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MITCHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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VALUE OF THE
MONTH

RESPONSIBILITY



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

THANK YOU

The COVID-19 crisis continues to challenge us all, as it further evolves. I would like to thank all of our Mitcham Primary School community for your patience and support at this time. I do recognise that this is difficult and challenging for everyone, and that all families are concerned about the safety of their loved ones. While Coronavirus has left us anxious and sad, my heart has been warmed by experiences and stories of members of our community generously and selflessly reaching out to support others, thank you.

HARMONY DAY

Yesterday we celebrated Harmony Day, a celebration of inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all, regardless of cultural or linguistic background and united by a set of core Australian values. Our world now is in great need of harmony between humans and with the rest of the creation. To become more inclusive is to respect others and the natural world. When we understand and respect the needs of others, and when we can share what we have, all can be in harmony.



This week in our classrooms, our children have been discussing Harmony week. The message we are trying to instil in our children is that to live harmoniously in Australia, it is essential that we ensure that everyone from different backgrounds is made to feel equal and involved, and is treated with fairness and respect. Sometimes it can be difficult to reconcile what we learn in the classroom with what we see on television and in the newspapers.

While very different to other years, our Harmony Day celebrations yesterday were just fabulous and helped lift the spirits of all our students and staff during this very uncertain time. It was lovely being on yard duty in the morning, I was able to admire all the beautiful traditional costumes and loved seeing a sea of orange clad students eager to enjoy the day of planned activities. Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Week; this is because traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect. During the day, our students enjoyed rotating through a range of different cultural activities including Irish and Greek dancing, Bocce, Hawaiian leis making, flag making and so much more. The day really did demonstrate that everyone belongs in this diverse community of Australia especially right here in Mitcham Primary School.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Tuesday night was the School Council AGM and first School Council meeting of our 2020 School Council. At the meeting, we welcomed our new members and elected members to office bearing positions.

Our 2020 School Council office bearers are:

President - Lucille Matthews

Vice President - Heba El Hakim

Secretary - Nasra Higgins

Treasurer - Joel Curtis

Approval was sought and received for our 2019 Annual Report and the 2020 Annual Implementation Plan. The purpose of the Annual Report is to inform parents and the wider school community of the school's successes, activities and achievements throughout the previous year, this report will shortly

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK: CONTINUED

be endorsed by the Department of Education, and then we will publish it on our website.

Each year schools look closely at their priority areas and develop action plans to help them achieve the best possible outcomes for their students, this becomes our Annual Implementation Plan. The major priority areas for Mitcham PS in 2020 are:

- To ensure that all students achieve optimum learning growth in Literacy and Numeracy.
- To ensure levels of student and parent connectedness, motivation and engagement continue to be at a high level.
- To provide a safe, inclusive and motivating environment in order that all students have a positive learning experience, wherein their

own voice and agency is valued as important in their learning journey.

- To ensure that school human resources and provision of physical resources and school organisation maximises student-learning outcomes at all year levels.

The entire 2020 Annual Implementation Plan will be published on our website within the next week.

I remain deeply grateful for your understanding, flexibility, patience and the way you are continuing to support each other and our school in these extraordinary times. I wish you all a restful weekend.

Erin Norman
Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S DESK

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS / 3 – WAY CONFERENCES

Our 3-Way Conferences have been postponed for the time being. We will re-schedule these at a later date.

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

Please note that on the last day of term is **Friday 27th March**. School will finish at **2.30pm**.

EASTER RAFFLE

Many thanks to Lucille Matthews for organising this and to all the parents who have helped with the wrapping of the prizes. Your efforts are really appreciated. The raffle will be drawn and prizes distributed. There are many Easter prizes which I am sure will be most exciting for the lucky winners.

WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Unfortunately, we will not be holding the Cross Country event this term.

AFTER SCHOOL CHESS

Next Wednesday is the final session for this term. At this stage we are expecting chess will resume on the second week of Term 2, Wednesday 22nd April.

If you are interested in your child doing chess after

school next term, please let the office know.

