

Good Shepherd Primary School Newsletter

Term 1

Week 11

Tuesday, 10th April, 2018

Last Week of Term 1



Term 1 Principal's Morning Tea

Dear Parents, last week we held our Infants and Primary Principal's Morning Tea at school. Teachers were asked to nominate one child from each class to attend morning tea with the Principal and the Assistant Principal. These nominated children have shown a positive attitude to all aspects of schooling for the term. Congratulations to the parents and teachers of these children who consistently make good choices about their learning:

KB: Tuoro Savea Hosking-Ellis

KG: Avi Menon KR: Cooper Parica KW: Tript Mutti

1B: Taiuli-Rose Bennell 1G: Christopher Gervacio Jr 1R: Aditiya Prathapan 1W: Zara Guillermo 2B: Malakai Setefano 2G: Ruby Cornish

2R: Mia Smith Dorria Alhamwi



Dates for your Diary:

For Upcoming Events..... Please see inside for more details of other events!

Term 1

Concludes this Friday: Friday, 13th April

Term 2

commences:

Monday, 30th April

Term 2 concludes:

Friday, 6th July

Gabriel Manalo 3B: 3G:

Kylie Pham

3R: Natalia Falemaka 3W: Shayna Tatafu

4B:

Bianca Cailao 4G: Zion Penman

4R: Ashleigh Galletes

4W: Angelina Beshav

5B: Gaile Zapanta

Joanne Imlay 5G:

Rosemary Shamoka

5W: Hannah Soans

6B: Joshua Parnell

6G: William Planer

6R: Shay-Lee Paris

6W: Menna Dawit





Enjoy the school break and we'll see you back refreshed and ready for Term 2!!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, 11th April: Ye

Year 3 Assembly (2.00 pm

Good Shepherd School)

Thursday, 12th April:

Kinder Nursery Rhyme Day

Thursday, 12th April:

Year 2 Assembly (2.00 pm

Good Shepherd School)

Friday, 13th April:

Good Shepherd Day

Friday, 13th April:

Last Day of Term 1

Looking ahead

Monday, 30th April:

First Day of Term 2

Tuesday, 1st May:

Reconciliation (11.00 am Good

Shepherd Church)

Monday, 7th May:

Mother's Day Stall

Tuesday, 8th May:

Mass—Year 3 attending

(9.00 am Good Shepherd

Church)

Friday, 11th May:

Mothers Day Liturgy & Morning

Tea (10.00 am Good Shepherd

Church)

Monday, 21st May:

Staff Development Day (Pupil

Free Day)

Confirmation

Parish News Sacrament of Confirmation

Dear Parents & Guardians, just a reminder that the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Monday, 21st May at 7.30 pm in the Good Shepherd Church. If you need to contact the Parish, their number is Ph. 9832 4461.

School Office-

Closed for <u>Cash Transactions</u> only this Thursday, 12th April and Friday, 13th April, 2018

Dear Parents, this Thursday and Friday, (12th & 13th April) the School Office will not be receipting any <u>cash transactions</u> due to end of term finalising. We apologise for any inconvenience and ask for your consideration at this time. **EFTPOS** transactions will still be accepted. Thank you.

Policies and Forms

For all policies and forms, please refer to our School Website. Please note our Parent Handbook is on our School Website for your convenience.

Complaints/Grievances Forms

Parents, please note if you would like to make a complaint/ grievance in regards to any school matter, you can pick up a form from the school office. All matters will be attended to under strict confidentiality.

2018 Dates

Term 1 Concludes:

Concludes: this Friday, 13th April

Term 1 School Holidays

Monday 16th April—Friday 27th April

Term 2

Commences: Monday, 30th April (Week 1)

Concludes: Friday, 6th July

Term 2 School Holidays

Monday 9th July-Friday 20th July

Term 3

Commences: Monday, 23rd July (Week 1) **Concludes:** Friday, 28th September

Term 3 School Holidays

Monday, 1st October-Friday 12th October

Term 4

Concludes: Monday, 15th October (Week 1)
Wednesday, 19th December

Term 4 School Holidays

Thursday, 20th December 2018 through to

Monday, 28th January 2019

Please note Staff Development Days will occur throughout the year. Parents will be notified of such dates at the start of each term. <u>Term 2's Staff Development Day will be Monday, 21st May (Week 4).</u>

Year 3 and Year 2 Grade Assemblies

Dear Parents, please note the Year 3 Grade Assembly will be on tomorrow, Wednesday, 11th April at 2.00 pm. And the Year 2 Grade Assembly will be on Thursday, 12th April. All very welcome.

