



OATLEY WEST Lantern

MR NASH'S CORNER

2021 Kindergarten Enrolments

Planning is well underway for next year's Kindergarten! We already have many registered to start school in 2021. Please remind family and friends to contact the school regarding any students who will be enrolling in Kindergarten next year.

Enquiries and enrolment forms for in area students are available at the office. Unfortunately the Kinder Transition Program is one activity that is *'on hold until further notice'* due to COVID-19. We are working on alternative methods of implementation should this be the case during Term 4.

A virtual tour of the school is available on the school website for all new enrolments to see our beautiful school. This is due to be updated however is still quite relevant to our current situation. I have included the link in case you would like to view this presentation:

360 Virtual Tour:

<http://www.360virtualschooltours.com.au/owps/>

About our school:

<https://oatleywest-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school.html>

School Planning

We are coming to that time when we begin to look at student numbers for the new year. It is crucial that we have understanding of accurate enrolments as we plan classes. If you are planning on leaving Oatley West Public School at the end of the year for whatever reason, please communicate this as soon as possible with the office staff. If you are aware of any families who are in our area and have not yet completed enrolment paperwork for 2021, that they please engage with the school as soon as possible.



School Values:

**Fairness/Integrity/Respect/Cooperation/
Excellence/Participation/Care & Responsibility!**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



P & C Zoom Meeting



R U OK Day
Scholastic Book Order
Due



Walk Safely to School



Krispy Kreme Dough-
nut Deliveries



Book Week Dress Up
Day



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*The School by the park -
Great Kids, Great Teachers, Great School!*

Principal Nash continued

Lost property

We have an abundance of jumpers and other items in our lost property which is housed in the Quiet Area. Please have your children check here if you are missing items. Any items left at the end of term will be cleaned and used in our sick bay or pre-loved uniform cupboard. Please put your child's name on EVERYTHING. It makes it so much easier to return property to its owner.

RUOK Day - 'There is more to say after R U O K!'

This Thursday we will be learning how to support our peers and to talk about how they are feeling. This is certainly an important life lesson for everyone. Looking out for one another and lending support is a key life skill for any age group. The awareness of RUOK includes themes such as: friendships, respectful relationships, help-seeking, mental health and wellbeing.

Children cannot be expected to fix someone's problems, nor know the best way to help and support. However, they can be encouraged to listen to what their friend is saying, let them know they care and tell a teacher, school counsellor or trusted adult if they are worried about their friend.

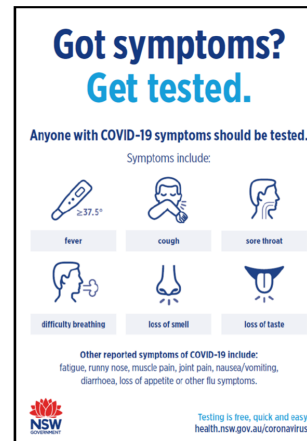
By promoting an environment of positive peer support and accessing support channels via an adult, children can learn that asking, 'Are you OK?', is a key life skill.

R U OK? has 4 Conversation Steps to help navigate a conversation when someone says, "No, I'm not OK".

These steps are:

- 1 Ask
- 2 Listen
- 3 Encourage action
- 4 Check in

Students wear their yellow sports shirt on Thursday.



We continue to maintain strict hygiene protocols, with everyone washing hands thoroughly, the use of hand sanitiser in every room, staff maintaining physical distancing and everyone staying at home when they are unwell. As mentioned in previous newsletters,

students must have their own drink bottle, lunch box, pencil case or containers all clearly labelled with their name. Parents and visitors are still not able to enter the school grounds. This means if you wish to contact the school you need to continue to do so by phone or by email.

If your child or anyone in your immediate family is tested for COVID-19, please notify the school as this is important information which I need to report to the NSW Department of Education.

VALUE FOR THE WEEK

EXCELLENCE

Always try for your personal best.

Celebrate your achievements and the achievements of others.

Be proud of your school.

Enjoy Learning!



Paul Nash



EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!



Missing school means your child misses out on vital information and maintaining learning routines. This can result in a loss of confidence and missing out on forming vital friendships.

Attendance is recorded each day. As a parent or caregiver, you are responsible for ensuring your child attends school every day, including sports days unless your child:

- has an unavoidable medical or dental appointment (preferably these should be made after school or during holidays)
- is required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- is required to attend an exceptional or urgent family circumstance (such as attending a funeral)
- is sick, or has an infectious illness. In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptoms free before being permitted to return to school.

