



## *Hassall Grove Outside School Hours & Vacation Care Newsletter*

TERM FOUR: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011

### **TERM 4**

**Welcome to our final newsletter for the year. It's hard to believe that the year is almost over.**

**We'd like to take the opportunity to wish our year 6 children all the very best for high school and hope to see them come back for a visit when they get a chance so we can hear all about year 7 (ooohhhh)**

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November** – Re-enrolments letters for 2012 must be handed in

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - Last day of Term 4. All Before & After School Care fees and Vacation Care fees must be paid up to date. Vacation Care Booking forms must be handed in.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Centre closed for Christmas/New Year period.

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January** – Public Holiday. Centre is closed.

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January** – Centre re-opens for Vacation Care.

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January** – Australia day. Centre closed.

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January** – Term 1 begins

### **PARENT INFO FOLDER**

We have introduced a parent information folder. This folder includes lots of information and resources for families on a range of different issues that children 5 – 12 years old may be associated with. Please feel free to have a look through this folder, which is located on the sign in table.

Please also feel free to have a look through our policies folder, which is located next to the parent information folder.

And as always, if you have any suggestions or feedback for the centre, feel free to fill in a form and pop it in our little red suggestion box on the sign in table.

### **SPOT CHECK**

On 6<sup>th</sup> September a Validator from the National Childcare Accreditation Council spent 3 hours with us in the afternoon conducting a spot check. We are happy to report that we did very well with the spot check and received great feedback.

### **END OF YEAR ENROLMENT PACKS**

Attached to this newsletter is a re-enrolment letter for 2012. This letter helps us find out who will need care for 2012. Please fill this letter out and hand it back to staff by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November. Once all letters are collected, re-enrolment packages will be distributed to parents to fill out.

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### ABSENCES

Please keep in mind that staff need to know if your child will be absent for any session they are booked in for.

We'd also like to remind our families that children only have an allowance of 42 absences a financial year. If a child has more than the 42 absences, CCB will only be paid for the days that the child attends and full fees will be charged for the days they are absent.

### STAFF TRAINING

Staff are continuously participating in training and recently participated in training for the National Quality Framework and National Quality Standards.

Staff came away from this training session with some great ideas and look forward to implementing some of these in the near future.

Future training sessions include:

**- Leaders Aren't Born, But We Can Create Them**

### VACTION CARE

Vacation Care is not only open to children from Hassall Grove Public School, but to all schools.

If you know someone who might need Vacation Care now or in the future, please let us know.

We'd love to contact them and provide them with some information.

### STAFF NEWS

Happy Birthday to Di who celebrated her birthday in early September!

Sadly we said goodbye to Jenna during the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the school holidays. We wish her all the best and hope she enjoys her new centre!

Emma and Rekha will be helping out while we look for another permanent staff member.

Louise will be off for week 2 of the term to enjoy a fishing trip down in Melbourne. We look forward to seeing the photos of the really huge fish she catches!

Emma, Rekha, Binni and Karen will be here during that week while Louise is away.

**Have any feedback on this newsletter?**

**Let us know!**

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