



Wilston Kids Care News

June/July Vacation Care Program 2024

Our June-July 2024 Vacation Care Program has been released and bookings are now open.

Bookings can be made through your Xplor Home app.

To view all the incredible activities and experiences we have planned, just click on the link below.

<https://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/vacation-care>



Dates for your Diary

- **16 June:** National Vegemite Day
- **20 June:** World Refugee Day
- **21 June:** International Yoga Day
- **21 June:** Winter Solstice

Our Most Recent Gallery





Learning Story of the Week

The following learning story excerpt is something that we commonly see within Wilston Kids Care and highlights some key ideas and themes in which we will highlight in this article.

Learning Story:

“On junior playground, two of our Prep students demonstrated remarkable creativity and teamwork as they orchestrated their own school bus scenario. Utilising the equipment already there, the children alternated roles between the bus driver and the passenger, delving deep into their imaginations. The “Driver” first issued tickets and announced each new destination, from zoos to beaches, enriching their play with vivid storytelling. This activity not only highlighted their enjoyment and engagement but also showcased their ability to lead and cooperate, reflecting the enriching environment that Wilston Kids Care provides for fostering essential life skills through play.”

By viewing this learning story excerpt through an educators’ lens, we can see that imaginative play is presented as a common method throughout by the children. Imaginative play or make-believe play occurs when a child role plays experiences of interest, in this case the school bus driver or passenger. Imaginative play is vital for children as it fosters creativity and allows children to explore situations and scenarios. In addition to this, imaginative play promotes the development of language and social skills as the children utilise language to apply it to its context. Imaginative play is multifaceted and improves the development of problem-solving and self-regulation skills as it can present opportunities for children to be in non-desired roles in which they may need to negotiate, navigate and learn how to manage unpleasant situations.

This also provides the opportunity for children to practice resilience and develop creativity in negotiating a role change. The frame of imaginative play can often occur spontaneously or can be provoked by stimuli in the playground. We strive to ensure that all children have the opportunity to engage in imaginative play and set the scene in our environment.



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National Reconciliation Week

Last week was National Reconciliation Week Starting Monday the 27th of May to Monday the 3rd of June. This year's theme "Now More Than Ever", is a reminder to all of us that no matter what, the fight for justice and the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will - and must - Continue. Let's honour the work of previous generations and pave the way for a better future for generations to come. Let's strive towards a more equitable, just, and reconciled country for all.

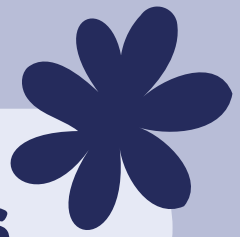
This week is an opportunity for all of us to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and explore how we can each contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. Let's make a difference and create positive change together! #NRW2024

To find out more about National Reconciliation Week click the link below.
<https://www.reconciliation.org.au/.../national.../>





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Happy National Volunteer Week!

We're celebrating the diverse passions and talents that everyone in our Wilston community brings to the act of volunteering. Volunteers are the heart and soul of any thriving community, embodying the spirit of generosity and selflessness that binds people together. Their contributions are invaluable, providing essential support and services that might otherwise be inaccessible.

From organising P&C events to helping out in the school, P&C Tuckshop, or P&C Swim Club, our volunteers infuse Wilston with warmth and compassion. By stepping up to help without expecting anything in return, volunteers exemplify the best of the human spirit, making our community more resilient, compassionate, and vibrant. Their work, often done quietly and without fanfare, highlights the profound impact of giving time and effort to uplift those around them, making Wilston a better place for all.

As it's P&C Day today, we want to extend our deepest appreciation to the parent volunteers who make a difference in our community. A big shout-out to our dedicated P&C President Ian Dorey, Secretary Rosanne Barrett, Treasurer Ray Robertson, and Vice Presidents Jonathan Levey, Belinda Tolman, and David Reed. We are grateful for the work you do to ensure our Wilston community thrives and grows.

Alongside our P&C Executives, volunteers, members, and P&C business units, we all work together to make a profound difference in the lives of the children in our Wilston State School community.

To our P&C, thank you for being an essential part of our community and for all that you do.





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Enrolments

Our Exceeding rated OSHC service offers high-quality care, providing a range of activities that promote learning, social interaction, and physical activity. We are committed to creating a safe and nurturing environment for your children, especially during those crucial hours before and after school.

Our Before and After School Care program is available every day during term time, Monday to Friday, (BSC 6.30am to 8.30am) and (ASC 3.00pm to 6.00pm). We offer a range of flexible booking options to suit your family's needs. Whether you require care for one day a week or every day, WKC can provide the support and care your child needs to thrive.

During the school holidays, we offer Vacation Care, and we are open from 6.30am - 6.00pm, Monday to Friday. We also offer a range of excursions and special events throughout the year, providing your children with unique and exciting experiences.

Enrolling your child into Wilston Kids Care is easy. Simply visit our [website](#) or contact us directly to secure your child's spot. We look forward to welcoming your child into our care and providing them with a safe, supportive, and stimulating environment.

If you have any questions or would like to enrol your child, please do not hesitate to contact our Administration Team on: (07) 3352 6753 or our business mobile on: 0401 059 192.