If you are having difficulty getting your child to attend school regularly, you might like to talk to Miss Aravanopoulos or the school counsellor.

If your child has to be absent from school for any reason, including arriving late or leaving early, please either tell your child's teacher or the office, contact the school via Skool Bag or explain the reason by phone, email, or write a note as soon as possible and within seven days.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/main-education/student-wellbeing/attendance-behaviour-and-engagement/media/documents/attendance/attendance_parents.pdf

DEBATING WITH THE REDBACKS

During week 7, our 'Redbacks' debating team debated against Woollooware PS, Como PS and Beverly Hills PS.

This was the first time our school debated using an online platform.

The topics were strongly debated using excellent arguments, composure and clarity. The debaters received the topic one hour prior to debating. They thought up arguments and wrote down their points. The only support they received was from a dictionary.

One of the adjudicators described one of the debates as being of Year 8 standard.

They had an excellent win against Beverly Hills North PS. The topic was: *"Primary school students should start each day with a 30 minute exercise class."*

Oatley West lost the toss and debated as the negative team. This was a very difficult topic to debate from a negative perspective.

Special congratulations goes to Leya, Alfie and Bree. This was their first representative debate competition.

Our debaters are:

Dominique

Bree

Pippa

Leya

Alfie

Sarah

Mr Nick Poullos



OWPS R U Ok DAY

**OWPS R U Ok Day**

We will be hosting OWPS R U Ok Day on **Thursday 10th September**. Students should wear their **yellow sports shirt**.

The theme this year is 'There is more to say after R U OK'. R U OK day reminds students and people to ask family, friends and colleagues the question, "R U OK?" in a meaningful way, because connecting regularly is one thing everyone can do to make a difference to anyone who might be struggling. We feel it is extra fitting this year with social distancing being the key word of 2020.

This year we will be connecting with a school in Victoria who has experienced home learning and lockdown restrictions for most of 2020.

Cheers,
The Wellbeing Team

P & C MEETING



Happy Father's Day to all our great Dad's and Father Figure's, hope you had a fun day celebrating!

Students can now start wearing their Summer Uniform, bring on the sunshine!

P&C have been awarded a grant to work with our School and create a diverse nature space in the sail area, we are hopeful to begin this project before the end of term 3.

We will be holding our next general meeting online via ZOOM as we remain unable to meet together on our school grounds.

All parents are welcome to sign on to the meeting **tomorrow night, Tuesday 8th September**, at 6.30pm.

[https://au01web.zoom.us/j/61869674881?](https://au01web.zoom.us/j/61869674881?pwd=eHlDWlJHODNDShhNVERBNDdqTWxkUT09)
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Meeting ID: 618 6967 4881

Passcode: 980984

Any queries, please email

oatleywestpublicschoolpc@outlook.com

KINDERGARTEN VALUE AWARDS RECIPIENTS

KINDY BLUE

Isabella, Jacob, Alina, Eliza, William, Elise, Sophia



KINDY GREEN

Kiera, Emily J, Maya, Hannah, Emily J, Mason, Thomas



KINDY ORANGE

Logan, Javier, Daisy, Lily F, Samuel, Beau, Lily C, Paris, Eden, Saskia, Saje, Niko, Maggie, Macey

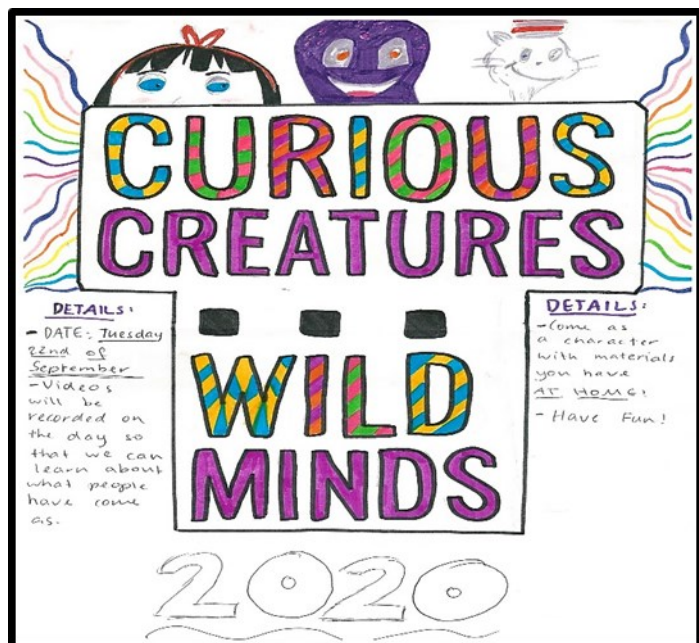


KINDY PINK

Thomas, Anabelle, Anna, Mitchel, Letisha, Elliot, Leo, Calum



LIBRARY NEWS



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**BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY: TUESDAY 22ND
SEPTEMBER**

CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS

What to wear?

