

BEYOND THE BELL

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29th July

OSHC Educator Day

4th August

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day

7th August

Jeans for Genes Day

14th August

EKKA Public Holiday

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



this land.



VACATION CARE HIGHLIGHTS



PREP - 1



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UPDATES

June - July Vacation Care Recap

Week 1 of Vacation Care was packed with hands-on fun, creativity and teamwork. Children kicked off with a 5 Senses theme, rotating through sensory stations and blindfold challenges (including giant Jenga), experimenting with oobleck, creating natural perfumes, and burning energy with Just Dance and a big cricket match.

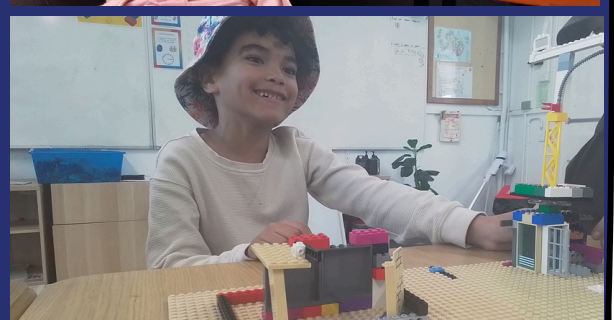
The week also celebrated All Things Aussie with a special visit from Uncle Boomerang, who shared Dreamtime stories and First Nations culture through ochre art, traditional artefacts, animal games and a didgeridoo demonstration, alongside obstacle courses, bush tracking, animal call competitions, Aussie-themed art and sports. Construction and engineering days followed with LEGO building, cardboard cities, blueprints and design challenges, before a Tradies Workshop where children used real tools safely to build wooden creations and tackle engineering tasks. The week ended on a high with a Backyard Party featuring a jumping castle, classic games, races, craft activities and a final dance showdown.

Week 2 launched into an “Out of This World” theme, combining imagination, problem-solving and plenty of creative play. Children designed Alien Pets, cared for “hatching” Alien Eggs, built and launched rockets, painted alien landscapes, played strategy games, and worked together to decode mysterious space signals. A cultural highlight was Tanabata (the Japanese Star Festival), with a Brisbane Judo Club visit where children learned beginner skills and safe falling, plus wishes on tanzaku, wool ornaments, Hanami Dango making, fan decorating, a cooperative “cosmic cow herding” challenge and weaving activities.

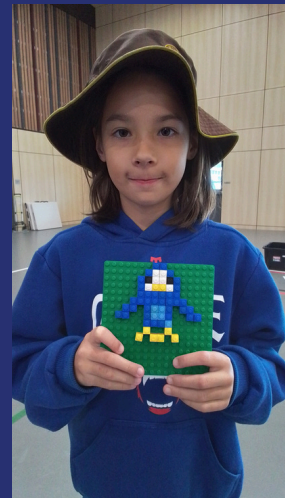
The week also included an Art Extravaganza with large-scale painting, self-portraits and optical illusions, followed by a Spy Academy day featuring spy passports, boot camp challenges, laser mazes and code breaking, alongside an art incursion. It wrapped up with Mirror World activities exploring reflections, symmetry and fun mirror-drawing portraits.

Overall, we had an absolute blast, and a huge thank you to all the children, families and staff who participated and helped make it such a fun and memorable program

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HERE ARE SOME OF OUR FAVOURITE MOMENTS

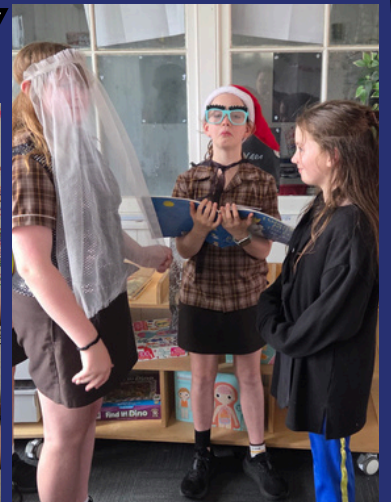
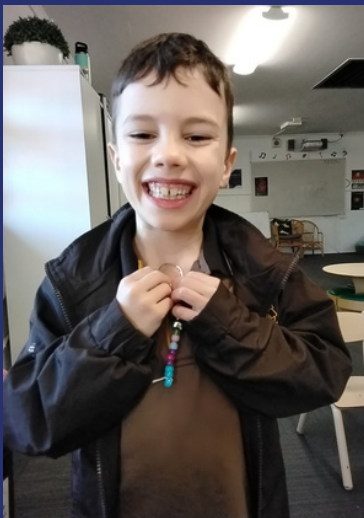


