



LNPS VAC CARE NEWSLETTER

vacation care information

APRIL 2015

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank you all and the children for making this Vacation Care another great one. It takes hard work and determination to run a quality service.

During the April 2015 Vacation Care Program, the students engaged in a variety of fun and exciting indoor and outdoor activities.

The students were involved in four excursions: The Odeon Theatre and playground at Semaphore, St. Kilda Playground, 'Team time' and gym jamming at Marion Leisure Centre, The Adelaide Oval and the Botanical Gardens.

We also had some memorable visitors attend the service, they included: A party host who was skilled in balloon creatures and fairy floss making! and a trained soccer player from the Soccer Academy.

New Fee Structure:

Parents/ caregivers please note that due to increases in costs the service is required to put a fee increase into place during the upcoming June 2015 Vacation Care. Families that are eligible will still receive their rebates (CCB and CCR) through Centerlink. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any further enquiries.

Vacation Care Program: Vacation Care booklets will be available on Monday 1st June from our website, the front office and OSHC room. The last day for bookings will be Friday 26th June 2015.

We would love to hear your thoughts on our most recent Vacation Care Program. Please forward any feedback or suggestion to the

Director **Via email : Maria.Morello708@schools.sa.edu.au**

I would also like to say thank you to all of the educators for their hard work and support through these holidays and for those educators who have implemented activities. They have done a fantastic job!

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Diary Dates

- ☺ Monday 1st June- Vac Care booklets available
- ☺ Friday 26th June- final day to book in for Vac Care
- ☺ Friday 3rd July -End of Term 2 school holidays
- ☺ Monday 6th July Vacation Care commences
- ☺ Friday 17th July - End of Vac care
- ☺ Monday 20th July - First day of Term 3 2015 .

Payments:

Parents are asked to use the red & white envelopes provided and place in the locked letter-box (located in the OSHC room) to make payments. The children are our first priority and we must ensure there is adequate supervision at all times meaning that we are not always able to leave the floor to take payments. Alternative payment options are Bizgate or by phone during office hours.

If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to call us on 84435308 or 0411236014.

Thank you
Maria Morello
Director



Here are some examples of the excursions and in-days we have had during the April school holidays!



Party Day:

A very busy day with so many activities to be involved in during party day! Some children chose to dress up as different characters, some even with props!

The children were treated to many tasty treats such as fairy floss and popcorn where the children were able to see the food being made with the proper machines!

Face painting was very popular with all of the children, some even painting each other as well as coming up with new designs and inspiration. The children used dress ups, wigs, coloured hair spray and make up to transform themselves into party characters! Balloon animals and creatures were made by the party host which inspired dramatic play and social interactions.



Soccer Academy:

The children were taught basic soccer skills such as kicking, dribbling, running sideways, changing direction with the ball etc. Many running games were used as well as ball drills to help encourage co-ordination and soccer skills.

The children then took turns playing mini games of soccer. It was a nice sunny day with great opportunities for team work communication skills, fitness and fun!





St. Kilda Playground:

On Tuesday the 14th of April we ventured off to the St. Kilda playground for exploration and fun! A very large area to cover with many different experiences including an old ship, large castle like climbing frames, numerous metal slides, flying foxes, spider webs, swings, boardwalks, trails, sand pits and large grassy areas perfect for burning off energy!

The children were divided into groups so everyone could visit each area with enough time for exploring considering we had an extremely large group! Luckily the weather held out and provided enough sunshine for the day.



Gardening Day:

The children decorated their planter pots with paints, textures and craft materials before getting their hands dirty with some soil and seeds during our gardening experience on Wednesday the 15th April. There was a wide range of seeds on offer including herbs and flowers.

Garden Cup Cakes:

In the afternoon there was a gardening theme, using our green thumbs for inspiration to use as culinary skills. The children were involved in baking cup cakes and then decorating them to resemble little flowers using lollipops, mint leaves and chocolate sprinkles. Delicious!!!



Adelaide Oval:

On Monday the 20th of April we took a short bus ride into the city to visit the Adelaide Oval. We watched a brief historical video about the history of the oval including cricket and football memories as well as special events that have taken place there. Soon after, we split into four groups to explore our magnificent structures and sights from all around the ground. We were very excited to see the views from far and above including the old scoreboard, coaches boxes, media rooms, and even the changing rooms and coach's rooms where they talk to the players!



The Botanical Gardens:

After our tour at the Adelaide oval we took another quick bus ride to the Botanical Gardens. We began with a picnic on the grass and some quick team games before splitting into groups and exploring the gardens. We visited the green house and large Lily Room. We were lucky to have beautiful sunny weather and well behaved children! Great work team!