

June 2025

RE: St Mel's Uniting OSHC

Dear Families,

We are excited to announce that Uniting Vic Tas, will be the new provider of Outside School Hours Care at St Mel's Primary School, commencing Term 3, 2025, 28th of July.

From this date, we will be offering a comprehensive **After School Care** program, along with **Vacation Care** during the upcoming term break. Our OSHC service is designed to provide a safe, engaging, and inclusive environment where children can enjoy fun activities, form friendships, and thrive outside of school hours.

We are proud to bring together a passionate team of experienced educators, led by a dedicated Service Leader, Veronica Bowman, who we are so pleased to welcome into our Uniting community. Our team is committed to delivering high-quality care that supports each child's individual needs and interests, while working in partnership with families and the school community.

Our operational hours are:

After School Care- Monday to Friday 3:30pm-6pm

Vacation Care – Monday to Friday 8am-5pm. (Bookings open, closer to the end of term 3).

If you would like to join our program, please follow the below link to register:

<https://www.xap.rocks/waiting-list?organisationId=f55ee602-f42c-436c-a87a-0a13cebfd7b1&providerId=1a2671b6-37e2-44b2-8e82-068bfe957b89>

Please note that, we received advice from the Federal Government that, due to the transfer of service approval from, our Child Care Subsidy (CCS) won't become active until our first official day of operation.

As a result, we will be **pausing all direct debits** until the CCS is successfully linked to our service in our childcare management system. Once this is complete, our accounts team will activate direct debiting. At that point, the system will calculate and debit only:

- any **gap fees owing**, and
- **two weeks in advance**, in line with our fee policy.

In the meantime, our administration team will also be processing all pending enrolments over the next few days. This will ensure your bookings formally appear in our childcare system and your enrolment is marked as active.

Please note that this will mean you will not be able to connect CCS to the service in your MyGov account. Our team will reach out as soon as possible when this is able to be actioned.

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our OSHC program, please don't hesitate to get in touch earlylearning@vt.uniting.org or 1800 183 103. We look forward to getting to know you and supporting St Mel's Primary School community.

Kindest Regards



Katie Wiseman, Operations and Development Manager, Vic Tas.