

#### **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

We would like to announce that our Employee of the Month for February 2023 is Meggie Gold!

Meggie is an outstanding member of our WKC team and is well-regarded and respected by her peers and the children. Meggie recently was offered the opportunity to be one of our Educator Mentors alongside Jack Greentree, to help the Management Team to guide, inspire, encourage, and support the WKC Educator Team.

Meggie is kind and thoughtful and gives her time to help support educators who are new to the service to help them professionally grow. Meggie is known to run incredible talk times and always has an activity running keeping the children engaged and having fun! Meggie is always helpful and goes the extra mile to help her fellow colleagues and the children with anything they need.

Meggie is an exemplary employee always dedicating herself to everything she does and is well deserving of being our Employee of the Month for February 2023!

Thank you Meggie for everything you do for our WKC family!

# Dates for your Diary

- 2 Apr World Autism Awareness Day
- **7-10 Apr**: Easter Long weekend
- 7 Apr: World Health Day

#### Our Most Recent Gallery









### **Harmony Week at WKC**

Harmony Week is a time to celebrate the cultural diversity within our school community and to promote respect, inclusiveness, and a sense of belonging for all.

Cultural diversity is an integral part of our society, and it enriches our lives in so many ways. It helps us to understand and appreciate different perspectives, beliefs, and traditions. It also allows us to learn from each other and to grow as individuals and as a community.

At Wilston Kids Care, we are committed to fostering a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment where everyone feels valued and respected, regardless of their cultural background. We believe that cultural diversity is a strength that should be celebrated and embraced, and that it is essential to creating a harmonious

community.





### **Mini Terracotta Pot Decorating**

The children have been busy designing and decorating these amazing colourful mini terracotta pots. Using posca paint pens, the children channelled their inner artist to create their unique masterpieces, ready for the planting of succulents.

Arts and crafts activities not only provide a fun and creative outlet, but also help children with cognitive development, refining fine motor skills and encouraging self expression in a calm and relaxed environment. It was wonderful to see such a large and diverse group of children having fun exploring creative concepts, sharing ideas, and connecting with their peers through art.





#### 2023 QCAN Conference Bus Tour

On Friday 24 March 2023, Wilston Kids Care was selected by QCAN (the OSHC Sector Peak Body) to be part of the 2023 QCAN Conference Bus Tour. Kylie Brannelly, the CEO, took tour participants to visit a variety of high performing OSHC services around Brisbane.

QCAN selected Wilston Kids Care as a great representation of a true set up and pack down Outside School Hours Care service on a State School site that shared School facilities as part of their operation. It was such a great opportunity to showcase our Exceeding OSHC Service to OSHC Sector Leaders from privately operated, standalone, and P&C services around Queensland.

We received such awesome feedback from our industry peers about all the great systems, processes, policies and procedures, and the innovative approaches we use at Wilston Kids Care. We are proud of how far our OSHC service has come and we love sharing knowledge and information with other services looking to improve their operations. It makes us proud of our staff and service and appreciate the hard work and dedication we undertook on our journey of change to achieve an Exceeding rating!

Thanks for visiting with us everyone and special thanks to Lyndall our WKC Chef for the yummy Morning Tea provided!





#### **Foody Friday**

Have you heard about our Foody Friday weekly cooking activity? Every Friday, we have a special cooking activity where the children get to learn new recipes and techniques while having fun with their friends.

Last Friday, we baked cupcakes, and the children had an absolute blast! They measured out ingredients, mixed everything together, and carefully decorated each cupcake with their own unique designs. It was wonderful to see them getting creative in the kitchen and working together to create something delicious.

This week the children made mini pizza quiches and they turned out amazing! They got to choose their own toppings and experiment with different flavours, and the end result was absolutely delicious.

Not only did the children have a great time, but they also learned valuable skills such as following instructions, measuring accurately, and working as a team. Plus, they got to taste their yummy treats.

We can't wait to see what new recipes the children will experience for next terms Foody Friday session! Stay tuned for more updates and photos. If you have a family recipe you would like to share with the children in Foody Friday please email Jason, our Education Leader, at educationalleader@wilstonpandc.org.au.







#### **Enrolments**

We wanted to provide you with an update regarding enrolments for our Before and After School Care Program at Wilston Kids Care. We are pleased to inform you that do have positions available and are actively accepting new enrolments. Our program continues to offer 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, and 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, we can provide the support and care your children need to thrive. We also offer a range of excursions and special events throughout the year, as well as inclusive clubs (free of charge) providing your children with unique and exciting experiences.

Enroling your child in our Before and After School Care program is easy. Simply visit our <u>website</u> 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 us.











