





# THE WKC BUZZ 28 November 2025

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### Wilston Kids Care's Acknowledgement to Country

Wilston Kids Care would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land of which we meet today. Wilston Kids Care is located on Turrbal and Yagura land whose cultures are amongst the oldest living in human history.

We would like to pay respects to Elders past, present, and emerging and acknowledge their continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Wilston Kids Care will always remember that this land is, was, and always will be traditional Aboriginal land.

Wilston Kids Care has a commitment to reconciliation, which is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians.

### **Dates for your Diary**

2<sup>nd</sup> December: World Computer Literacy Day

25<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Day

4<sup>th</sup> December: World Wildlife Conservation Day 31<sup>st</sup> December: New Years Eve

## Christmas Closure Dates



#### **END OF TERM 4:**

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2025



#### VACATION CARE WK 1:

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> of December - 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

#### Service Closed for Christmas/New Years

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 2025 - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2026

#### VACATION CARE WK 2 & 3

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

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## Office Reminders

We're excited to let you know that you can access and enjoy your child's learning stories and special moments directly in the Xplor Home app! At WKC, our team is dedicated to capturing these wonderful moments of play, exploration, and learning to share with our families.



Through the app, you can view photos, stories, and videos that highlight your child's experiences here with us. Parents can also interact by leaving comments and liking the stories we share—making it easy to stay connected to your child's day!

## 2026 Enrolments & Booking Updates

We are now finalising the enrolment process for 2026! Please remember that all children with consistent permanent bookings throughout this year will have their current bookings automatically carried over into next year. If you require any changes to your child's bookings or wish to end your enrolment, please let us know as soon as possible so we can accommodate your needs and plan accordingly.

## Marking Absences in Xplor

We kindly ask families to please mark children absent through the Xplor app prior to 2:30pm each day. This ensures we are able to account for all children's whereabouts and is an important child safety issue.

## Activity Permission Forms

We wanted to share a few friendly reminders if your child is attending an extracurricular activity whilst at Wilston Kids Care.

- Please ensure there is a current and accurate activity permission form for your child/ren. If in doubt, please check with our Admin team.
- If you are picking your child/ren up from an extra-curricular activity, instead of them returning to Wilston Kids Care, please let us know so we can make a note on our activity list and are aware that they won't be returning to our care. To complete our Activity Permission Form, please use the link below: https://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/activity-permission-form

## **Vacation Care Bookings Open!**

Our December 2025 - January 2026 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.
<a href="https://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/vacation-care">https://www.wilstonpandc.org.au/vacation-care</a>





























## Celebrating a Special Achievement at WKC

We are very excited to share a wonderful milestone from one of our Wilston Kids Care children. This talented child has recently co-illustrated a children's book with her mum, who is also the author. Their beautiful story follows a young girl named Love as she navigates the first day back at school, finds comfort in small treasures, celebrates her cultural traditions, and discovers that the simplest moments can become the most meaningful.



To honour this incredible achievement and celebrate the creativity within our community, we incorporated a special activity into Foodie Friday last week. The book features a delicious recipe for Swedish chokladbollar (chocolate balls), and the children had a wonderful time making (and tasting!) these Swedish treats together.

This was a lovely opportunity to acknowledge the hard work of one of our children, explore cultural traditions, and come together as a supportive WKC community. We loved sharing this moment with the children and celebrating a story created so close to home.



## **Emergency Drills**

Last week at Wilston Kids Care we completed our 3 monthly Emergency Drills, with a Fire Evacuation Drill during Before School Care on Monday and a Lockdown Drill on Friday afternoon.

As an OSHC service, we are required to conduct emergency drills every three months. These regular practices help ensure that both children and educators know exactly what to do in an emergency, allowing us to respond calmly, confidently and safely. By rehearing our procedures, we help children build a sense of security and awareness, supporting them to feel prepared without fear.



These drills also support our commitment to the National Quality Standards, particularly Quality Area 2 (Children's Health & Safety) and Quality Area 7 (Governance & Leadership). Regular emergency practice ensures we maintain high safety standards, review our procedures, and continuously improve how we protect and support the wellbeing of every child in our care. Thank you to all our educators and children for participating so calmly and responsibly during this week's drills.

## Hampers of Hope

Wilston Kids Care is proud to support Wilston State School's Salvation Army Food & Toy Drive this year. Our donation basket is now out on the WKC stage, and we'll be collecting eligible items right up until the last day of school.

