



VACATION CARE PROGRAM



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Week 1



Monday 15 April

LET'S GET SLIMEY

Today we are going to be exploring different types of SLIME that we can make using other ingredients, so get ready to get slimey!

We are also going to head to the movies in Muswellbrook to enjoy some yummy popcorn and the movie Wonder Park.



Inside/Craft Slime, slime and more slime & Playing Heads Down Thumbs Up

Outside Modified hockey

Excursion.....Muswellbrook Movies,

Cost..... \$18

Time..... Depart for movies at 10:15am

Afternoon tea Fruit platter, Lemonade scones

LOC .4 4.1 5.3 2.3 4.2

Tuesday 16 April

GYMNASTICS SKILLS

We are headed off for some Gymnastics skills this morning at the Scone Youth Centre. Please ensure your child is wearing enclosed shoes, has a hat and a drink bottle to take with them.

Solar Powered Cars are going to keep us busy this afternoon, with the children making their own to take home.



Inside/Craft Loom bands & Solarpowered cars

Outside Stuck in the mud

Excursion..... Gymnastics

Cost..... \$5

Time..... Leaving SOOSH at 10:00am

Afternoon tea..... Fruit platter, Banana muffins

LOC: 4.1 5.3 2.3

Wednesday 17 April

EASTER CRAFT

All things Easter today!

We will have a little Art Show and judge some creative Easter baskets to win a prize. We are going to make some salt dough Easter eggs to take home and enjoy an Easter egg hunt outside. After all these yummy treats, we will get our bodies moving at Pulse.



Inside/Craft Easter baskets, Salt dough Easter eggs

Outside Easter egg hunt

Excursion Pulse

Cost \$8

Time Leaving SOOSH at 10:45am

Afternoon tea Fruit platter, Easter egg slice, Party food

LOC 4.2 3.2 4.1 2.3

Thursday 18 April

TENNIS CAMP

This morning we are headed down to the Scone Tennis courts for some Tennis activities. Please remember to wear enclosed shoes and pack a hat and water bottle. Getting creative with some raffia, making weaved baskets.



Inside/Craft Weaving baskets, Twister

Outside Soosh obstacle course

Excursion Scone tennis courts

Cost \$7

Time Leaving SOOSH at 10:00am

Afternoon tea Fruit platter, ham/chicken salad wraps

LOC 4.2 3.2 4.1 2.3 1.1

Friday 19 April - no SOOSH on public holidays



WEEK 2

Monday 2 April - no SOOSH on public Holidays

Tuesday 23 April 2019

NINJA PARC

Have you watched Ninja Warrior? Today SOOSH are headed to Newcastle to try and conquer the obstacle course at the Ninja Parc!

Please make sure your child has the appropriate enclosed shoes, plenty of water and snacks. Lunch will be provided.

Excursion....Ninja Parc, Newcastle

Cost.....\$35

Time....Leaving SOOSH at 9:00am

Afternoon tea...Only lunch will be supplied today, please bring your own snacks and water

LOC: 1.1 4.1 4.4 2.3 2.4

Wednesday 24 April

LIBRARY VISIT

This morning we are going to get busy as we decorate our very own library bag to take home. Today we will discuss the importance of ANZAC day whilst making some craft and enjoy a yummy ANZAC slice.



Inside/Craft.....Take home library bag creations
Outside.....Scratchboard lanterns, Skipping
Excursion.....Scone library excursion
Cost.....\$5
Time.....Leaving SOOSH at 1:30pm
Afternoon tea.Fruit platter, Anzac cookies/slice

LOC: 4.1 2.3 1.1

Thursday 25 April - no SOOSH on public holidays

Friday 26 April

YOGA

Ever tried Yoga before?

This morning SOOSH is getting a lesson from Kate, who is an instructor. We are going to get crafty and make some sand bracelets and enjoy a bit of a relaxed afternoon before Term 2 starts. Feel free to bring some party food to share.



Inside/Craft
Sand bracelets, Chocolate game
Outside
Pac man, Tee pees and Indians
Afternoon tea.....
Fruit platter, Sausage sizzle

LOC: 4.1 3.1 2.3

SOOSH VACATION CARE INFORMATION

Cost:

\$55.00 per child per day

Excursions and special activities may require an additional fee. This fee will be added to your account.

Hours

8.00am - 6.00pm

Late Fee

\$15 for the first 15 minutes after 6.00pm, and \$15 for each additional 15 minutes or part thereof. Late fees are charged per child.

EG 6.00pm - 6.15pm = \$15.00

6.15pm - 6.30pm = \$30.00

What to send with your child

Clothing

Ensure your child brings a hat, and appropriate clothing and footwear for seasonal change and excursions.