Term 1 has been great to see the children develop their skills and strategies. Well done to all who participated. They all demonstrated good sportsmanship and improved their skills.

SCHOOL BANKING

There is no more school banking for Term 1.

REMINDERS

Icy pole Friday has finished for this term but will resume early Term 4 as usual.

CURRICULUM DAYS/PUPIL FREE DAYS

The next pupil free day will be on Thursday 16th April, which is in the first week of Term 4.

Students are not required at school on this day. OshClub will be operating provided there are enough bookings.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

This year the school photos will be taken on Tuesday 5th May. The company will send out packs to all students closer to the date.

Heather Wood

Assistant Principal



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IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT
27 March	Last Day Term 1: Early Dismissal 2.30pm
14 April	First Day Term 2
16 April	Student Free Day
22 April	Hockey Gala Day (selected students only) Earth Day
4 May	Compost Awareness Week
5 May	School Photos
6 May	Mothers Day Stall
7 May	Mothers Day Stall
11 May	District Cross Country Book Fair Open for Sales
12 May	Book Fair Open for Sales
13 May	Book Fair Open for Sales
14 May	Book Fair Last Day
16 May	MPS Open Day New Zealand Exchange Students Arrive
18 May	Grandparents & Special Person Day
21 May	Working Open Day
24 May	New Zealand Exchange Students Depart
26 May	Sorry Day
27 May	National Simultaneous Story Time
1 June	Grade 5/6 Camp Departs
2 June	Teeth on Wheels at MPS
3 June	Teeth on Wheels at MPS

DATE	EVENT
5 June	Grade 5/6 Camp Returns
8 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
12 June	Grade 5/6 Winter Sports
22 June	Grade 5/6 Winter Sports
26 June	Last Day Term 2
13 July	First Day Term 3
22 July	Grade 3/4 Camp Departs
24 July	Grade 3/4 Camp Returns
22—28 August	Book Week Begins
31 August	District Athletics
4 September	Grade 5/6 Summer Sports
11 September	Grade 5/6 Summer Sports
18 September	Last Day Term 3
5 October	First Day Term 4
30 October	New Zealand Exchange Students Depart Australia
3 November	Melb. Cup Day Holiday
4 November	Grades 3 - 6 Swimming Program Commences
6 November	New Zealand Exchange Students Return to Aus.
22 November	Grades 3 - 6 Swimming Program Concludes
23 November	Prep - 2 Swimming Program Commences
27 November	Prep - 2 Swimming Program Concludes
15 December	Grade 6 Graduation
18 December	Last Day Term 4

HARMONY DAY SNAPSHOTS



LUNCH ITEM ONE

SALADS

Greek Style Salad with Feta and Olives (V, GF)
 Thai Style Noodle Salad (V, GF)
 Tuna Mix with Brown Rice & Quinoa Cakes (V, GF)
 Mexican Inspired Salad (V, GF)
 Quinoa, Tabouli & Tuna Salad (GF)
 Pic(k)nic Box – Vegetarian (V, GF)
 Pic(k)nic Box with Ham (GF)
 Asian Style Slaw with Shredded Chicken (GF)

SUSHI

Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls (2)
 Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls (2)
 Avocado Hand Rolls (2)
 Cucumber Hand Rolls (2)
 Vegetarian Hand Rolls (2)

BAKERY

Cheese and Bacon Roll
 Cheese and Vegemite Scroll (w/m)
 Supreme Pizza Roll
 Topped with Only Cheese Roll

PITA PIZZA'S

Margherita Pita Pizza
 Ham and Pineapple Pita Pizza
 Fresh Tomato and Italian Herb Pita Pizza
 Spinach and Feta Pita Pizza