Term 2 2018 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

Each year Staff participate in professional development to support them in their roles as educators. The focus of these days is aligned to Good Shepherd School's goals. Staff will use information they have gathered about the children to design learning programs for the children that will best meet their needs. Term 2's Staff Development Day is a Pupil Free Day and will take place on Monday, 21st May (Week 4). Our thanks to parents for organising care for their children on this day. COSHC will be able to offer spaces for care on this day. Please phone COSHC on 0409 121 980 for all inquiries and bookings.



NAPLAN 2018

The 2018 NAPLAN tests will be conducted over three days from **Tuesday 15th May** - **Thursday 17th May**. For students in Years 3 and 5, there are four tests covering:

- numeracy,
- reading,
- writing and
- language conventions (spelling, punctuation and grammar).

The assessments are an opportunity for students to demonstrate what they have learned in class.

The NAPLAN test results and the student reports are released in September.

The results provide information about student achievement that can be used to inform teaching and learning programs. NAPLAN tests provide point-in-time information regarding student progress in literacy and numeracy and are intended to complement the wide range of formal and informal assessments that are already conducted in schools. NAPLAN test results are not intended to be used in isolation from other school-based assessment programs. Further details will be sent home closer to the date.

Dates for your Calendar:

15th May Test day: Language Conventions and Writing

16th May Test day: Reading 17th May Test day: Numeracy

Mobile Phone-Settings on your phone

Parents, would you please check your Settings for "Incoming Call restrictions" and "Do Not Disturb" notifications on your mobile phones so as in a case of an emergency, we need to be able to contact you. Would you please ensure that you can be contacted quickly and easily. Thank you.



School Banking

Parents, please note school banking will resume next term on Tuesday, 8th May (Week 2).



School Fees 2018

Dear Parents, accounts for the first instalment of school fees are now due. Any family who may experience difficulty paying their fees this year please contact the School Office for an appointment to

discuss options available under the Catholic Education Office financial hardship policy.

Parent Group-Uniform Shop

Change of Opening Hours:

From this week onwards the Uniform Shop will only be open Wednesdays 8.30 am—9.00 am. It will not be open during the school holidays. Please note only Cash is accepted. If there are any further changes, we will keep you informed. Parent Helpers are still required for Term 2 please.

If you can spare an hour or so on Wednesdays, would you please leave your details with the School Office. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.



Social Skill of the Week

"Maintain eye contact when speaking to someone"

Damage to Library Books

Each week damaged library books are returned to the Resource Centre. The most common cause is leaking drink bottles. Some books have also made their way into the hands of younger siblings and have been scribbled all over. Please encourage your children to take care with school resources. If an accident does occur, please ask your children to inform us. The book needs to be replaced. Plastic or vinyl Library bags help protect books from leaking drink bottles or drink bottle bags keep drink bottles away from books. Each week we get at least one or two damaged books. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

School Safety Procedures

As part of maintaining a safe environment for all students and staff at Good Shepherd School, we conduct regular Emergency Evacuation and Safety Drills. You may have information come home from your child regarding an Evacuation Practice, please be assured in the event of a real emergency all families will be notified at the earliest possible time. Please inform the office in writing if you have changed your contact details. Thank you.

Dear Parents & Carers, please note if someone else will be collecting your child <u>early or during school hours</u>, on your behalf, you need to inform the school <u>in writing or by email to:</u>





Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following students who will celebrate their birthday this week:
Liam Bernardo, Aahana De Silva, Declan Pitkin, Aman Singh, Chloe Angeles, Raanya Ram, Nathaniel Soans, Rolesena Lonesborough-Togahai, Kaiden Blair and Janice Hide.

Uniform Changeover

Parents, please note that the changeover date for winter uniform is officially Monday, 14th May, 2018 (Week 3 Term 2). The correct school uniform should be worn at all times, in order to maintain expectations. If, for any reason, a child is unable to wear any part of the correct uniform, a note should be sent to your child's class teacher. Parents who have difficulty securing uniforms for their children please make an appointment with Mrs Carr, Principal, to discuss options. THE SCHOOL HAT IS AN ESSENTIAL ITEM OF SCHOOL UNIFORM. THE WEARING OF THE SCHOOL HAT IS COMPULSORY. For a full list of the School Uniform requirements, please refer to Page 5 of this newsletter, as well as our School Website—"Enrol Now" - Handbook—Uniform.