Children and staff must wear hats, sunscreen and appropriate clothing whilst participating in outdoor activities.

SOOSH provides sunscreen.

Food

BYO lunch and morning tea. Afternoon tea is provided, as detailed in the program.

PLEASE ensure that the meals you provide are healthy and nutritious.

SOOSH is a nut-free zone.

Please ensure all property is clearly marked with your child's name.

SOOSH is for ages 5-12 years only

SOOSH accepts children from the ages of 5-12 years.

Children must be attending or enrolled to attend primary school prior to starting care.

Children are regarded as being school aged from 1 January in the year they are enrolled to attend school.

An enrolment form for all children attending SOOSH must be completed prior to each child starting care.

Child behaviour management policy

Bullying, bad language and harassment of other children and staff will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Extreme or consistent bad behaviour will result in the child being sent home.

Attendance

If your child will be absent on a booked day please call and inform the staff before the session starts. Normal fees apply.

Booking your child into SOOSH

Use a Vacation Care Booking Form. All verbal bookings must be followed up with a completed and signed booking form, which can be collected at SOOSH, the Council Administration Centre at Scone, or at upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Cancellations

Fees will not be refunded unless a minimum of seven day's notice is given.

Benefits and Rebates

Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate is available to eligible families. Call the Family Department of Human Services on 13 61 50 to discuss your circumstances and entitlements. Note: a **customer reference number** must be provided to claim any entitlements.

Priority of access

SOOSH services are offered to the general community. Priority of Access will be given to:

Priority 1: A child at risk of serious abuse or neglect.

Priority 2: A child of parent/s who satisfies the work/training/study test under Section 145 of the Family Assistance Act.

Priority 3: Any other child. Priority 3 children may be asked to vacate a place if a higher priority child requires care.

Children who have not yet commenced school may also be asked to vacate a place if another child attending school requires care.

How to pay

Bookings will not be accepted without payment of outstanding fees.

EFTPOS: in person at SOOSH in advance.

Cash/EFTPOS: Upper Hunter Shire Council Administration Centre.

Direct Debit: authorised to pay full balance of account, weekly in arrears

Non-payment may result in your child's position being cancelled.

For more information on the services available, to enrol your child, or ask about the Government's Childcare Subsidy, contact the SOOSH Co-ordinator on **6540 1177** or **6540 1140** during SOOSH hours.

MORE ABOUT SOOSH

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Email: soosh@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Before school care

6.30am - 8.30am weekdays during NSW school terms. A nutritional breakfast is provided. Children are provided with safe transport to schools via local bus service.

After school care

3.00pm - 6.00pm weekdays during NSW school terms. Afternoon tea is provided.

‘MY TIME, OUR PLACE’

SOOSH follows the national laws, regulations and quality standards set by the federal government.

The ‘My Time, Our Place’ national framework ensures all children feel safe and have enjoyable experiences. It guides educators to provide play and leisure-based experiences that are engaging and build foundations for life-long learning.

Through the five learning goals, educators will assist your child to develop:

1. A strong sense of their identity
2. Connections with their world
3. A strong sense of wellbeing
4. Confidence and involvement in their learning
5. Effective communication skills

Learning Outcomes

Outcome 1: Children have a strong sense of identity

- 1.1 Children feel safe, secure and supported.
- 1.2 Children develop their autonomy, inter-dependence, resilience and sense of agency.
- 1.3 Children develop knowledge and confident self identities.
- 1.4 Children learn to interact in a relationship to others with care, empathy and respect.

Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world

- 2.1 Children develop a sense of belonging to groups and communities in an understanding of the reciprocal rights and responsibilities necessary for active community participation.
- 2.2 Children respond to diversity with respect.

- 2.3 Children become aware of fairness.
- 2.4 Children become socially responsible and show respect for the environment

Outcome 3: Children have a strong sense of wellbeing

- 3.1 Children become strong in their social and emotional wellbeing.
- 3.2 Children take increasing responsibility for their own health and physical wellbeing.

Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners

- 4.1 Children develop dispositions such as curiosity, co-operation, confidence, creativity, commitment, enthusiasm, persistence, imagination and reflexivity.
- 4.2 Children use a range of skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating.
- 4.3 Children transfer and adapt what they have learned from one context to another.
- 4.4 Children resource their own learning through connecting with people, place, technologies and natural and processed materials.

Outcome 5: Children are effective communicators

- 5.1 Children interact verbally and non-verbally with others for a range of purposes.
- 5.2 Children engage with a range of texts and gain meaning of the those texts.
- 5.3 Children collaborate with others, express ideas and make meaning using a range of media and communication technologies.