NORMANHURST WEST OOSH TERM 2 2021 NEWSLETTER

What an amazing Term it has been! Our educators have loved welcoming our families back into our main room as well as fostering the children's growing independence with the easing of COVID restrictions.

We are so proud of how well our children and their families continue to handle changing routines and requirements. We thank you for your continuous support during this time.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday (Centre Closed): Monday 14 June

Deadline for Early Bird Vacation Care Bookings: Thursday 17 June

Last Day Term 1: Friday 25 June

Start Winter Vacation Care: Monday 28 June

Last Day Winter Vacation Care: Monday 12 July

First Day Term 3: Tuesday 13 July



NWOOSH SUBCOMMITTEE

The OOSH is one of the many services run by our school P&C Association. As such, we are always looking for new volunteers who are interested in joining the sub-committee to help support OOSH operations. The Sub-committee meets once a term, in week 5. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Roz at director@nwoosh.com.au or the P&C at secretary@nwpspc.org.au.

COVID-19 PICK UP AND DROP OFF PROCEDURES

It has been wonderful to welcome our families back into our OOSH room and environment. Here are some reminders about our most recent drop off and pick up procedures. All parent sign-in and out takes place in the main oosh room. As children are reminded to wash hands on entry, we recommend saying goodbye as you enter the room when dropping off at before school care, prior to signing in your child. If you only have children in years 4, 5 or 6 and can see children in the SKOOSH room at the end of our block on pickup, you are welcome to go directly to the room to sign out and collect your child. Children will usually be in the SKOOSH room between 4:30pm and 5:15pm.

Please remember to adhere to 1.5m distancing with all other Parents, Educators, and additional adults. If the main room is busy, upon signing your child out, please feel free to proceed out to the playground to collect your child, or alternatively wait on the front ramp. Our friendly Educators can assist you in knowing the best place to find your child. We have multiple entrances into the school that can all be utilised to proceed through for signing out and collecting your child. Sign out can take place in either the main oosh room or SKOOSH room, or in some instances with a supervisor in the playground. Please remember to utilise the hand sanitiser prior to using any of the touchscreens to sign in/out your child.

We appreciate your assistance, and are loving the opportunity to connect again with our families. Please approach our Educators if you have any questions.. **Please note: the items in the preschool playground do not belong to NWOOSH.** We would greatly appreciate your assistance with ensuring yourself and your children remain on the marked pathway.

UPDATED BREAKFAST & AFTERNOON TEA SERVING PROCEDURES

In line with the easing of Covid restrictions in the school environment, the children are now self serving breakfast using our breakfast bar, which is setup on top of the blue benches near the TV. An educator is stationed at the breakfast bar to help the children with this process. If your child will be eating breakfast at NWOOSH, please assist us in ensuring they are at the centre by **7:50AM.**

In addition, during after school care, children are now self serving their own afternoon tea and late snack, where appropriate. Again, an Educator is positioned at the food service area to assist in this task. We are enjoying scaffolding the children's growing independence through this new process.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND SAFETY WEEK

During week 5 we held our Termly Safety Week. During this week, we completed our Emergency procedure rehearsals - a regulated requirement, and also focused on general safety at the centre. As a follow up, in Week 8 we will be welcoming representatives from the Cancer Council to talk to the children about the importance of sun safety. The Centre's Emergency procedures are available view at the entrances for each room used by the centre as well as in our policies and procedures document available on our website. We would like to thank you for your patience during this time. For more information and insight feel free to check out the Kinderloop app!

WINTER VACATION CARE 2021

The school holidays are fast approaching and our educators have planned an amazing vacation care program for the children based on their feedback from previous Vacation Care surveys. Bookings are now open online, and you can view our program on our <u>Facebook page</u>. **Please** book early - unfortunately last holidays we were unable to accommodate all families due to late bookings, and we don't want you to miss out! We hope you can join us!

HENNY PENNY CHICKS

This term we welcomed back our Henny Penny chicks! We are so proud of how wonderfully the children cared for our little visitors! The children demonstrated their sincere respect for the environment as well as learning about the life cycle of chickens. As chicks with different coloured feathers hatched the children reflected on their own families and genes and diversity in the NWOOSH environment. Check out our hatchlings!



LOST PROPERTY

As the weather cools down our Educators notice an increase in the amount of lost property collected, particularly jumpers . Please ensure all of your child/ren's items are labelled CLEARLY with their full name/s. Please also ensure all second-hand items are labelled with the current owners name. We also wish to remind you all to refer your children to the visual checklist located at the exit of the main room upon departure of an OOSH session.



Is your child going to be absent from NWOOSH? Don't forget to let us know!

You can advise NWOOSH of your child's absence by logging on to the online system by midday the day prior, or by calling or emailing the Centre on (02) 94844412 & oosh@nwoosh.com.au

Please Note: NWOOSH must be advised separately to the school!

