

Evelyn Scott School OSHC Newsletter (Term Four-2021)

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Operational Hours

Before School Care: 6.45am to 9.00am

After School Care: 3.00pm to 6.00pm

School Holiday Program: 6:45am to 6:00pm

Welcome Back

Welcome back! We are clearly thrilled to have children back to the OSHC again. We understand a return to school and OSHC for some children may be challenging after being away from school for so long. We are working on a program that will help and support this transition back into OSHC. We will emphasise rebuilding relationships with children, developing confidence, self-esteem and resilience as learners and supporting children to re-familiarise them with routines and systems. It will be important to:

- Prepare children for what awaits them
- Get them back into a routine
- Listen to children
- Encourage them to talk
- Provide security

Overview of Term 1, 2, and 3

Each term follows the interests of the children and develops foundational skills. Programs include intentional teaching, experiences that follow the children's interests and activities to develop creativity skills, fine motor skills. We will continue to work closely with the school to mirror the learning that occurs in the classroom, celebrating important days and

encouraging positive learning experiences. We have been so impressed this year with the friendships and positive relationships that have developed across all year groups. It is wonderful to see the children connecting with friends as they engage in positive play. Families have been a great support and we look forward to many more positive learning opportunities for our children.

Back to OSHC (Program Term 4)

Evelyn Scott School and OSHC are introducing a range of COVID-19 health and safety measures to protect students and staff. This means that we have needed to change some of our procedures. We have developed a COVID-19 Safety Action Plan to keep our staff and children safe during the pandemic.

This term, we aim to focus on *Global Citizenship* and *Identity* by encouraging children to:

- Form their own appreciation of world events
- Reflect on their values and what's important to them
- Take learning into the real world
- Have a voice of their own
- Celebrating national and international days

We will facilitate dramatic play that will encourage the development of communication and social skills, in a play-based setting. Our staff will engage children in a meaningful educational program that recognises the importance of play and leisure in a child's life.

Children's Medication

We would like to remind families that the Asthma Action Plans / Anaphylaxis Action Plans and medications have expiry dates. If your child requires these, please provide the service with your child's information on his or her medication. The plans and medication is valid for 12 months from the issue date (or if any details or requirements change). We will do our best to notify you if the medication or Action Plan is soon to expire.

If you have any questions, please speak to the Coordinator.

Absences

Please notify us if your child is absent or away. We can be contacted via call or text on **0431 820 289** or email: evelynscott.oshc@wcs.org.au or through enrolments.

It is not the responsibility of the Evelyn Scott School's front office to inform OSHC about absences. It is the responsibility of the family to notify the centre.

Kiosk (sign in and out)

Please notify us beforehand if you have made alternative arrangements for the collection of your child / children from afters, could you please notify us either in person, by email evelynscott.oshc@wcs.org.au or text using the service mobile phone > **0431 820 289**. We would like to kindly request that when signing children out, families **do not share your phone no. and pin with other friends or families.** It is a legal requirement that the person responsible for signing your child out has their own log in. In case of an emergency, please send us an email or text message about the pick up request.

Secondary Contacts

It is best practice for us to have more than one set of contact details for each child on file. If you haven't already done so, could you please provide at least two contact details in case if there is an emergency.

Evelyn Scott School Recipes & Cookbook

As our centre caters to children from a wonderfully diverse background, we thought it would be a great idea to collect recipes and create a cookbook for our centre. We are asking for families to share some of your favourite recipes. We will then compile these recipes into a book which we can share and use to teach our children to cook.



Currently, cupcakes and cookies are very popular with our children. They have really enjoyed baking and eating them!

Donation to School Age Care Program

If you have any spare toys and games not being used at home, they would be gratefully received by the centre. Matchbox cars, Lego, Craft items would be great additions to the Centre. We would also be very happy with donations of garden pots or plants and any succulent cuttings.

A big thank you to those families who have already donated some really wonderful toys, games and resources.



Resources donated by families

Surveys/Suggestions

Please share your comments/feedback about the program and let us know if there is anything you want us to improve. Your feedback is very important to us. Suggestion and feedback forms can be found on the family lounge near the sign in desk.

WCS Policies and Procedures and the Education and Care Services National Laws and Regulations

A reminder that the WCS Policies and Procedures are available on the family lounge in a form of a QR Code including Children's Services P & P.

The Education and Care Services National Laws and Regulations are also available on QR code for your convenience.

Evelyn Scott OSHC Philosophy and Acknowledgment of the country

We are happy to state that Evelyn Scott School OSHC has developed its philosophy and Acknowledgment of Country with the help of our wonderful children, families, Woden Community Service and the school. The background image of our Acknowledgment of Country has been designed by our children.

Acknowledgment of Country



EVELYN SCOTT SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

We are committed to deliver safe and caring programs that supports children’s choice via honesty, inclusion, compassion, awareness, spontaneity, and adaptation.

To achieve this, we integrate respectful relationships with children, families, communities, and the school.

As educators, we feel that children learn best when they have secure relationships with caring and responsive educators. We value each child’s qualities, interests, abilities, and knowledge and nurture them so that they can learn in a respectful environment with a sense of safety and comfort.

We provide a stress free, home like atmosphere for our children through dedicated space for learning and encouraging independent work or play. We also support learning through various cycle based learning experiences such as critical thinking, skill development, imagination, creativity and team work.

Our Philosophy was developed in collaboration with Woden Community Service, Evelyn Scott School, Families, and Children.

Term 4 Menu

The Term 4 Menu is planned depending upon the dietary requirements of the children and keeping in mind the principles of healthy eating. We also serve an appealing and wide variety of foods of different colours and textures. The Menu will be displayed on the whiteboard for your information and we will provide a copy for you.

Evelyn Scott BSC and ASC (Day)

Before School Care

- 6:45am – Staff start the morning shift and assist with room set up for variety of play
- 7:00am – Children start their day at BSC
- 8:00am – Children can move outside if the weather is above 3 degrees
- 8:30am – Children with permission notes can leave the service to join their friends in the school
- 8:45am – Pack up and play group games
- 8:50am – Preschoolers move over to class
- 8:55am – All children leave and get ready for the bird to chirp.

After School Care

- 3:00pm – Children arrive, apply sunscreen, wash

- their hands, and get ready for group time
- 3:15pm - Line up for afternoon tea
- 3:30pm – We set up afternoon experiences on the tables and go outside
- 3:45 to 5:30pm – Indoor/ Outdoor activities (planned/ child-led)
- 5:30pm– Pack up time
- 5:45 to 6:00pm – We play group games inside
- 6:00pm – Closing time

As the weather warms up, children will spend more time outdoors.

Children’s Experiences and learning outcome

At Evelyn Scott School OSHC, we like to showcase our children’s experiences and their learning outcomes. You will see these displayed on the right-hand side of the wall as you enter the service.

This wall is dedicated to the children of OSHC, who have a special way of adding joy to what we do.

Children Participating in Various Experiences

CAN YOU SPOT YOUR CHILD?

The pose begins when you want to leave it



It's when you follow the rain clouds that you find out where the rainbows are hiding



Create the conditions for invention rather than provide ready-made knowledge



The best way to learn is first hand experience



Creativity doesn't wait for the perfect moment



When children start working together, things will always start looking better



Individual commitment to a group effort--that is what makes a team work



Connecting children with indigenous art



Happiness is jumping on a trampoline!



Outdoor Olympics



Fun Sand Play - looking at these children, I no longer want to be an adult!



Learning and Teaching Gymnastics

