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# Newsletter Term 3, 2020

**OSHC** Friends,

This term has been an interesting one, with lots of changes in the way we do things to help keep our community safe and healthy. We have started welcoming our children into several spaces to reduce the number of children all in one place. This has worked very well and we would like to extend our thanks to the teachers who have graciously accepted our presence in their rooms on bell

New sign in and out procedures have also been initiated. Thank you to everyone for their patience and support as we navigate our way around safety protocols.

Our annual general meeting was held early this term after having been postponed. It was a great success, and we are looking forward to holding more meetings via Zoom. Thanks to our elected management committee for their ongoing help and support. We are pleased to announce that for the first time in a long time, our service no longer has an afternoon waiting list! So please feel free to add new bookings via the webserver.

This term we have also been lucky enough to welcome a new team member, James. James is a natural fit to our team and has a keen interest in sport and the arts. We are looking forward to his hopefully long and happy relationship with EHOSHC. Welcome James!



Our newest team member, James.

This term, OSHC held a working bee for the educators to revamp the school garden in time for Spring planting. We worked hard all day, and the results were really great. We edged the area, spread gravel, weeded, re-soiled, composted and mulched!

Thank you to our educators, Zoe and Mia who are in charge of all things "garden".



The Garden looking fabulous!



In term 3 our program has continued to be fun, engaging and

child focussed. Our educators work hard to ensure the needs,

wants and requirements of the children in our care are catered

Creative sandpit play with Charlotte



I bet our dads were pleased with their Father's Day cards. Good work Smyan & Tara!

#### **PROGRAM**

Through regular evaluation, our program continues to change in order to support the needs of our children. Our Term 3 2020 programmed activities were as follows:

AM:

Monday: Music morning Tuesday: Healthy Start Wednesday: Mindful morning

Thursday: Story Time (This term we have continued with The

Magic Faraway Tree and stories from Jordan)

Friday: Flashback Friday

Monday: Big Fat Split (Children in lots of different locations)

Tuesday: Sport

Wednesday: World Aware Thursday: Creative and Crafty Friday: Movie and electronics





#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Please note that Re-enrolments commence in week 1 of term 4, at which point you will be required to log in to our webserver and lodge your online 2021 re-enrolment, pay your 2021 membership fee and request your bookings. In these uncertain times, we are not sure as to whether we are looking at a waiting list for 2021. Parents should also note that all families will be required to sign up to direct debit for 2021 enrolments as EHOSHC's only form of payment.

We have recently conducted our annual OSHC family survey. The information we gather from such surveys is important for our team to ascertain the needs, wants and requirements of our community. Please look out for the publishing of the survey results and how we intend to move forward in light of our findings.



Vivaan and his Rainbow Rain-cloud

We have recently introduced our new touchscreen system. It is a web-based system that we are pleased to say everyone has gotten used to very quickly! Please ensure you signal to one of our team if you are not sure as to whether you have correctly signed in or out. Please also be reminded to ensure you are using your correct login which is unique to you, as our rolls must be accurate.



Masa's famous blind-mindful-cooking adventures!



A frisbee full of grass is worth two in the bush...



Aviana and her very cross-looking shark!

#### **VACATION CARE**

The next vacation care will be during the spring holiday period. It looks as though it will be another wonderful program. As with all our programs we would love your feedback, please let us know how you and your kids enjoy our programs by emailing us at the centre.

**IMPORTANT**: PLEASE ensure you have read all the pertinent information regarding the vacation care program.

OUR VACATION CARE PLANNING CONTINUES TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN IN OUR CARE AND WILL REMAIN IN-CENTRE ONLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. ALL OUR ACTIVITIES AND EXTERNAL PROVIDERS HAVE HAD RISK ASSESSMENTS CONDUCTED AND CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBSITE.

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