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WKC COOKBOOK

We are currently working on an exciting project of creating our first Wilston Kids Care Cookbook and hope to have this ready for purchase towards the end of the school year, ready for Christmas.

Included will be some of Lyndall's most popular vacation care lunches and term-time afternoon teas, as voted by the children. If you have heard your child rave about a lunch or afternoon tea, they have had here at Wilston Kids Care, we would love to hear about it so we can ensure that recipe is included in our cookbook.

We would also like to include a 'Family Favourites' section full of favourite recipes that your children love to eat or make with you. If you, or a family member, have a much-loved recipe (that you are happy to share) we would love to hear from you.

You can send this in any format e.g., a photo of a recipe attached to an email or a list of ingredients and method in an email to wkc.admin@wilstonpandc.org.au.

Dates for your Diary

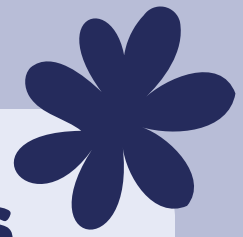
- **28 Jul:** World Nature Conservation Day
- **1 Aug:** International Friendship Day
- **8 Aug:** International Cat Day

Our Most Recent Gallery





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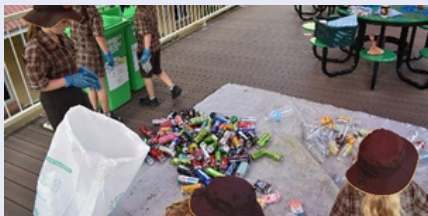


Containers for Change

Last week, our children took their sustainability efforts to a whole new level. They rolled up their sleeves, put on gloves, and dove into the world of recycling with so much enthusiasm and determination.

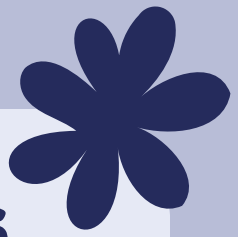
The children tackled both Containers for Change recycling bins, which were overflowing with cans and bottles. They dove right in, sorting through all recycled materials and separated the cans from the bottles, removed all the lids, and even went the extra mile to wash the recycled containers. The children worked together, hand in hand, to bag up all the sorted items, ensuring everything was ready for another collection by Containers for Change.

At Wilston Kids Care we believe that teaching our children about sustainability and recycling is essential. Through activities like the Sustainability Club, we aim to educate the children about the importance of recycling, reducing waste, and caring for the environment. Not only does this teach them valuable life skills, but it also instils a sense of responsibility and empathy towards our wonderful earth.





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Vacation Care Highlights

Our vacation care was an incredible two week adventure filled with excitement and creativity. Here are the highlights that made it truly special.

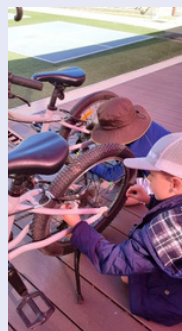
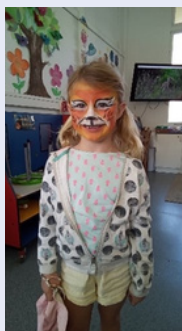
Reptile shows amazed our juniors, while seniors mastered daring aerial manoeuvres at the Brisbane Trapeze Academy. Face painting and exploration set the tone for an action packed vacation care. Personalised DIY number plates and tyre bowling brought endless fun. "Bling My Ride" showcased their inner stylists, and bike races added to the excitement.

Medieval magic surrounded us as we crafted jester hats and swords. Bamboo wands and archery challenges made it even more enchanting. Dungeons and Dragons captivated our seniors, while juniors created fire-breathing dragons.

We unleashed our inner detectives, hunting fairies with music and playful interrogations. Escape rooms and spy gadgets added suspense to the day.

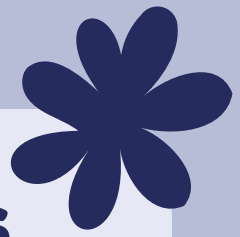
Personalised instruments and abstract paintings filled us with artistic pride. Eco-art adventures and imaginative forts added a touch of magic. Slacklining, Mechanical Wipeout, and Laser Tag battles brought out our competitive spirit. Mini ziplines added thrills to outdoor play.