SANDWICHES, ROLLS & WRAPS

Ham, Cheese and Tomato Sandwich
 Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce and Cheese Sandwich
 Ham and Cheese Roll
 Gluten Free Ham & Cheese Sandwich (GF)
 Turkish Bread with Tzatziki, Spinach and Tomato
 Simple Salad Roll
 Cucumber & Ham Sandwich (GF)
 Vegemite Sandwich
 Wholemeal Roll – Simple Salad (No Cheese)
 Mild Salami and Salad Roll
 Beetroot and Salad Roll
 Roast Beef, Fruit Chutney, Cheese and Lettuce Roll
 Cheese and Salad Roll
 Wholegrain Cheese and Tomato Sandwich
 WRAP (GF) Ham and Salad
 GF Vegemite & Tasty Cheese Sandwich
 Chicken and Salad Roll
 Wholegrain ROLL Tuna and Salad
 Salad with Ham (No Cheese)

LUNCH ITEM TWO/THREE

FRESH FRUIT & VEG

Fresh Fruit Combo
 Freshly chopped Strawberries & Grapes
 Apple with Lemon Juice, Brown Sugar & Cinnamon
 Freshly chopped Cantaloupe & Watermelon
 Stewed Apple & Rhubarb with Custard
 Chopped Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum
 Freshly Chopped Watermelon Pieces
 Whole Fruit - Banana
 Freshly chopped Pineapple with Orange pieces
 Lightly Steamed Corn Wheels & Broccoli
 Sugar Snap Peas, Beans & Cherry Tomatoes
 Edamame (Lightly Salted)
 Cherry Tomatoes with Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers

BAKED GOODS

Choc Chip Cookie
 Hot X Bun
 Finger Bun with Sprinkles
 Banana Cup Cake (GF,DF)
 Iced Cup Cake
 Hedgehog Slice
 Choc Cup Cake (GF,DF)
 Blueberry Muffin

YOGHURT

Strawberry Chobani Yoghurt
 Blueberry Chobani Yoghurt
 Passionfruit Chobani Yoghurt
 Plain Chobani Yoghurt
 Chia, Banana, Coconut and Strawberry Bowl

DIPS & CRACKERS

Tzatziki Dip with Rice Crackers
 Avocado Dip with Rice Crackers
 Spring Onion Dip with Rice Crackers
 Pea & Mint Dip with Rice Crackers (DF)

POPCORN/SNACKS

Cobs Popcorn, Lightly Salted
 Cobs Popcorn Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted
 Lightly salted Fav'va Beans

DRINKS

Apple Juice
 Orange Juice
 Full Cream Milk
 Nippy's Chocolate Milk

FROM THE MITCHAM PRIMARY OFFICE

CSEF (CAMPS & SCHOOL EXCURSIONS FUND)

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend activities like:

- School camps or trips
- Swimming and school-organised sport programs
- Outdoor education programs
- Excursions and incursions.

Applications for 2020 are now open and will close at the end of Term 2. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply.

Successful applicants will receive \$125 per year for eligible primary school students. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the individual student. Most payments start from March onwards.

Payments are for the application year and cannot be claimed for previous years.

The CSEF payment cannot be used towards voluntary school charges, books, stationery, school uniforms, before/after school care, music lessons, or formals/graduations.

You will only need to submit an application form in 2020 if any of the following changes have occurred:

- Your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply at the same school in a previous year
- Changed family circumstances: such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

We are able to accept and process applications up until the end of term two each year.

The payment system only allows one application

per student. Parents in shared custody situations (who both hold a concession card) must make the decision beforehand who applies for the CSEF at the school on behalf of their children.

If you have already paid for some camp, sports or excursion costs up front, you have the option to

- Allocate the payment towards remaining activities in 2019
- Carry over the amount to be used on eligible activities in 2020

Please note, CSEF funds cannot be directly refunded to families.

If you think you may be eligible, and are yet to apply, or would like more information, please see the information and application sheets enclosed in the later pages of this newsletter. Alternatively, contact our school office for more information.

CENTREPAY

Centrepay is a free bill paying service that allows applicable families to pay bills and other costs, direct from their Centrelink payments.

Using Centrepay you can arrange regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. You can start, change, or stop using Centrepay whenever you like. You can use it for your regular bills and other ongoing expenses, such as rent, electricity, phone and school fees.

Contact the Mitcham Primary School Office, or [click here](#) for more information.

