already brought joy and curiosity to our learning environment. Located in the big demountable, the fish tank invites children from all year groups to observe the fish in their natural habitat and learn about aquatic life. With a rotating roster for feeding and cleaning, every child has the opportunity to take part in caring for our community pets—building responsibility, empathy, and teamwork.

The children have already begun noticing the unique personalities of each fish, sparking wonderful conversations and observations. We look forward to seeing how these new pets continue to enrich our environment.

