

BEYOND THE BELL

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT WILSTON KIDS CARE



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

16th February

April VAC Program Released

1st March

Clean Up Australia Day

8th March

International Women's Day

9th-13th March

Year 6 Camp

Wilston Kids Care is located in Meajin and acknowledges the Turrbal and Jagera peoples as the traditional custodians of



this land.



WEEK 1 & 2 HIGHLIGHTS



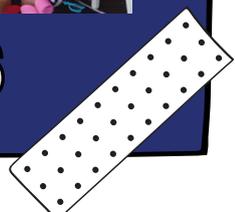
PREP - 1



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5 - 6



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December Vacation Care

Last month, our journey took us on a vibrant world tour, exploring the rich tapestry of Christmas traditions from Latin America, Africa, Asia, to Europe.

Our explorers engaged with the cultures of the world through a blend of creative crafts, music, and culinary delights, creating everything from colorful Papel Picado to engaging in the high energy of African drumming workshops and splashing through water-filled fun to beat the Brisbane heat. Traditional games, festive lantern making, and a LEGO Christmas Challenge were just some of the ways we ignited the imaginations of our young adventurers.

It was a month filled with joy, learning, and global exploration, bringing us closer to the diverse ways Christmas is celebrated around the globe. Our hearts are full of gratitude for the smiles, the laughter, and the community spirit that shone brightly throughout our holiday program.

THE GALLERY



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January Vacation Care

We kicked off celebrating in true Aussie spirit with glowstick dance parties and light painting, then traversed the globe through Janus Gate, delving into New Year traditions from around the world. Our adventures guided us from crafting and traditional dance to embracing digital worlds with coding and cybersecurity challenges, enriching our digital literacy while promoting balance and active play.

Themes of new beginnings wove through our activities, from African drumming and dance celebrating Sankofa, to creating wishes and dreams with Sueño Nuevo and exploring Pacific island culture with Motunui Magic. Each day, our activities fused fun with meaningful learning experiences, encouraging creativity, teamwork, and reflection.

Practical skills weren't left behind, as we navigated through survival skills, learned essential kitchen crafts, and even dabbled in culinary arts to appreciate nutrition and global tastes. We charged into adventures like survivor toolkits, eco-awareness through Tides of Survival, and wrapped up with themes that sparked imagination, from battling zombies to conjuring fairy tale magic in Once Upon a Swamp.

Our journey was a blend of culture, creativity, sustainability, and digital navigation. It encouraged not just fun but growth, learning, and community spirit. Thank you for being a part of this memorable start to 2026; your enthusiasm fuels our adventures and enriches our community.

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Welcome 2026 Preps

We are thrilled to welcome over 100 new Preps into our WKC community this year! To make their start extra special, we've opened the doors to our brand-new play space in C-Block and our G-Wing, giving them fresh opportunities to explore, play, and learn.

In these exciting early weeks, our Preps have been discovering all the wonderful corners of the school while learning important lessons about sharing, kindness, responsibility, and compassion. From story times to playground fun and afternoon tea hangouts, we're fostering friendships and building a strong foundation for the year ahead.

We can't wait to see them grow, thrive, and create beautiful memories at our school in 2026!

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Week 1 & 2 Highlights

At Wilston Kids Care, we've been intentionally keeping things calm, familiar and fun as children settle back into their routines. Over the past two weeks, children have enjoyed a balanced mix of experiences, including:

- Indoor games and group sports
- Creative activities and craft
- Quiet table play and building challenges
- Outdoor play and relaxed time with friends

These experiences support children's wellbeing, confidence and sense of belonging, aligning with the National Quality Framework, particularly Quality Area 1 (Educational Program and Practice) and Quality Area 5 (Relationships with Children).

It has been wonderful to see friendships reconnecting, confidence building, and so many happy smiles returning each morning and afternoon as children feel safe, supported and settled at Wilston Kids Care.

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NOTICES

Term Time Bag Area

Before School Care

Prep – Grade 1: G Wing Bag Rack

Grade 2 - 6: WKC stage bag racks or hooks

After School Care:

Preps: Junior Playground Silver Seats

Grade 1: G Wing Bag Rack

Grade 2: E Block WKC Room Bag Rack

Grade 3: Library Bag Rack

Grade 4: Hall Verandah

Grade 5-6: WKC Seniors Room

Activity Permission Forms

Activity Permission Forms If you child is attending an extra-curricular activity while they are at Wilston Kids Care it is your responsibility to complete a Permission Form, so your child/ren are able to attend this activity.

The Permission Form must be submitted no later than C.O.B. the day prior to the activity starting. If you send it that night or the day of it will not be processed in time and your child/ren will not be able to attend.

[WKC Activity Permission Form](#)

Fee Increase Effective from 2026

At Wilston Kids Care, we are proud to be an Exceeding-rated service, and we remain committed to delivering the highest standards of care and education for every child who walks through our doors. Our team is experienced and passionate about creating meaningful experiences, fostering strong relationships, and supporting the needs of both children and families in our community. As part of our ongoing commitment to quality and long-term sustainability, we regularly review our service operations and fee charging structure.

Raising the fees equally by 4.15% results in session fees that can appear slightly unusual or not neatly rounded. To make this clearer and more user-friendly to look at for families, especially when calculating multiple days and when reviewing your statement, I have rounded the figures to the nearest five cents. This creates a more standardised fee structure while still ensuring we only increase fees by the amount necessary, no more and no less.

For more information and details of the dollar amount for the 4.15% increase rounded down within 5 cents please check the communications center on your Xplor app.

NOTICES

Additional Fees

Additional Administrative Fees Charged	
Late Fee	\$3.00 per minute, per child from 6pm
Failure to Inform of Absence Fee applied after the third failure to notify. This is a serious child safety and protection issue.	\$25.00 per child
Newly introduced fee - Outstanding Account Fee Repeated failure after 2 charging cycles to make a weekly/fortnightly payment.	\$5.00 charge, per cycle, if payment is not made.
All service fees will be charged in accordance with our Fee Management Policy . Payments are processed through our fully automated third-party direct debit system , (Debit Success) and all accounts are required to operate on either a weekly or fortnightly payment cycle and be paid in full each week/fortnight and brought to a zero balance	

Vacation Care Feedback

We're seeking feedback from parents about our Vacation Care program. Your thoughts are incredibly valuable and help us improve our practice, so if you have a few moments, we'd really appreciate you completing our feedback form.

December / January
Vacation Care Feedback

2026 Grade Mentors

Our grade mentors are dedicated educators who support a specific grade, helping to create a strong sense of stability, routine, and belonging. They act as a consistent point of contact for students, offering support, gathering feedback and ideas from the children, and sharing important notices, reminders, and updates in a familiar and trusted way. Our mentors have already begun building meaningful bonds with their new grades, and we are so excited to watch the children continue to develop safe, secure, and positive relationships throughout the year.

Preps: Tamison

Grade 1: Maleeka

Grade 2: David

Grade 3: Bailey

Grade 4: Jono

Grade 5-6: Claire

FEEDBACK

We value your input and strive to continuously improve the quality of our OSHC service 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](#)

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