COMPASS

Have you logged into Compass yet? Compass is our new all-purpose communication platform for families at Mitcham Primary School. Using the login details provided on the letter sent home, [click here](#) or visit: mitchamps-vic.compass.education to log in and familiarise yourself with the platform.

MITCHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM ORDER FORM 2020

Pricing Effective from February the 1st 2020

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____ Send to School ☐

Family Name: _____ Contact Ph No: _____

Email: _____

SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERS CAN BE PLACED ONLINE AT: rhSports.com.au

Your school uniform is available at RHSports: Unit 12/100 New Street, Ringwood 3134. Open Monday - Friday: 9am-5pm Ph: 03 9870 1377.

Delivery to school is freight free, orders are sent weekly.

Please refer to our website for full details on delivery costs, refunds, returns and warranty queries.

	Style No.	Garment	Colour	Size C = Child Fit, A = Adult Fit	Price inc GST	ORDER		
						SIZE	QTY	TOTAL
GIRLS	RETMI-DR01	Summer Dress	Bottle / White 0097	C4-C6 C8-C10 C12-C16 A12-A18	\$48.00 \$50.00 \$54.00 \$56.00			
	TU-RH06	Winter Tunic	Bottle / Black / White 1009-9005	C4-C6 C8-C10 C12-C16 A12-A16	\$60.00 \$62.00 \$64.00 \$66.00			
	PA-RH03	Active Stretch Pant	Bottle	C4-C16 A12-A14	\$29.00 \$31.00			
	SK-SP01	Skort	Bottle	C4-C14 S-L	\$26.00 \$28.00			
	CU-RH01	Culotte	Bottle	C4-C16 A14-A18	\$28.00 \$30.00			
BOYS	PA-AG04	Trackpant Straight Leg Reinforced Knee	Bottle	C4-C16	\$28.00			
	SH-RH03	Gaberdine Short	Bottle	C4-C16 A14-A18	\$22.00 \$24.00			
UNISEX	RETMI-PS02	Acacia House Sports Polo (Grades 3-6)	Dark Bottle / Yellow / White	C8-C14 XS-2XL	\$48.00 \$50.00			
	RETMI-PS03	Grevillea House Sports Polo (Grades 3-6)	Dark Bottle / Red / White	C8-C14 XS-2XL	\$48.00 \$50.00			
	RETMI-PS04	Banksia House Sports Polo (Grades 3-6)	Dark Bottle / Emerald / White	C8-C14 XS-2XL	\$48.00 \$50.00			
	RETMI-PS05	Eucalyptus House Sports Polo (Grades 3-6)	Dark Bottle / Sapphire / White	C8-C14 XS-2XL	\$48.00 \$50.00			
	RETMI-PS01	Short Sleeve Polo	Bottle <input type="checkbox"/> or White <input type="checkbox"/>	C4-C16 A14-A20	\$32.00 \$34.00			
	RETMI-PL01	Long Sleeve Polo	Bottle <input type="checkbox"/> or White <input type="checkbox"/>	C4-C16 A14-A18	\$34.00 \$36.00			
	RETMI-WI01	Windcheater	Bottle	C4-C16 A14-A18	\$29.00 \$33.00			
	RETMI-BJ01	Bomber Jacket	Bottle	C4-C16 A14-A18	\$46.00 \$50.00			
HATS, BAGS & ACCESSORIES	SM-RH01	Art Smock	Red <input type="checkbox"/> or Royal <input type="checkbox"/>	S, M, L	\$19.00			
	RETMI-HA04	Legionnaire Hat	Bottle	One Size	\$13.50			
	RETMI-HA03	Bucket Hat	Bottle	S/M, L/XL	\$14.00			
	RETMI-BA01	School Bag – Nyda Active Pak Lite Primary	Bottle	One Size – 25 Litre	\$45.00			
	SO-SP04	Turnover Ankle Socks 2pk	White	9-12, 13-3, 2-8, 7-11	\$12.00			
	SO-AF01	Foldover Ankle Socks 3pk	White	9-12, 13-3, 2-8, 7-11	\$15.00			
	TI-PB01	Tights – Cotton Blend	Bottle	4-6, 7-10, 11-14	\$12.00			

Credit Card: <input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> Master Card	*We do not accept cheques, AMEX or Diners	Total Amount: \$ _____
Card Number: <input type="text"/>	CCV: <input type="text"/>	
Card Holder's Name: _____	Card Holder's Signature: _____	Expiry Date: <input type="text"/>

Dear Mitcham OSHClub Parents,

We wish everyone a Happy Harmony Day this Saturday.

