



# St Andrew's OSHC

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It is hard to believe that the September holidays are only 3 weeks away. This year has flown by so quickly.

It has been a very sad & difficult time for my family this term. My mother was knocked down by a vehicle and seriously injured at the start of the last holidays, however, she was stabilized enough to fly her to Brisbane for critical care. For 8 weeks she fought a very

tough battle to stay with us, and we thought that she was going to beat the odds. Sadly, this was not to be and she succumbed to the injuries that she received and lost her battle two weeks ago. I would like to thank families who remembered us in their prayers and sent their condolences, your thoughts are very much appreciated.

I do hope to have everything caught up and accounts will be emailed out by the end of the week.

The busiest time of day for OSHC is from 2.40pm to 4.00pm. When the children come out of school and have lots of energy to burn, it does take extra time to check the roll and serve afternoon tea etc. We would appreciate it if parents could organise another time for enquiries etc. I am available every morning from 7.00am to 9.00am, and in the afternoons after 4.00pm to discuss any concerns.

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## Vac Care

The Vac Care Program, booking form and excursion permission forms will all be available for downloading from our website by next Monday. Staff rosters will be

finalized on the Wednesday prior to the holidays commencing, therefore extra staff may not be available for late bookings.

A reminder that the new fee increase took effect on June 30th. New fees are:

**BSC — \$8.00**

**ASC — \$12.00**

**Vac Care — \$27.00**

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## Enrollment Forms for 2009

The new enrolment forms for 2009 are now available for downloading on our website. If you don't have access to the website, please ask me and for a copy. Places for 2009 will only be kept for those families who have returned the new form by **31st October**, and other places will be given to new enrolments after this date.

There are a couple of small changes to the new form, including request for parent's birthdate. This is a new requirement from Centerlink, and parents will not be able to claim any CCB or the "50% out of pocket" rebate without supplying this information.

Over the last few weeks we have had numerous requests during the mornings for bookings for the same afternoon. Unfortunately, many child care centres are experiencing a staffing shortage, which makes it difficult for us to accept extra bookings, therefore, we may not have a place for your child. If you know in advance, that your child will not need care for a session, please let us know ASAP so that place can be given to another child. We have been having a large number of children not attending, without having been cancelled. A

## Bookings & Cancellations

reminder that fees will be charged for bookings unless 24hrs notice is given. If children are ill, a medical certificate is required, as well as a phone call to notify the centre.



## OSHC Concert - Saturday, 20th September, 2008.

I do apologise for the change of date for the concert. The only suitable date that I can get is the last Saturday before the holidays, 20th Sept. We will have two of our staff away for all of Oct and Nov will be busy with Christmas parties., therefore this is the only date which is suitable. If your child is in the concert and will

not be able to attend on the new date, could you please let me know ASAP, so that we can make adjustments to our performances.



### *Interesting Thoughts:*

*We are not given a dream,  
without the power to make it come true.*

*There are those who believe that things cannot be done, so don't interrupt those who are busy doing it.*

## Healthy Eating & Nutrition

I have previously mentioned organising an information session for parents/carers, regarding healthy eating & nutrition for children. I am looking for expressions of interest, (I only received one response last time), & if enough interest is shown, I can organize a session at a

and the session is free of charge to OSHC families. Expressions of interest may be registered on a sheet located near the attendance sheet.

Thankyou for taking the time to read the newsletter and keeping up to date with events happening at OSHC.

Thankyou,  
Jayne Browne  
(Co-ordinator)