We hope your beautiful children have had an amazing two weeks and we cannot wait to do it all again in September. Time for us to begin counting down the days until the September school holidays!





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Wilston Kids Care Celebrate NAIDOC Week 2023

Wilston Kids Care participated in this celebration by partaking in some creative and exciting learning experiences that bring awareness to the NAIDOC 2023 theme "For Our Elders".

Across every generation, our Elders have played, and continue to play, an important role and hold a prominent place in our communities and families. They guide our generations and pave the way for us to take the paths we can take today.

Our children actively participated in various cultural learning experiences that beautifully highlighted the theme 'For Our Elders'.

Here's a summary of the exciting activities they engaged in.

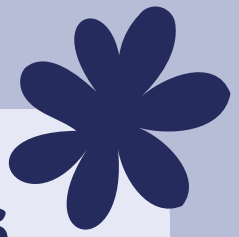
The children were eager to immerse themselves in a traditional Indigenous game, EDOR. Originating from the Aurukun Aboriginal community in North Queensland, EDOR is a goal-oriented chasing-tagging team game. It was an exciting way to connect with Indigenous culture and enjoy some friendly competition.

Our younger children had the opportunity to explore the art of storytelling through the creation of their own symbols in the sand. They designed their own symbols, fostering a deeper understanding of Indigenous culture and its rich storytelling traditions.

These activities provided our children with valuable insights into Indigenous heritage, encouraging appreciation and respect for our Elders and their contributions. At Wilston Kids Care we are always finding ways to embed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history. We scaffold the children's learning to create meaningful conversations and connections about our wider community and the land. We believe that by learning from and engaging with the wisdom of our Elders, we create a brighter future for generations to come.



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The Great Book Swap – WKC

We are thrilled to announce that yet again, Wilston Kids Care will be participating in the fantastic Great Book Swap event, organised by the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

What is the Great Book Swap?

The Great Book Swap is a wonderful initiative that aims to promote literacy and provide books to children in remote Indigenous communities. By participating in this event, we can help make a difference and contribute to improving educational opportunities for Indigenous children across Australia.

How can you get involved?

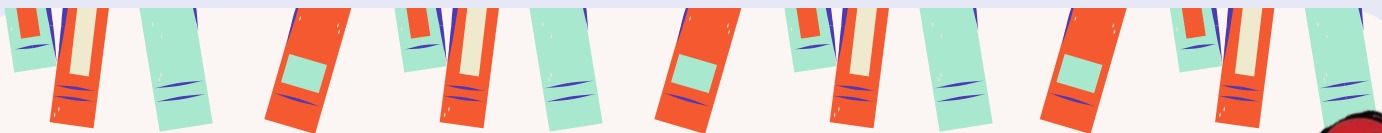
Wilston Kids Care has put an invitation out to the incredible families and the wider Wilston community to join us. We will be collecting all eligible donations at the Wilston Kids Care office of unwanted children's and/or educational books that could be donated for this wonderful initiative.

On the 6th through to the 8th of September, these donated books will then be displayed for children to purchase for a gold coin donation. All funds received will be going to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation to assist in buying reading materials for children in remote areas.

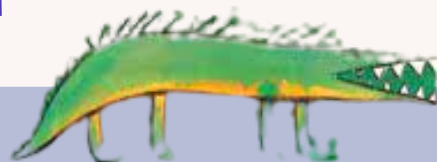
Show your support by donating to our Great Book Swap page and sharing it with your friends, family, and the Wilston community!

Below is the link to our Wilston Kids Care Great Book Swap.

Any donations are always appreciated.

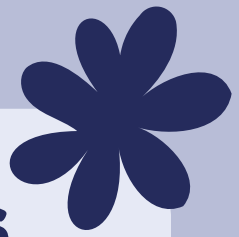


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Enrolments

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 [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 us.