This week our theme has been diversity and getting ready for Harmony Day. Each afternoon we selected a different country to celebrate. We centred our activities and cooked a cultural meal, specific to that country. For example:

- Monday, we celebrated India and served children Roti bread.
- Tuesday was Mexico, we served tacos
- Wednesday was Turkey themed, we had Turkish bread and dip
- Thursday was Italy, we had pizza, one of the children's favourites!
- Friday, we celebrated Japan and therefore had sushi as the snack.

Some activities we did this week included writing 'hello' in 12 different languages, creating a Harmony Week badge, using paint to make Harmony handprints, Japanese origami, Henna hand crafts, colouring in, and more.

HAND WASHING

We are constantly monitoring the children's hand washing routine. We have reiterated to the children that they must wash their hands for 20 seconds or more. Some ways we have suggested this to them is by signing the alphabet or singing the happy birthday song while washing hands.

PUPIL FREE

Monday 23rd March is no longer a Pupil Free Day it will be a normal school day. We will still be running before and after school care as normal.

If you have any concerns and or questions regarding the COVID-19 situation, please communicate this to our staff.

Have a safe weekend.

PETER RABBIT MOVIE CHALLENGE

We will continue running the competition at Mitcham OSHClub till the end of next week, giving the children a chance to WIN a family pass to the Peter Rabbit 2 movie. To win children will need to collect Peter Rabbit points. They can do this by showing staff member good behaviour. Winners will be announced 27th March.

AUTUMN VACATION CARE

Bookings are now open for the Autumn School Holidays at MITCHAM OSHCLUB. Please find the attached brochure outlining all the exciting activities, incursions and excursions on offer each day. To place the bookings you require please log into your account.

BOOKING INTO OSHCLUB

Remember, ensuring your children are booked to attend OSHClub helps us cater for your children's needs and ensure we are compliant with national regulations and OSHClub policy. If you are having difficulty using the OSHClub online booking system, please call head office on **1300 395 735**. Otherwise, you can book your child into the program on the day by calling or texting 0422 097 497. Program times are from 7.00am - 9.00am and 2.30pm - 6.30pm, bookings will be confirmed during these times. Please notify the program if your child will be absent if you are unable to cancel the booking online. A courtesy phone call, voicemail or text will be highly appreciated and allow our team to focus on the children in attendance.

WEEK 9: BEFORE SCHOOL CARE	
DAY	ACTIVITY
MONDAY	Paper Chain Craft & Moovosity
TUESDAY	Chalk Drawing & Table Soccer
WEDNESDAY	Egg Hunt & Children's Choice Game
THURSDAY	Easter Colouring & Card Games
FRIDAY	Welcome to VAC Sign & Easter Song

WEEK 9: AFTER SCHOOL CARE	
DAY	ACTIVITY
MONDAY	Rainbow Craft & Dusty Museum Game
TUESDAY	Activity Preparation for VAC & Catch the Bunny Game
WEDNESDAY	Talent Show & Tennis
THURSDAY	'Welcome to Term 2' Sign & Display
FRIDAY	Easter Headband & Playground Fun

Enrol Now: www.oshclub.com.au

OSHClub Program Phone: 0422 097 497

OSHClub Head Office: 1300 395 735

Mitcham OSHClub Presents

PETER RABBIT 2 **MOVIE COMPETITION**

Thanks to Sony Pictures, we're giving away one family movie pass to the upcoming animated comedy Peter Rabbit 2!

Starting next week, Monday 16 March, we will be running a competition at Mitcham OSHClub giving all the children at the service a chance to WIN the family pass giveaway.