Information regarding Leave from School

Leave from school for holiday/overseas trips in school time is not encouraged and must be explained in writing to the School Principal.

A leave form ("Application for Extended Leave") must be completed at least 4 weeks in advance for 5 or more school days. Leave forms can be obtained from the school administration office. Leave during school terms is strongly discouraged.

Leave of 4 days and less needs to also be approved by the Principal. Please write a letter to your child's class teacher outlining the details of the leave, including the first and last school day that the child will be absent.

In NSW, school attendance is compulsory for children over the age of six years until the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. Students must complete Year 10, and after Year 10 until they turn 17 years of age, students must be: in school or registered for home schooling, or in approved education or training (e.g. TAFE, traineeship, apprenticeship), or in full-time, paid employment (average 25 hours per week) or in a combination of work, education and/or training.

Supervision

Before school supervision commences at 8:10 am. No responsibility can be taken for children arriving before that time. Children arriving before this time are expected to sit in the designated area. Supervision is provided for children during class and play times during the school day. Staff supervise children waiting for buses, walkers who cross driveways in the immediate vicinity of the school and those waiting for collection by parents.

Children are supervised by teachers until 3:15 pm after which time, parents will be contacted. It is the parents/carers responsibility to ensure children are collected before 3:15 pm every day.

Very important information regarding your contact phone numbers

Dear Parents & Guardians, if you have changed your mobile numbers, work numbers, home number etc would you please ensure you inform the office immediately. This is absolutely vital as we need to be able to contact you if your child is sick or had an accident, has not been picked up at school by dismissal time or for any other urgent matter. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

NATIONAL WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY FRIDAY 18 MAY 2018

Primary school aged children across
Australia will make those important steps
towards a healthier future by participating in National Walk
Safely to School Day on Friday 18 May 2018.
National Walk Safely to School Day is a community initiative
that aims to raise awareness of the health, road safety,
transport and environmental benefits that regular walking
(especially to and from school) can provide for the long term
well-being of our children. Apart from the physical benefits,
regular walking also has a favourable impact on their
cognitive and academic performance.

The annual event, now in its 19th year, encourages primary school aged children to build walking into their daily routine, by walking to and from school, not just on Friday 18 May, but every day. For more information please refer to website: www.walk.com.au/wstsd



Canteen News

Two Meal Deals to choose from at \$5.00 each (This deal is available until Friday 13th April).

Meal Deal 1

Ham & Cheese Toastie, Juice Popper, Fruit Cup Meal Deal 2

Sausage Roll, Bottle Juice, Fruit Cup

To view the full menu of Classroom Catering, please visit website: www.classroomcatering.com.au

Privacy Consent

Dear Parents & Carers,

If you <u>do not</u> give consent for the use of your child's image and/or works to be published in our School Newsletter or on our website, <u>please notify the school in writing</u>. If you do not want your child to sell raffle tickets, please also inform the school office. Thank you.

Kindergarten 2019 Enrolments

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2019 are now available from the School Office. Parents, if you already have a child at Good Shepherd, you will still need to submit an Enrolment Form for any **new siblings** for 2019.



No Nut Policy

A number of our students have severe allergies. Please do not send peanut butter/Nutella sandwiches or other foods containing whole or crushed nuts or sesame seeds to school. This also includes Excursions! Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Cross Country Winners

A big congratulations to all students who participated in last week's Cross Country. It was a fantastic day and enjoyed by all. A special congratulations to the following students who were the winners in the specific age groups:

8/9 Years Boys

First: Lucas Blazevic Second: Ty Smith Third: Zaeclan Orayenza

10 Years Boys

First: Joseph Labbad Second: Byrone Sincero Third: Jarred Hide

11 Years Boys

First: Liam Bell Second: Adier Job Third: Aryan Sharma

12 Years Boy

First: Mitchell Holmes Second: Marco Blazevic Third: Emmanuel Adetunji

8/9 Years Girls

First: Betty Tanaki Second: Alexis Palu Third: Cleo Tuaimau

10 Years Girls

First: Isabella Lira-Loloa Second: Zaebriel Orayenza Third: Sienna Soares

11 Years Girls

First: Kristiana Ramos Second: Tanielle Farrell Third: Rosemary Shamoka

12 Years Girls

First: Tiana Da Silva Second: Andrea Tecson







Terms 2 & 3 Winter School and Sports Uniform

School Uniform

Girls

School Uniform Checked Tunic White Long Sleeve Blouse Checked Scissor Tie Green Hair Ribbons Grey Tights, or Grey Long Socks Black School Shoes Green Zip-Up Jacket School Uniform Hat