Have a look around the house and see what you can use (paper plates, cardboard etc.) to make a mask or costume. There are many online sites that can help with ideas.

Thank you Dominique Yr6, for your amazing poster!

It is so great to see that our students value reading for enjoyment and have a passion for literature which will serve them well throughout their life. The PRC is a wonderful way for students to show this. Well done to all the students who have participated in the PRC this year. We are so proud of you. Certificates will be handed out in term 4.

Congratulations to the following students for completing the PRC:

Ellyn L
Jemma P
Sadie S
Isabelle W
Robert J
Bree P
Tenzer P
Leila S

Mrs Elms and Mrs Fitzpatrick



UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Update – Order Pick Up from School Office

All orders received, will continue to be processed on Thursday each week and will be available for **pick up by your child from the school office** at the end of that day. Contact with parents will only be made in the event we cannot deliver your order to the office.

Summer Uniform: All students should now be wearing their summer uniform.

Kindergarten 2021 – Given these uncertain times, if you have a new starter in Kindy next year, please consider placing an order for their summer uniform in the next few weeks. Currently, without face to face trading allowed, we have established a Size Chart (see last weeks' Newsletter), to assist with gauging the size you may need for your child. Keep in mind your child will not be starting school for another five months - please allow for some growth.

As always, we are happy to make exchanges provided all items are still in their original condition and packaging, with tags on. You will also need to retain your receipt.

Exchanges will be accommodated on Thursday. Please leave exchanges at the school office, in a bag together with details of the exchange(s) required, your child's name and class. All items being returned must be in their original condition and packaging, with tags on. Receipts should be included where possible.

Plastic Bag Fee – This fee will continue to be waived while we are unable to trade face to face.

For all enquiries, please contact Sia Coelho – owpsuniform@gmail.com

NB: Order forms sent by email, will not be actioned.

COMMUNITY PRAYER GROUP

We are a group that meets twice a term to pray for our school and it's community.

We will be meeting this week and all are welcome.

Day: Thursday 10th September 2020

Time: 9.30-11am

Venue: One to One Cafe

Contact: Glynnis 0425 256 252 or Liz 0412 751 265 for more information or any enquiries

We'd love to see you there.

Liz Moll and Glynnis Nelson

NEWSLETTER INSERT

Principals and Teachers, please feel welcome to cut and paste this insert into your school's newsletter.

Logos are available from our website in all sizes. Please visit the Advertisements tab under Media on our website:

www.walk.com.au



WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2020

Well it's that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 15 May 2020!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au



OATLEY WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL Community Festival

K-6 KIDS ART PROJECT 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

The Oatley West Public School Community Festival is a weekend-long community event held in August every year that raises money for our kids at OWPS.

The Kids Art Project is a wonderful opportunity for our kids to be directly involved with the festival by showcasing their artwork in an art gallery display. Sadly, due to COVID-19 restrictions, we have been unable to hold the usual festival in 2020. But don't despair...

**The Kids Art Project is still happening!
And this year we are opening it up to all
year levels!**



Any questions please contact:
Julie Schofield 0400 498 696
Hayley Smith 0433 677 035

This year's theme is: *Fluorescent!*

Participating students will be asked to create an artwork on their canvas inspired by absolutely anything they like using fluoro colours. Let's inject some serious colour into our school!

HOW TO ORDER

- ▲ Log in (or register)
www.flexischools.com.au
- ▲ Select 'K-6 Kids Art Project 2020'
- ▲ Select your bundle purchase
Canvas + Fluoro Paint Palette Set \$16
- ▲ Canvas and paint palette (with further instructions) will be delivered to your child early in Term 4!

**Ordering closes:
25 September 2020**

Artworks will be hung in the school where they can be viewed and enjoyed by all students and teachers.

All monies raised will go directly to funding the purchase of new home reading material for our K-2 classrooms.

