



Discovery OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE Kids



DECEMBER/JANUARY/FEBRUARY

Dear Parents,

Welcome to 2024! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year break. Good luck to all the Year 6s moving onto high school and welcome to all our new families joining us this year. We look forward to having your children at our service.

We had an amazing time with your children during Vacation Care. Some of our exciting incursions and excursions included Bounce, Nostalgia Box, Scitech and Zone Bowling. Check out our daily posts on Homeroom to see all the fun we had over the holidays. If you have any suggestions for incursions or excursions for the next Vacation Care period we would love to hear from you. Email us at: discovery_kids@outlook.com

Lost Property:

As you can imagine, we have accumulated a lot of lost clothing and items from the children over Vacation Care, with the large number of children attending Discovery Kids each week it is very easy for items to go missing and be left behind, especially if it is not labelled clearly with your family name. Feel free to ask our staff to check the lost property box at each centre and please check that you have the correct items otherwise, please return to the rightful owner or back to the centre.

CLOSING DATES:

Discovery Kids OSHC will be closed for the following Public Holidays:

Labour Day on Monday the 4th of March

Good Friday on Friday the 29th of March

Easter Monday on Monday the 1st of April

OTHER KEY DATES:

Ramadan - Sunday the 10th of March - Monday the 18th of March

St Patrick's Day - Monday the 18th of March

Homeless Cook - Wednesday the 6th of March

Harmony Week - Wednesday 20th - Tuesday the 26th of March

Wishing you all the best for the rest of the term!

The Discovery Kids Team

DAILY REMINDERS

- ✓ A reminder to send a spare hat and a water bottle for your child/children.
- ✓ If your details have changed please update them via "My Family Lounge" App
- ✓ Please ensure that your child takes the correct belongings home at the end of the day and that they are labelled with their full name eg. Jackets, hats
- ✓ Please do not forget to sign your child in and out. This is extremely important and a legal requirement!

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DISCOVERY KIDS: CENTRE INFORMATION

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Karrinyup
Monday to Thursday | Ph: 0414 691 161
Before School Care 7-9am | After School Care 2:30-6pm

Holy Rosary, Doubleview
Monday to Friday | Ph: 0410 656 534
Before School Care 7-9am | After School Care 2:30-6pm

St Helena's, Ellenbrook
Monday to Friday | Ph: 0468 992 588
Before School Care 7-9am | After School Care 2:30-6pm

St Luke's, Woodvale
Monday to Friday | Ph: 0452 236 918
Before School Care 7-9am | After School Care 2:30-6pm

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 \$28
ASC 2.30-6pm \$38

✓ PERMANENT BOOKINGS - 2 weeks notice is required to cancel a permanent booking and 7 days notice is required 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 - Please ensure fees are paid for and up to date

Parents and Guardians

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

- ✓ Acceptance & Refusal of Authorisations Policy
- ✓ Additional Needs Policy
- ✓ Administration of Medication Policy
- ✓ Adventurous Play Policy
- ✓ Anaphylaxis Management Policy
- ✓ Animal Policy
- ✓ Anti-Bias and Inclusion Policy
- ✓ Administration of First Aid Policy
- ✓ Arrival & Departure of Children Policy
- ✓ Behaviour Guidance Policy
- ✓ Bullying Discrimination & Harassment Policy
- ✓ Celebrations Policy
- ✓ Child Protection Policy
- ✓ Child Safe Environment Policy
- ✓ Children's Belongings Policy
- ✓ Clothing Policy



Homeroom

Follow your child's progress on Homeroom. We love sharing photos of the day with our Discovery Kids Families!

Check your emails for a joining link. If you have not received one, get in contact with your centre's Coordinator.



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Vacation Care



New Year Clear Out with Upparel

Next time you do a cupboard clear out use UPPAREL. Textile waste needs radical intervention now. We need to dramatically extend product life and stop textiles from going to landfill. We need to move mountains, not make more.

Go to UPPAREL and book your pickup. Simply choose your weight and how many boxes you need collected. upparel.com.au



Plank Race

Short simple activities to get some active minutes in the day.

Plank Race. Everyone gets in a plank position along a horizontal line. On the "GO" command, the person in the back stands up and runs to the front of the line. As soon as this person gets back in a plank position, he screams "GO," and the next person in the back of the line gets up and runs to the front. Since it's a race, you have to mark the time at the first "go." Then you mark it again, the time when you covered the whole distance, and someone's head touches the farthest wall. Whatever time you've got, make sure that the next time you do this race, you beat it! A fun variation is when the person who moved from the back of the line gives the front person a high five before getting in a plank. So that would be a one-hand-plank for a few moments? Yep, but you can do it!



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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

THE BEST SUPER SOFT GINGERBREAD PLAYDOUGH

INGREDIENTS

1 cup of flour	1 tbs cream of tartar
½ cup of salt	1 tbs vegetable oil
1 cup of water	3 tbs pumpkin pie spice

METHOD

1. Measure out all ingredients together with your child.
2. Dump all the dry ingredients into a saucepan first and stir together. Add wet ingredients and mix together.
3. Stir continuously over medium heat until it forms a ball.
4. Take it off the heat and dump it onto parchment paper or wax paper, once it's cool to touch knead it and help make the dough smooth.
5. Use cookies cutters, buttons, wooden trinkets and create make believe gingerbread man or anything you like.
6. Keep fresh in an airtight container.

Have fun!

FAMILY INPUT

At Discovery Kids we value everybody's opinion. If you have any input about activities, projects, the program, menu ideas of anything else that you would like to see happen at Discovery Kids please let us know via email, phone or speak to any of our staff members.

RAISING CHILDREN

This is a wonderful website funded by the Australian Government that provides parenting resources ranging from newborns to teenagers. This site is designed for families and has many videos, strategies and articles to support you and your family. You will find everything from health and nutrition advice, family life and behaviour guidance.



WHATS ON IN PERTH!

<https://www.weekendnotes.com/perth/>



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Homeless Cook

Thank you so much for all your donations last year. Together with the OLGC Kitchen (Parents and community), we were able to provide the homeless with 1200 meals last year!

Please look out for updates on when we will be collecting food donations for our homeless cooks this year. We hope this year will be as successful as the last.



JUST FOR LAUGHS

Q: How do we know that the ocean is friendly?

A: It waves.



DID YOU KNOW?

Owls can't move their eyeballs!



SCAN THE QR CODES TO VIEW OUR POLICIES
PARTICULARLY RELEVANT TO VACATION CARE:



BEHAVIOUR POLICY



VACATION CARE CANCELLATION POLICY

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for children 2-5 years old

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