

# The Junction Works

## Holsworthy OOSH News

*For parents and carers*

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### Dear Parents and Carers

At Holsworthy OOSH and Vacation Care we have been working hard on developing a Vacation Care Program that will excite and stimulate your children over the long summer holidays.

A range of in-centre activities, incursions and excursions have been included. Parents have the choice as to whether their children attend excursions or remain at the centre to participate in the activities planned for that day.

A copy of the program and booking form can be obtained from our centre or at The Junction Works website at [www.thejunctionworks.org/services/children-services/vacation/](http://www.thejunctionworks.org/services/children-services/vacation/).

Please note that Vacation Care needs to be booked and paid for in advance. Please complete your Vacation Care booking form and return it to Holsworthy OOSH with payment by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

Booking in advance assists us to run all programmed activities such as excursions. Unfortunately last Vacation Care we had to cancel some excursions as we didn't have enough children booked in to purchase tickets.

### What we've been up to at Before and After School Care....

Following our visit to the Sustainability Centre in the last Vacation Care, we've been busy fixing up our gardens, planting new seedlings, watering and composting.

Mayowa has taken great pride composting our scraps each day. *Thanks Mayowa!*

(More photos are at the back of this newsletter)



## DATES & REMINDERS

### Last Day of School

Friday 16 December



### Christmas Closure

21 Dec 2016 - 6 Jan 2017



### December Vacation Care

19 & 20 December 2016



### OOSH Christmas Party

Tuesday 20 December  
3pm-6pm

*More details to follow*



### January Vacation Care

9 to 27 January 2017



### Australia Day

26 January 2015



The team at Holsworthy OOSH and Vacation Care wish all our families a very happy festive season and a relaxing start to the New Year!

## Staff Profile: Imran

### How long have you worked for the TJW

5 months

### My favourite thing about my job

Interacting with the children

### What I enjoy doing in my spare time

I enjoy fishing, rugby league and spending time with my family and friends

### What most people don't know about me

I have finished my undergraduate degree at university which was Bachelor of Health Science (Health Promotion and Therapeutic Recreation).



## Thinking about the Summer Holidays?

Holsworthy OOSH provides a cost effective, stimulating vacation care program for primary school children on either a daily or weekly basis.

With a great range of indoor and outdoor activities, incursions and excursions, Holsworthy Vacation Care will ensure your children enjoy the holidays.

### Summer Vacation Care

19 and 20 December 2016

and

9 to 27 January 2017

Vacation Care Fees are required to be paid in full by

**9 December 2016**

**Call 9825 3080 for further details.**

If you or your children have ideas about what they'd like to do at Holsworthy Vacation Care, let us know!

We aim to ensure your children have a great time!

## National Quality Framework

The National Quality Framework raises quality and drives continuous improvement and consistency in Australian education and care services. Each Newsletter we highlight one of seven Quality Areas.

### Quality Area 3: Physical Environment

**Standard 3.1** The design and location of the premises is appropriate for the operation of a service.

**Standard 3.2** The environment is inclusive, promotes competence, independent exploration and learning through play.

**Standard 3.3** The service takes an active role in caring for its environment and contributes to a sustainable future.

### What does this mean for our service?

It means we embed sustainable practices into our service operations; children are supported to become environmentally responsible; indoor and outdoor spaces are suitable for purpose; and we keep the centre clean and safe.

<http://www.acecqa.gov.au/>

## WHAT OUR OOSH KID'S THINK

As part of our on-going improvement plan we seek the opinion of the children who attend The Junction Works Holsworthy OOSH and consider their answers as an important aspect of maintaining a High Quality Service. This issue's question is ...

### What are your favourite activities at OOSH?

**Ella and Nirvana**- Dancing

**Elka and Tayla** - Skip BO

**Vish**- UNO

**Mayowa**- drawing and Simon Air

**Tyler B**- playing soccer with Kerry

**Sahana**- Cluedo

**Emma and Ria C**- Art

**Alyssa**- playing on the outdoor equipment

**Amy**- playing on the Monkey Bars

**Kareem**- Soccer and Baseball

**Mursal**- Origami

**Joshua G** - **Silent ball**

**Makayla D**- Snap

**Nashia**- creative play with blocks

**Dara and Alicia** - Simon Air

**Abigail, Annissa, Harshita and Aleena**- Water fights!

**Angelina**- Heads down thumbs up and Sleeping Lions

### How to Play Silent Ball

The Leader counts down, "3, 2, 1, silent" and passes the ball to another person in the play area, who silently passes the ball onto another player, and so on.

A player must **sit down** if:

- S/he drops the ball.
- S/he makes a bad pass.
- S/he talks or make noise.



Play continues until only one person is left.

The last player standing gets to be first to throw the ball in the next round. All players who were sitting may return to play at the start of a new round.

## Seeking all Feedback!

We believe that your input helps us to improve our services. If there is something about our centre, or if you have a great idea, great afternoon tea idea or would like to see something changed or added to the program...don't hesitate to tell us or write it down and pop it in the parents suggestion box on the sign in counter.

"Tell us what you think!"



All suggestions are welcome and appreciated. You can also provide feedback through our suggestion box or through our dedicated email address at [feedback@thejunctionworks.org](mailto:feedback@thejunctionworks.org)



# For the Fridge Door

## Fees

Please note that all fees up to the end of Term 4 are required to be paid by **Friday, 2 December 2016**.

Fees for the first two weeks of OOSH for Term 1, 2017 will be charged on **Friday 27 January 2017**.

All fees are to be paid by direct debit.

## Direct Debit Dates: Term 1, 2017

Friday 27 January 2017 for the start of Term 1

Friday 10 February 2017

Friday 24 February 2017

Friday 10 March 2017

Friday 24 March 2017

Friday 7 April 2017

## Are you leaving OOSH or Changing Care Days?

Just a reminder that we require two weeks' notice if you are dropping a day of care or leaving Holsworthy OOSH in 2017. Please complete a *Giving Notice Form* available from our centre.

Please note that you will still be charged for days where we are holding a position for your child but he / she does not attend.

## Holsworthy OOSH Website

<http://www.thejunctionworks.org/ServiceSolutions/HolsworthyOOSH.aspx>