Boys

Black Long Pants White Long Sleeve Shirt Green Zip-Up Jacket Black Socks Black School Shoes School Checked Tie School Uniform Hat

Sports Uniform

Girls

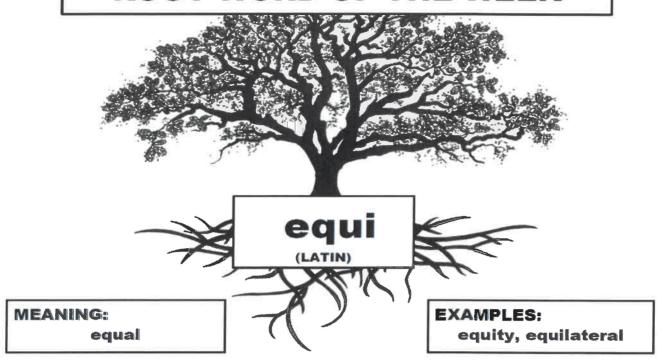
White Polo shirt with School Emblem
Bottle Green Shorts
Bottle Green Tracksuit Uniform
Predominantly White Joggers/Sneakers
A white skivvy (colder weather)
White Socks
School Uniform Hat

Boys

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Bottle Green Tracksuit Uniform
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A white skivvy (colder weather)
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School Uniform Hat

In cooler weather, a bottle green uniform tracksuit is worn, and a white skivvy may be worn under the white polo shirt.

ROOT WORD OF THE WEEK



Literacy Tips

DIFFERENT WAYS TO READ WITH YOUR CHILD

READ ALOUD

- Complete a picture walk before reading.
- Discuss/Predict · what will happen.
- Track print as you read.
- Ask questions before, during and after reading.
- Point out details in the illustrations.
- Use different voices for the characters.

ECHO READ

- Complete a picture walk before reading.
- Discuss/ Predict what will happen.
- Track print as you read.
- Read a
 sentence or
 page. Have
 your children
 echo the
 sentence or
 page back to
- Ask questions as you read.

YOU.

CHORAL READ

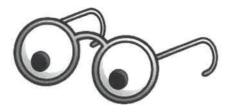
- Complete a picture walk before reading.
- Discuss/
 Predict what will happen.
- Track print as you read.
- Read the story out loud together at the same time.
 - Your child will use your guide if they are stuck on a word.

FOLLOW ME

- Complete a picture walk before reading.
- Discuss/Predict what will happen.
- Track print as you read.
- Begin by reading aloud.
 Stop in the middle of a sentence.
- Have your child read the next word.
- Continue reading aloud.

Created By Deana Kahienhei

Dear Parents, if your child has misplaced a pair of reading glasses, please call into the school office as we have quite a few glasses that have been handed in.



COSHC Notice

Dear Parents & Carers, please refer to the attached Autumn Vacation Care notice from Catholic Out of School Hours Care (COSHC). For all inquiries, please telephone the Contact Centre Supervisor on 0409 121 980.

School Holiday Activities

For suggestions for school holiday activities, why not visit your local council and enquire about their programs, or have a browse through the many wonderful books that they have to offer in the Library...



Catholic Education Office

School Zones

A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term 1 that school zones remain in place for the safety of our children and families.

School zones operate on all gazetted schools days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil free days.

PRC 2018 Calendar of Events

A copy of the calendar can be downloaded 2018 Calendar of Events for the Parents Representative Council (PRC). All parents and friends are welcome to attend.



