

OSHC Newsletter

21st July 2025

This service is committed to promoting and protecting the safety and wellbeing of all children by providing an environment where children feel safe and their voices are heard.



St Francis of Assisi OSHC acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional owners and ongoing custodians of the land on which our service is built



"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted,"

CHILD INITIATED WEEKS & NAIDOC (end Term 2)



The final 2 weeks of Term 2 encompassed child-initiated play, whilst the closing days included educator-led learning to coincide with NAIDOC.

The children's ongoing enthusiasm for STEM activities steered the various cooking activities (*including making chocolate balls, cupcakes, biscuits, peach puffs and cake decorating*). Additionally, the children employed their creativity to produce human bead designs and a decorative clay vase, whilst the formation of cloud dough offered an enjoyable sensory play experience.

The assorted physical play pursuits were prompted by the children's requests and included an obstacle course, t-ball, table tennis, markers up, AFL football and keep-it-up. The children were also introduced to Borna Jokee and Keentan (*Indigenous games*) which they learned were similar to dodgeball and keepings off, respectively.



Learning Outcomes –

- (1) Children and young people have a strong sense of Identity (children openly express their ideas, initiate and join in play experiences).
- (2) Educators plan experiences that broaden children and young people's perspectives and encourage appreciation of diversity).
- (3) Children and young people have a strong sense of Wellbeing (Children and young people show enthusiasm for participating in physical play).

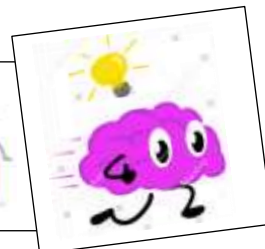
VACATION CARE

The following photographs provide a brief snapshot of the numerous and assorted experiences available throughout July 2025 Vacation Care. The carefully planned and executed activities met the children's interests for physical play, arts and crafts and sensory play and were designed to engage creative thinking, problem solving, collaboration, teamwork and the development of individual competencies.



The Big Hall was host to a variety of team challenges, physical movement, experimentation, dramatic play, construction, problem-solving and the exploration of energy forces. In the Small Hall, the children employed their imagination, creativity and life-skills to craft Disney-inspired projects and prepare delicious snacks, whilst the outdoor environment was surveyed for participation in a scavenger hunt and the engagement of senses.





The service will be operating
In-Service Day on
Wednesday, 6th August 2025

Early Bird Bookings -
Prior to 6pm, 25th July 2025

In Service Day Fee **\$78**

Late Comers Fee

(on or after 26th July 2025) **\$98**

(Bookings received after 6pm,
4th August 2025 CANNOT BE ACCEPTED)

Plus **\$35** Incursion Fee

CCS Applies

A fun-filled

Minute to Win It Incursion

is booked for the day

Participation in the planned experiences will
challenge the children's physical
coordination, cognitive abilities, teamwork,
critical thinking and engage their quick
decision-making!

Cancellation of Booked Care
will incur FULL FEE

HAND-EYE
COORDINATION

If you require care for your child on this day,
please email the service oshc.sfoa@gmail.com
prior to 6pm on 25th July 2025 (\$78 - Early Bird Booking)

Bookings received after 6pm on 25th July 2025 (\$98 – Late Comers Booking)

(Bookings received after 6pm on 4th August 2025 CANNOT BE ACCEPTED)

Breakfast will be supplied until 8.30am.

Families must supply labelled drink bottle, lunch, morning and afternoon snacks
(No nut products, Nutella or chocolate spread)

PLEASE CONSIDER PACKING ADDITIONAL FOODS BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN OBSERVED
CHILDREN HAVE A LARGE APPETITE WHEN ATTENDING ALL DAY CARE

Children must wear closed-toe shoes SPORTS SHOES (no sandals, thongs or crocs)
and have a WARM/WEATHERPROOF COAT for outdoor play

Coming Up.....



WINTER