#### Families are welcome to drop off:

- Non-perishable food items (canned goods, pasta, rice, biscuits, cereal)
- New, unwrapped toys suitable for children of all ages
- Your generosity helps support families in need this Christmas and spreads a little extra kindness throughout our community.

Thank you for helping us make a difference.



#### SUGGESTED ITEMS:

Fill your hamper with items from the list's sections, and this holiday season, bring hope to those in need.

#### HANDY HINTS:

- Select items with long expiry dates; the longer, the better!
- Consider items for people with different dietary needs.
- Buy brand-name products where possible and include special items for the holidays.

CHILDREN 4-8 YEARS OLD...

- Outdoor Games Frisbees, Balls, Cricket Sets
- · Board and Card Games
- Plush Toys, Dolls, Action Figures
- · Cars, Trucks or Train Sets
- · Building Blocks or LEGO
- Story or Colouring in Books
- · Craft Supplies -Paint, Pencils
- Clothes, Pyjamas, Bathers, Shoes

#### TINNED FOODS...

(Ring-pull cans only)

- Fruits in Juice
- Vegetables (e.g. Peas, Corn)
- Legumes (e.g. Lentils, Chickpeas)
- Soups
- · Meat or Fish
- Meals (e.g. Spaghetti)

#### BREAKFAST...

- · Cereal and Spreads
- · Savoury Biscuits
- Sugar
- · Tea and Coffee
- Long-life Milk
- · Iced Tea

#### MEAL BASES...

- Dry Pasta
- Rice/Noodles
- · Cooking Oil
- Stir-fry/Curry
- Pasta Sauces
- · Meal Kit

#### SWEETS...

- Custard Powder
- · Shortbread
- · Packet of Jelly
- Chocolate and Lollies
- · Pancake Mix
- Cake Mix
- · Sweet Biscuits
- · Popcorn

#### CHILDREN 9-14 YEARS OLD...

- Board and Card Games
- Reading and Activity Books
- · Fun Stationery and Stickers
- Headphones or Speakers
- Clothes, Pyjamas, Bathers, Shoes

Thanks to you



## **2026** Enrolments

Families, please check your inbox and Xplor notifications – we've sent important information about our new and continuing enrolment process for 2026.

#### **Continuing families**

No action needed if keeping the same days

#### Want to change days?

Complete the Request to Change Permanent Booking Form

#### New families (including 2026 Preps)

Complete the Xplor Enrolment Form

All details have been emailed to you, so please take a moment to read through carefully. We look forward to supporting our amazing WKC community in 2026!

## **CWA Update**

We're currently in the process of updating all families' Complying Written Agreements (CWAs) to ensure this reflects your child's current booking schedule and the latest fees.

Keep an eye on your inbox - you will receive an email from Xplor when your updated CWA is ready to be approved. The email includes simple, step-by-step instructions to guide you through.

You can also find your CWA anytime in your Xplor app (Primary Guardian) under:

Finance  $\rightarrow$  Wilston Kids Care  $\rightarrow$  View Child Care Subsidy.

If you have any questions, please reach out — we're always happy to help!

## Enrol for 2026!

Enrolments for 2026 are open at Wilston Kids Care!

Looking for a safe, engaging, and fun space for your child's outside school hours care? Look no further! Wilston Kids Care is now accepting enrolments for 2026, and we can't wait to welcome new faces to our vibrant OSHC community!

Whether you have a little one starting Prep or a student new to any grade at Wilston State School, our dedicated team is here to provide high quality care and enriching activities that your child will love.



- A fun and supportive environment for children to make friends and learn new skills.
- Diverse activities, from arts and crafts to sports and educational games plus more.
- Convenient care for busy families, before and after school and during vacation care during the school holidays.
- Caring, qualified staff who are passionate about your child's wellbeing.

Simply head to our website to get started or scan the QR code to enrol today! Spots are filling up fast for 2026, so don't miss out on securing your child's place.











Please remember that if your child/ren are enrolled in any extracurricular activities, WKC will require an up to date permission form to be able to release them from our care.

## Feedback!

We value your input and strive to continuously improve the quality of our OSHC services here at Wilston Kids Care. To ensure we meet your expectations and provide the best possible care, we encourage you to share your feedback with us.

Please take a moment to complete the feedback forms available for the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) feedback, Policies and Procedure feedback, and general service feedback. Your responses will help us identify areas of strength and opportunities for improvement, ensuring we create a positive and supportive environment for both children and families. Thank you for being a valued part of our community!

Please click the link for each feedback form!

- QIP Feedback Form
- General Feedback
- Policies and Procedures