From the Bishop's Office

The Permanent Diaconate: 6 May

The discernment program for those who are interested in finding out more about this Vocation will be held at St John 23rd Parish, 160 Perfection Avenue, Stanhope Gardens 2768. Come and learn more about vocations to the Diaconate and have a chat with our team members. We are looking for men aged between 35 to 55 and residing in the Diocese of Parramatta. Our discernment program consists of five sessions, with each session dealing with different aspects of the Diaconate. The meetings will commence at 3.00pm until 6.00pm followed by the Parish Mass and Fellowship. The 2018 dates on Sundays: 8 July, 9 September, 4 November. For further information visit www.parracatholic.org/permanent-diaconate or please contact any of the following deacons: Deacon James – 0425 213 832, Deacon Tan – 0407 270 782, Deacon George – 0408 440 769

PROCLAIM 2018: National Conference on Parish Renewal and Evangelisation 12 – 14 July 2018

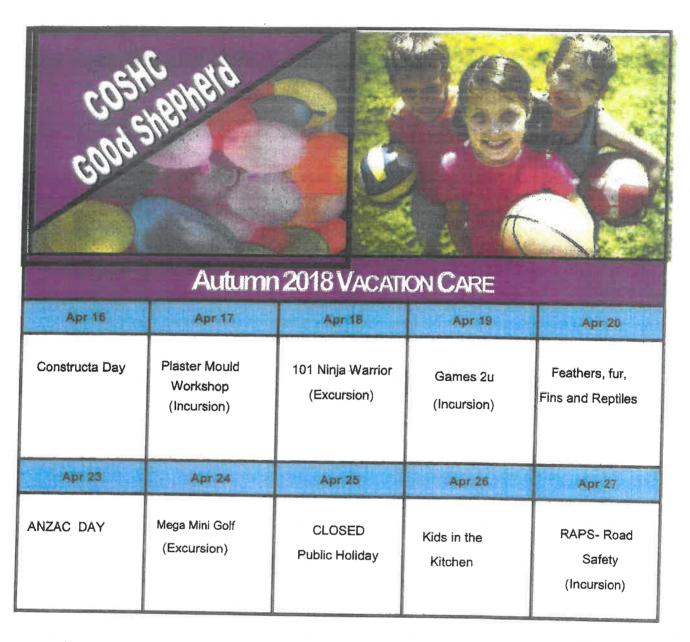
The Archdiocese of Brisbane, in collaboration with the ACBC's National Centre for Evangelisation, will host PROCLAIM 2018. This national conference will engage parishes and faith communities in a conversation focusing on five key areas: Leadership, Culture Change, Young People, Belonging and Evangelisation.

During the conference participants can attend keynote presentations, expert panel sessions and discussions facilitated by leaders with 'on the ground' experience. Ideally, this will help those participants to contribute to the formulation of some practical strategies to assist your parish or faith community's own goals in the areas of renewal and evangelisation.

Keynote speakers include Cardinal John Dew (Archdiocese of Wellington, New Zealand), Ron Huntley (Divine Renovation – Canada), Ms Lana Turvey-Collins (Plenary Council 2020 Facilitator), Mons Enrique Fiqaredo SJ (Cambodia) and host of PROCLAIM 2018 Archbishop Mark Coleridge (Archdiocese of Brisbane). To find out more visit www.proclaimconference.com.au and register at our early bird rate.

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Care is available each day from 7:00am-6.00pm. All excursions will depart by 8:00am and return by 4:00pm unless otherwise specified

Please return booking form in person or email to: coshcgoodshepherd@parra.catholic.edu.au
Contact Centre Supervisor on 0409 121 980

CLOSING DATE FOR BOOKINGS & PAYMENT: Thursday March 29



Week 1: Apr 16-20

Mon - Constructa day: Today we do a lot of constructing from recycled materials, food, lego, paper, clay and much, much more!

Tues - COSHC staff will run an Incursion on plaster moulds. Children will be able to paint their mould in any colour of their choice and will be excited to take it home. We will then continue the day with a messy play where we will make slime, moon sand, chalk bombs and make incredible edible sludge.

Weds -101 Ninja: Join in on the action at Sydney's newest Ninja Obstacle Course. The venue, located at the Futsal Institute, Wetherill Park, offers over 22 obstacles to overcome, a basketball slam dunk trampoline, a three-level warped wall to conquer and Sydney's only 2 ninja obstacle inflatable courses. Also on offer are soccer courts with instructors to facilitate games. Each child receives Ninja 101 Socks and a complimentary zooper dooper to keep the energy levels high enough to keep on tackling the course.

Thurs - Games 2u: Children will be able to play laser skirmish, roll in the hamster ball and play video games in the games truck.

Fri - Feathers, Fur, Fins and Reptiles: Today we look at many different types of Animals. We will decorate chameleons, play dinosaur eye spy, make hedgehog Clay sculptures, rainbow weaving fish and so much more!!!