How to Win?

Collect 'Peter Rabbit Point's for good behaviour!

'Peter Rabbit Points' will be awarded by OSHClub Staff to students demonstrating good behaviour. The student with the most points wins!

Winner Announced:

Friday 27 March, 2020



NOTICE - ALLERGY - Please ensure all food is nut free

EX CURSION

IN CURSION

Monday 30 March

IN + \$23.00

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

INCURSION - BUILD A BEAR WORKSHOP

Bring to life your very own Build A Bear in our FURbulous Build-A-Bear Workshop! Your new furry friend will be pre-filled with just the right amount of cuddliness, ready for you to add your own heart and personal touches.



Monday 06 April

IN + \$14.00

THE CRAFTY FOX

INCURSION - CRAFTPOWER: BUILD YOUR OWN BILLY GO CART

Get creative while learning to use wood work tools safely and build a 3D dragster push-pull car to keep



Tuesday 31 March

A DAY IN PARIS

IN-SERVICE

Bonjour! Today lets explore what Paris has to offer!



Tuesday 07 April

EX + \$35.00

KALEIDOSCOPIIC COLOUR

EXCURSION - LATITUDE

Bounce, Climb and Fly as you challenge yourself on the trampolines, rock walls and ropes course at Latitude Heidelberg.



Wednesday 01 April

EX + \$35.00

AUTUMN IN OUR BACKYARD

EXCURSION - TASK WORKS

Work with your friends as you complete tasks and challenges in the fastest time!



Please arrive by 8.30am

Thursday 02 April

GREEN MACHINE

IN-SERVICE

It's a great day to go green today! Dress, eat and think green all day.



Wednesday 08 April

IN + \$23.00

REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE

INCURSION - EXPLORING ENERGY

Today we explore different types of energy. Discuss where the energy in our bodies comes from, and where the energy used in our cars and houses come from. We investigate hands-on examples of energy transformation and create a giant circuit as a team!



Thursday 09 April

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

IN-SERVICE

Celebrate the Easter Season with us today!



Friday 03 April

IN + \$18.00

BUBBLE BOUNCE

INCURSION - BUBBLE SOCCER

Have laugh out loud fun as you strap yourself in for some bubble soccer fun. You will be running/rolling around while being strapped into a Zorb Ball.



Friday 10 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SERVICE CLOSED



Junior Adventures Group continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 50,000 families and more than 450 schools across Australia.

Our Values

- Considerate - Be there for others
- Passionate - Bring energy and determination
- Courageous - Challenge ourselves

The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to **build brighter futures together.**

Vacation Care

OSHClub

Before & After School Care



What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment
- Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends
- OSHClub endeavour to link each fun experience to key learning outcomes



We are a child safe organisation



What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink bottle.

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smartphones) at home.



Healthy Eating

OSHClub follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at <https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au>

Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (due to unforeseen circumstances) is cancelled, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided where possible.



Before making your booking & cancellations

All children must be enrolled with OSHClub prior to booking via oshclub.com.au. Bookings made within 5 days for a Vacation Care session will incur an extra charge of \$4.00 per day per child. 7 days notice is required for cancellation of a Vacation Care booking to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs. Please note that bookings cannot be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the service directly, the Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 395 735 or by emailing oshaccounts@junioradventuresgroup.com.au.

Child care subsidy

Our services are registered with Centrelink, so you will be able to claim Child Care Subsidy on your fees. For further information please visit <https://www.education.gov.au/new-child-care-package-frequently-asked-questions>.



Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on 0422 097 497 for staffing purposes.



**kid
zone**

For Primary Schoolers



**Thursdays
4pm-5:30pm
\$5 donation**

**325 Mitcham Rd,
Mitcham
Phone: 9873 4822**

**For further information contact
Tristan on 0401 691 160**

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit
www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2019.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname _____

First name _____

Address _____

Town/suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number _____

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

- - - **OR**

☐ Foster parent* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____

CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2019) or term two (23 April 2019).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2019 closes on 28 June, 2019.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.