



Discovery Kids

Before and After School Care

NEWSLETTER

December 2019

Hi Everyone! WOW, we can't believe how quick this year has gone! What a wonderful year we have had, filled with lots of fun and joy. Vacation Care is just around the corner and we are very excited. It is going to be filled with lots of enjoyable and engaging activities that all the children will love.

A reminder that all VACATION CARE BOOKINGS and casual bookings are to be made via the My Family Lounge App which can be downloaded from the APP store. Visit our website www.discoverykidsoshc.com for more information on bookings or please do not hesitate to email us on

Our Lady of Good council- discoverykidsolgc@outlook.com or

Our Lady of Grace- discoverykidolg@outlook.com

Next year Discovery Kids will be expanding to 6 schools. We are very fortunate to be a part of the St Helena's, St Dominic's and Holy Spirit Communities. We look forward to getting to know these families and welcoming them into the Discovery Kids Family. We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!! We look forward to another year here at Discovery Kids in 2020.



Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation. Your children bless us with smiles and happy memories everyday. Wishing you all a very Merry and Holy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Jessica, Josephine and the
Discovery Kids Team



ON-SITE Mobile

If you need to contact the centre whilst your children are in care, the onsite mobile number is:

OLGC-0468992588

OLG-0452236918

The mobile will be in use during opening times 7-9am

2020 BOOKINGS

All permanent bookings will rollover for 2020. If you would like to make any changes to your child's bookings please ensure you do so before the 15th January to avoid the 2 weeks notice requirement.

Please update any changes to yours or your child's details via My Family Lounge.

Christmas time at Discovery Kids

Throughout December, the children have participated in lots of fun Christmas activities. We have been making angels, Christmas trees, salt dough ornaments and playing with our centre Nativity Set and lots of other fun filled Christmas activities. Keep a look out for all the goodies the children will be bringing home!!



Parents and Guardians,

We are currently reviewing the following Policies. We welcome any feedback you may have in regards to these. Please feel free to let us know or contact us via email if you wish to contribute.

Pg 124-125 Water Safety Policy

Pg 200-201 Withdrawal of a Child Policy

Pg 97-101 Work Health Safety Policy

Pg 201-203 Writing Reviewing and Maintaining Policies

Did you know?

The Christmas wreath is a symbol of love and eternal life.

DAILY REMINDERS

- ✓ A reminder to send hats and a water bottle for your child/children.
- ✓ Please do not forget to sign your child in and out. This is extremely important and a legal requirement!

A NEW ADDITION

We have a new addition to the Discovery Kids Family- Jessica and her husband Sammy, are expecting a baby girl in May 2020!! We look forward to meeting the new addition!!



REMEMBER TO
FOLLOW YOUR
CHILD'S PROGRESS ON
HOMEROOM



PARENT TIPS AND
HELPFUL INFORMATION
IS ALSO AVAILABLE
UNDER THE "PARENT"
Folder.

Staff

We farewell and welcome some new staff members to the team.

We sadly farewell Ariana from our Team. Ariana has been a valuable team member and she will be greatly missed. We wish her all the best as she embarks on her new journey. Lucy Cockman will be moving from Our Lady of Grace over to Holy Rosary to share her very kind and nurturing nature with this new community.

Louisa will continue as our much loved qualified at Our Lady of Good Counsel.

Kate Spillane, who many of you may have already met, will be the new Qualified Educator at St Helena's, Ellenbrook. We look forward to working together with Kate and we welcome Rebecca Carbone as the new qualified at Our Lady of Grace.

BOOKING REMINDERS

- ✓ Statements are sent out weekly, if you do not receive your statement please email discovery_kids@outlook.com and for all other booking inquiries
- ✓ Fees work on block times- BSC 7-9am \$25
- ✓ ASC 2.30-6pm \$35
- ✓ PERMANENT BOOKINGS - **7 days** notice is required to cancel a permanent booking to qualify for a 50% holiday rate OR to change to another day within that week
- ✓ CASUAL BOOKINGS - Once a booking is made we cannot cancel and refund your fees unless a change is made within 24 hours of the booking
- ✓ **REMINDER - UP TO DATE FEES**
Please ensure all fees are paid for and up to date

SUSTAINABILITY/ FAMILY/ COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT at Discovery Kids

Keep an eye out on HOMEROOM for all the fun and interesting recycling activities over Vacation Care.



Community Services

The City of Stirling provides a range of services, strategies and programs to connect, educate, inform and support all members of our community. Visit <https://www.stirling.wa.gov.au/services-and-support/community-support> for more details as there are lots of community services available.



Child protection practices

Priority of Access Guidelines for Child Care Services

https://www.dss.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/07_2015/instruction_sheet_10_-_priority_of_access_guidelines_for_child_care_services.pdf



Importance of hand washing



IMMUNISATION FOR PARENTS

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:

<https://campaigns.health.gov.au/immunisationfacts>



Favourite Recipe of the month at Discovery Kids **Blueberry muffins**

Ingredients

- Pre butter cake mix (1 packet makes 10)
- 2 eggs
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of melted butter
- Half a cup of frozen blueberries



Method

1. Pre-heat the oven to 180 degrees
2. Combine all ingredients into a bowl
3. Line muffin tray with patty pans/grease
4. Scoop cake mix into trays
5. Cook for about 20-25 minutes
6. Serve up and enjoy!

Sun Smart

Download the Sun Smart App which gives you advice/information on sun protection for you and your family. Remember to always wear a hat and sunscreen!