<u>A Non-Notification Fee of \$15.00 may be charged for failing</u> <u>to notify the Centre by the required time each session.</u>

LATE PICK UP FEE

NWOOSH closes for care at 6:15pm. If you are running late to collect your child/ren please call to notify our Educators as soon as possible. If you collect your child after 6:15pm, you may be charged a late collection fee of \$1.00 per minute to cover the cost of the staff who need to stay at the centre with your child.



PRIVACY, CONFIDENTIALITY AND HANDLING

OF COMPLAINTS

Please remember that parents / carers are not permitted to approach other children whilst at the Centre. Any concerns, including behaviour, should be raised directly with the NWOOSH team allowing any issues to be dealt with in line with the appropriate guidelines. To raise concerns or provide feedback, please discuss with Responsible Person on Duty at the centre, or you can raise matter directly with the OOSH Management Committee by emailing the centre (oosh@nwoosh.com.au) with your best contact details." Please note: Any action taken by parents that compromise the safety and privacy of the children in care at the Centre could be deemed a breach in Child Protection Regulations and may be reported to the appropriate authorities.

COMMUNITY CORNER

Resident Tree Collection Saturday 10 July 2021 9:30AM-12:30PM

Location: Hornsby Community Nursery, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills Event cost: Free

Website: http://trees.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/ Residents are invited to collect up to five (5) native trees from Council's Community Nursery, Pennant Hills. Staff will be available to assist residents with selections.

Lorna Pass & Scout Creek bushwalk, Thornleigh Sunday 18 July 9:00AM-12:30PM

Book Online:

https://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/lifestyle/events/bushwalks/Lorna-Pass-and-Scout-Creek-bushwalk,-Thornleigh

Location: Meeting place details given upon booking confirmation,

Event cost: Free



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	Monday 28th June	Tuesday 29th June	Wednesday 30th June	Thursday 1st July	Friday 2nd July	
	MOVIES	PETTING ZOO	TREETOPS	BALLSPORT DRILLS	CHRISTMAS IN JULY	
	It's back! Today we will be returning to Event Cinemas Hornsby for a screening of ' <i>Spirit</i> <i>Untamed'.</i> We hope you can join us! Early Bird: \$82	Did you love visiting the Zoo and meeting our Henny Penny Chicks? Today we have our very own petting zoo coming to NWOOSH! You don't want to miss this! Early Bird: \$74	It's a NWOOSH favourite! Today we are heading back to Tree Tops in Abbotsbury to take on their amazing courses! Children 8 yrs+ will complete the older course! Early Bird: \$99	Are you a future star? Today we will have a day of Netball and Basketball fun with a visit from Netball NSW in the morning, and basketball fun with Blake in the afternoon! Early Bird: \$68	Have you been dreaming of a White Christmas? Today we will embrace the Australian winter weather with a day of all things Christmas! LUNCH PROVIDED Early Bird: \$55	
	Regular Rate: \$88	Regular Rate: \$80	Regular Rate: \$105	Regular Rate: \$74	Regular Rate: \$61	0
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	Monday 5th July	Tuesday 6th July	Wednesday 7th July	Thursday 8th July	Friday 9th July	
	GO KARTS	NATURE ADVENTURE	NWOOSH OLYMPICS	STARDUST CIRCUS	PJS & PINATAS!	
	On your mark, get set, GO!!! We are SO excited for this day. You will get to ride your very own GO KART around the inflatable track! Will you win? Early Bird: \$74 Regular Rate:\$80	Join us for a great outdoors adventure in Clifton Gardens with Ranger Jamie Tours! Today you will enjoy fishing, bug catching, sand sculptures and animal habitats! Early Bird: \$94 Regular Rate: \$100	Will you win a GOLD medal?! Today we will be spending the day in centre enjoying our very own Olympics! Wear old clothes, today will end with a colour run victory parade! LUNCH PROVIDED Early Bird: \$66 Regular Rate: \$72	You asked, we delivered! We are heading back to the CIRCUS today! You don't want to miss this thrilling adventure. Early Bird: \$95 Regular Rate: \$101	It's a PARTY! We will spend the day at the centre enjoying all things that begin with "P". Get ready to enjoy a day of fun, comfort and yummy treats! Early Bird: \$50 Regular Rate: \$56	
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Monday 12th July

BLAXLAND RIVERSIDE

It's the last day of the holidays, so today we will be heading to Blaxland Riverside Park to enjoy the winter sunshine and the amazing equipment! Will you choose the flying fox or the viking swing?

> Early Bird: \$75 Regular Rate: \$81

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Early Bird Prices are available until midnight 17th June. All bookings from 18th June onwards will be charged at the regular rate, and are subject to availability. For planning purposes, after 17th June no cancellations will be accepted.