



Message from the CEO

Hello and welcome to the new look edition of the OSHClub Newsletter! We'll be writing to you each month to keep you up-to-date on all things OSHClub, and to share news from our service teams across Australia, and overseas.

It's hard to believe it's already May, and Term 2 is upon us! As the weather starts to cool down, the adventures we are bringing to our families are warming up more and more each month. I'm sure you will have seen the brand-new 'Rise then Shine' and 'Stay and Play' program announcements at your school. If you haven't seen them, reach out to your service coordinator who will be happy to give you a tour. Of course you're always welcome to join in the fun too!

In other very exciting news, from 10 July this year Outside School Hours Care fees will be more affordable for most families, and more families will

become eligible for the subsidy as part of the Australian Government initiative.

Our team are here to help with any questions you have about the change, including providing guidance on how much more rebate on your fees you could be eligible for as part of the change. I'm so excited not only about the positive impact this will have on cost-of-living pressures for our families, but also because more children will have the opportunity to experience our enriching programs, and the OSHClub difference in our schools.

I welcome your feedback and contribution to this newsletter (and anything else!), so please don't hesitate to drop me a note at mel@junioradventuresgroup.com.au any time.

Stay safe and keep having fun everybody.



Mel Crole,
CEO Junior Adventures Group
Australia



Introducing the "Adventure Program"

At OSHClub we have always loved being an integral part of helping children stay active and social, but now there are even more reasons to come and join in the fun before and after school.

In February this year, we launched the "Adventure Program" to our daily routines. Instead of Before School Care and After School Care we are proud to instead offer our children the chance to 'Rise then Shine' in the morning, and 'Stay and Play' in the afternoon.

Why the change? As the world around us has changed, so too has our commitment to playing a vital role in children's wellbeing.

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Key dates 2023

22 MAY

Zen Masters launches

15-21 MAY

National Families Week

27 MAY-3 JUN

National Reconciliation Week

15 JUN

New play category Global Kids launches

10 JUL

Changes to Child Care Subsidies

#sharethejoy

To celebrate our JAG family of services, each month we'll be sharing some of our favourite adventures from Australia, and across the globe. Will your school be the next to be featured?



Introducing the “Adventure Program” (continued)

We understand how important morning routine is to set children up for a successful day at school. We also know how challenging the afternoons and evenings can be after a full day of work and school commitments.

The “Adventure Program” offers more than just care for kids; it's a well thought through program that balances the needs of children to enjoy food, be nurtured, take rest, and (the part kids love the most), make time to PLAY!

Because the OSHClub is part of Junior Adventures Group, we have exclusive access to all the new “Adventures” as they are launched. So far, our kids and coordinators have been enjoying the “Flavour Fest” and “Super Sports” adventures, with more to be rolled out each term. This month, “Zen Masters” will be coming to your school.

From yoga to random acts of kindness, we practice skills and exercises to promote happiness, mindfulness and wellbeing that balances the mind and body. We love it because in a busy world, we could all make more room for mindfulness. And because we can't wait to see our mini yogis interpreting the “Zen Masters” Adventure!

Helping Hands Network - Calliope

Using recycled materials to make arts and crafts projects has been popular at Helping Hands Network Calliope. As part of the 'Stay & Play' afternoon program, children created bottle top star artwork.



OSHClub - Beaumont Road

Turns out baking with friends and making gingerbread people is a winning combination. Trying new recipes together at OSHClub Beaumont Road during our 'Stay & Play' after school program.



OSHClub - John Wollaston

School grown fruit! As part of “Flavour Fest”, our team at OSHClub John Wollaston grew their own watermelons. Tasty and nutritious fun for everyone.



Creating environments where playfulness can thrive

Community and partnerships

Focusing on happy and healthy children to support families is something that we take great pride in at OSHClub.

That's why we are excited to partner with Families Australia this year to celebrate their annual National Families Week. Held between May 15 to May 21 each year, NFW celebrates the vital role that families play in our community. This year our CEO for JAG Australia, Mel Crole, will be a speaker on the Department of Social Services Panel for NFW.

The panel discussion on Thursday 18 May is a great opportunity for us to discuss the important role that we play in supporting our families and the education sector.

JAG is committed to supporting families and via our membership to Families Australia and we hope you can join one of the fantastic NFW sessions to hear positive and uplifting discussions dedicated to celebrating families.



To learn more, visit the National Families Week website:

www.nfw.org.au

DID YOU KNOW?

From 10 July 2023, child care will be cheaper for most families.

Even more children can enjoy our range of exciting adventures at OSHClub as more families will be eligible to take advantage of the CSS. And the CCS even extends to holiday programs, so opportunities to access care are flexible and varied.

Speak to your Service Coordinator for more information.



Service updates

Does your school have any Pupil Free Days or Curriculum Days this term? Would you like OSHClub to share info packs with you for your Prep Days for Terms 3 and 4?

Sharing your school calendar with our team in advance helps us to tailor our support to meet your school needs.

Whether it's helping you to explain our 'Rise then Shine' and 'Stay & Play' before and after school programs to new parents, or creating communications that are aligned on Pupil Free Days if OSHC services are running, we can ensure the smoothest possible service provision.

Reach out to your Service Coordinator for more information.

News from abroad

You mightn't know yet, but at OSHClub we are part of a big team in the Australian Junior Adventures Group family.

Our family also extends overseas to New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and a recent addition to Junior Adventures Group - Ireland!

It's almost a day's flight away, but our mission to keep kids happy and nurtured knows no bounds, and we look forward to learning from our Irish counterparts, as well as sharing our passion for helping children feel connected and active that comes from being a part of OSHClub.



Welcome to the family, Sherpa Kids Ireland!