Week 2: Apr 23-27

Mon- ANZAC DAY: Today we will look at the History of the ANZACS and Simpson and his donkey. We will make Vegemite scrolls, Damper, have Billy Tea and look at ways we can create a peaceful world.

Tues - Mini Golf, Campbelltown: Challenge your friends or try to beat your own best score.

Wed- Closed - ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Thurs - Cooking Fun day: Let's cook up a storm! We're going to make cookie and cream icebergs, space balls, pizza scrolls, cheese pastizzi's and grow beans in a jar. We will look at ways we can be safe in the kitchen and how we promote food handling and hygiene and healthy eating.

Fri - RAPS Road Safety: Join us for RAPS for Kids. Learn all about road safety from the Mobile Traffic Course. There are working traffic lights, pedestrian crossings, "children crossing" signs and flags "lolly pop" signs.

<u>Children Must Bring:</u> Fruit snacks, morning tea, lunch and a refillable drink bottle unless otherwise indicated. COSHC will supply breakfast and afternoon tea each day. Children will not be able to purchase food while off site. Please remember, COSHC is a NUT FREE Zone.

Children Must Wear: As per our Sun Safe Policy, all children must wear sun-safe clothing with sleeves and collar, enclosed sport shoes & socks and a sun-safe hat (Legionnaire hat or Bucket hat with a deep crown and wide brim) for all outdoor play including all excursions. Children must wear COSHC Hi-Vis Vests on all off site excursions.

Child Information	(As listed on	your enrolm	ent form)					
Child Name:				Age:	School	Year:		
Child Name:				Age:	School	Year:		
Child Name:				Age:	School	Year:		
Are children currently enrolled in COSHC for Before/After School Care? YES / NO If No. you will need to also complete a 2018 enrolment form								
If YES, which COSHC service do they attend?								
I hereby give my permission for my child/ren to participate in the excursions and incursions on the dates I have indicated on this booking form:								
Preferred Contact Number:								
Preferred Email Address:								
Parent/Carer Name:								
Parent/Carer Signature:								
Date:								
Please initial the box for each child, for each day of care that you require								
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CLOSING DA	ATE FOR F	AYMENT	S APRIL 4,	2018 -	TOTAL:	\$		

Parent / Guardian Permission (Please read and initial every statement)				
l understand that failure to make the full Vacation Care fee payment by April 4, 20 my child/ren's position at Vacation Care being cancelled without notice.	18, will result in			
understand that no further bookings OR changes to bookings will be a	ccepted after			
I agree to abide by all policies and procedures of Catholic Out of School Hours Ca	are.			
l accept that children will be supervised at all times, and that all travel between t excursion venue will be in privately booked buses with seatbelts.	he Centre and			
I understand that excursions are compulsory for all children booked in on that da that the number of participants will not exceed the licensed number.	y to attend and			
I understand that "Excursion and Incursion Risk Assessments" have been com the event and are available to me upon request.	ipleted prior to			
I understand that the ratio's that COSHC adheres to is 1:15 for onsite days excursions (water based excursions are 1:5). Additional carers will be rosted deemed to be necessary, based on the activity risk assessment.	and 1:8 for all red where it is			
I accept that it is my responsibility to ensure we are at the Centre by 8:00am on (unless another time is specified). I understand that the bus will not wait an make alternative care arrangements for my child/ren if we arrive late.	excursion days d I will need to			
I understand that I am required to sign my child in and out of the program eanotification is required to allow another person to collect my child if they are authorised contact.	ch day. Written not listed as an			
I understand that my children may be required to participate in activities that mand emotionally demanding. My children's participation in any activity is COSHC staff will duly exercise their Duty of Care.	ay be physically noncompulsory.			
I agree to support the centre in implementing the Sun Protection Policy by my child/ren wearin Sun-safe clothing with sleeves & collar, sun-safe hat and sports shoes & socks.				
I understand that all programs will continue in the event of inclement weather understand that should the scheduled venue need to change due to incleme back-up venues COSHC will use are the Movies, Bowling and Sydney A World.	quarium/Wildlife			
I understand that COSHC will take no responsibility for lost property. The electronic devices.	his includes all			
I give permission for my child/ren to have their face painted and hair sprayer centre program throughout the holidays.	d as part of the			
I understand that my enrolment form terms and conditions apply for Vacation After School Care.	Care, Before &			
Parent 1 Signature: Date:				
Parent 2 Signature: Date:				
Staff Signature: Date Received	!			