UPDATES

Week 1 & 2 Highlights

The first two weeks of Term 3 have been full of fun, creativity and connection at WKC! Our Buddy Afternoons have been a wonderful opportunity for our Prep and Senior children to build friendships while enjoying dress-ups, board games and colouring activities together. We've been strengthening our fine motor skills through a range of hands-on experiences, including handprint art, watercolour painting, pipe cleaner accessories and many other creative crafts. All of our clubs are back in full swing, with children eagerly participating in their favourite activities each week. We've also been making the most of the beautiful weather with plenty of nature-based play and engaging in meaningful NAIDOC Week activities that celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. To top it all off, everyone has been getting behind the mens FIFA World Cup, enjoying watch parties, highlight reels and plenty of real-life soccer games to bring the excitement onto the field! While the holidays may have come to an end, the excitement, friendships and engaging experiences of the first two weeks have made the transition back to school smooth, enjoyable and full of smiles.

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Reconciliation Action Plan

Over the holidays, we were fortunate to welcome Uncle Boomerang from Burragun Aboriginal Cultural Services, who captivated children from Prep to Year 6 with engaging, hands-on cultural learning. The children explored a variety of bush medicines, made a tea tree oil plant wash, painted with ochre, joined in song and dance, learned traditional games, examined cultural artefacts, and created a beautiful artwork using negative handprints. Over the last few weeks we have also been celebrating NAIDOC Week and reflecting on this year's theme, "50 Years of Deadly," through activities such as making boomerangs, designing collaborative murals, building rainsticks, and having thoughtful discussions about what NAIDOC Week is and why we celebrate it. It has been wonderful to see so many children and staff getting involved and deepening their understanding of First Nations cultures. Looking ahead, our Reconciliation Action Program (RAP) team is continuing work to strengthen our Indigenous resources and embed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives into our everyday program. We warmly welcome feedback from our community and look forward to planning ongoing staff development opportunities, as well as inviting Elders and Aboriginal Cultural Educators into our service to continue growing our children's knowledge and respect.

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NOTICES

Activity Permission Forms

If your child is attending an extra-curricular activity while they are at Wilston Kids Care it is the Family's 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 may not be processed in time and your child/ren may not be able to attend.

[WKC Activity Permission Form](#)

Great Book Swap

Wilston Kids Care is proud to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation's Great Book Swap for the 5th year.

When: After School Care, Wed 2 Sept – Fri 4 Sept

How it works: Bring a gold coin (EFTPOS available), choose a pre-loved book, and join in book-themed activities. Funds raised support literacy programs in remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Book donations: We're collecting clean, good-condition children's story/educational books (no unsuitable content). Drop off at the WKC Office. Thanks for your support!

Term 3 Clubs

Check out our clubs for Term 3!



Junior: Thursday
Senior: Monday



Junior: Wednesday



All Grades: Friday



Senior: Wednesday



Senior: Wednesday



Senior: Tuesday

NOTICES

Health and Wellness

As we embrace the hustle and bustle of school life, the health and well-being of our students and staff remain a top priority. With the flu season upon us, it's important to remember that illnesses can spread swiftly within our school community. We kindly ask for your support in ensuring a healthy environment for all.

Please be vigilant in observing your child for any signs of flu or other infectious diseases. If your child is unwell, we urge you to keep them at home to rest and recover. This not only assists in their swift recovery but also plays a critical role in safeguarding the health of their peers and our Educators.

In our efforts to provide a safe and nurturing environment, we direct you to the Queensland Government's "Time Out - Keeping Kids Healthy" poster, an excellent resource with guidelines on illness-related exclusion periods and effective health safety practices. You can access it here: [Time Out Poster](#).

Another matter of community health involves head lice, a common but easily manageable concern. Although we encourage students to wear their own hats to minimize contact, head lice can still find ways to spread, particularly when hats are lost or exchanged. Regular checks of your child's hair and adherence to recommended treatment procedures can greatly help in controlling the spread.

By uniting in our health and hygiene practices, we can ensure that our school remains a thriving place of learning and growth. Thank you for your cooperation and contribution to keeping our school community healthy.



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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ENROL AT WKC

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 2027, 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.

Why Choose Wilston Kids Care?

- 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 2027, so don't miss out on securing your child's place.

