



Discovery

OUT OF SCHOOL
HOURS CARE

Kids



JULY/AUGUST

Dear Parents,

We hope your children enjoyed Term 3! We have some exciting activities planned for your children during this Vacation Care including going to the movies to watch Transformers, getting messy with Tinker and Co and having a tour at Optus Stadium. We are also going to be skating around with our friends at Rollerdrome! Check out our daily posts on Homeroom to see all the fun we have 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 the term, 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.

KEY DATES:

Diwali - Thursday 31st of October
Grandparent's Day - Sunday 27th of October
Remembrance Day - Monday 11th of November

CLOSURE DATES

Friday 20th of December - Monday the 6th of December

Wishing you all the best!

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 \$30
ASC 2.30-6pm \$40

✓ 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.

- ✓ In-service and Staff Development Policy
- ✓ Interactions with Children Family and Staff Policy
- ✓ Lockdown Policy
- ✓ Make-up Day Policy
- ✓ Management Committee Policy
- ✓ Medical Conditions Policy
- ✓ Probation Induction and Orientation Policy
- ✓ Multicultural Religious Beliefs Policy
- ✓ Nappy Change & Toileting Policy
- ✓ Non-English Speaking Background Policy
- ✓ Nutrition & Food Safety Policy
- ✓ Open Door Policy
- ✓ Orientation Policy for Families
- ✓ Payment of Fees Policy
- ✓ Rest Time Policy (OSHC only)
- ✓ Educator and Management 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 or scan the QR code for your child's centre on the last page of this newsletter.



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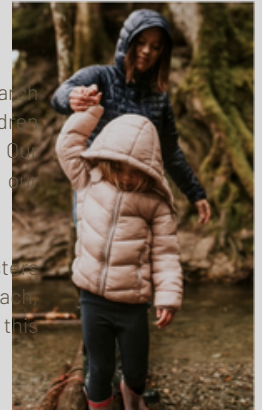
Vacation Care



Embrace Nature for a Better Tomorrow

As we confront human-induced climate change, bridging the gap between humanity and nature is crucial. Research consistently shows that reconnecting with nature enhances our overall well-being, benefiting both adults and children alike. If you've experienced the rejuvenating effects of time spent outdoors, you understand its profound impact. Our well-being encompasses physical and mental health, our sense of purpose, connections with others, and our environment. Yet, amidst busy lives and the allure of technology, we often overlook these vital connections.

It's imperative to cultivate our children's relationship with the environment. Exploring nature together fosters environmental awareness and encourages sustainable behaviours. Whether hiking in the woods, playing on the beach or swimming in a lake, these simple activities instil a deep appreciation and respect for our world. By nurturing this connection, we empower the next generation to value and protect nature, ensuring a brighter future for all. Let's prioritize nature and nurture a sustainable future together.



Where to Next?

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

HOW TO PLAY: This game is best played outdoors, in an open area with different landmarks or locations that children can run to. On small pieces of paper write down the names of different landmarks in the vicinity, i.e., the fence, goal post, a tree, swing... Put the pieces of paper in a small bag that can be carried as you run. One child pulls out a piece of paper and reads the location. Then they all have to run to that location. Once everyone reaches the destination, a different child pulls out another piece of paper, and you all run again.



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RECIPE OF THE MONTH PSYLLIUM HUSK SLIME

PREP 5 MINS | COOK 5 MINS | PLAY

This psyllium husk slime recipe is a great non-toxic alternative to glue slime, and it is easy to make with psyllium husk. It is lovely for children who enjoy sensory play or creating different types of slime. It is also taste-safe, so it is fine for younger children, or children who tend to put things in their mouths. It has a nice texture and usually isn't very sticky if it is cooked enough.

INGREDIENTS

- 3 Tablespoons of psyllium husk
- 2 Cups of water
- 3-5 drops of food colouring

METHOD

- Combine all ingredients in a pot.
- Cook it on the stove.
- Heat slowly and stir continuously. It will gradually form into a piece of slime at which point you can take it off the heat. Children can play with it once it has cooled.

Enjoy! (Source: www.playofthewild.com)



The Great Race

This year for our team building event we all participated in The Great Race. We had a great time running around the city completing all the challenges.

JUST FOR LAUGHS

Q: What do dentists call their x-rays?

A: **Tooth pics!**



DID YOU KNOW?

An average yawn lasts six seconds long!

DONATIONS FOR TINY TOTS

Our Discovery Kids ELC in Balcatta is a collection point for Little Things for Tiny Tots. We are always seeking donations and we appreciate any items your family are able to contribute.

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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