Please note: this is a no-obligation, optional activity completed at home.

www.flexischools.com.au

亲爱的家长们,

我们一年一度的 OWPS 社区活动今年 8 月因为疫情没有能够顺利举行, 非常遗憾。其中备受受欢迎的是孩子们的艺术展览。

经过讨论, **我们将继续举办这次艺术展览**, 并开放让所有年级的孩子们一起参加。孩子们作品将在学校里给孩子们和老师们展出。这次所有筹款将用于 K-2 年级孩子们所需要的阅读书本。

今年作品的主题为“荧光”。



愿意一起参与活动的家长们, 订购方法如下:

- 登陆 flexischool 的网页进行支付 (www.flexischools.com.au)
- 选择 “K-6 Kids Art Project 2020” (K-6 艺术项目)
- 购买 Canvas + Fluoro Paint Palette Set \$16(画板颜料)
- 购买成功后,材料将在第四学期送到孩子班级
- **请注意, 报名截至日期是周五 2020 年 9 月 25 日**



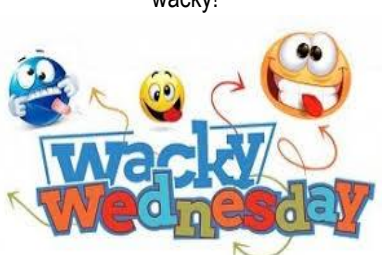


谢谢大家对活动的支持与参与。有任何问题欢迎和 Julie Schofield (0400 498 696) 联系。

September/October 2020 Vacation Care Program

Week 1

Monday 28 th September	Tuesday 29 th September	Wednesday 30 th September	Thursday 1 st October	Friday 2 nd October
<p><i>Morning exercise: Ball Skills</i></p> <p>UNDER THE SEA SHOW LEGO LEGENDS (Incursion) \$15.00</p> <p>Kick start the holidays with an exciting interactive under the sea incursion. Learn about the incredible animals who call the ocean their home. Hold live sea animals, examine specimen samples, and discover a large variety of marine artefacts and shells.</p> <p>Lego is back! Imagine and create your masterpiece with endless amounts of lego and hours of fun!</p>  <p>Arts and crafts Afternoon group experience: Dodgeball</p>	<p><i>Morning exercise: Ball Skills</i></p> <p>JUMP ROPE FOR HEART KALEIDOSCOPES \$5.00</p> <p>Jump Rope for Heart is Australia's most popular physical activity going strong after 36 years. Take part in the many challenges offered at vacation care today. Pick up your kaleidoscope kit, design, create and enjoy the splendour of colours and symmetrical patterns from your optical instrument.</p>  <p>Art and crafts Afternoon group experience: Handball</p>	<p><i>Morning exercise: Ball Skills</i></p> <p>ADVENTURES OF DETECTIVE D HAMA BEAD KEYRING CREATIONS (Incursion) \$20.00</p> <p>Do you think you could lie to a professional sleuth? Would you like to be a part of a real-life detective movie? Come to OOSH today and join in this workshop about solving cases and unravelling big questions. Learn how to pick up and take finger-prints, use a blue light, solve crimes and more. Get creative, using hama beads, design your own keyring for some fun!</p>  <p>Art and crafts Afternoon group experience: Basketball</p>	<p><i>Morning exercise: Ball Skills</i></p> <p>MEXICAN FIESTA JINGLE STICKS</p> <p>Hola! Como estas? Today we take you on a Mexican Fiesta!</p> <p>We will have a variety of Mexican themed craft such as tissue paper bracelets, OOSH room wall collage, mini sombreros, spikey cactus', group pinata and so much more!</p> <p>Assemble and play tunes with your very own jingle stick!</p>  <p>Arts and crafts Afternoon group experience: 44 Homes</p>	<p><i>Morning exercise: Ball Skills</i></p> <p>WHEELS DAY MOVIES & PIZZA \$5.00</p> <p>Bike/scooter, pizza and a movie? Sounds great! Our all-time favourite is a big hit every vacation care holiday so bring along your bikes or scooters and enjoy the day racing against your friends. Stay entertained with movies from our large selection on offer. Don't despair, there are plenty of other alternative activities available. We will have pizzas delivered for lunch...yum!</p>  <p>Arts and crafts Afternoon group experience: Netball</p>

Week 2

Monday 5 th October	Tuesday 6 th October	Wednesday 7 th October	Thursday 8 th October	Friday 9 th October
	<p><i>Morning exercise: Running</i></p> <p>CLAYMATION MINI COMIC BOOKS</p> <p>What is Claymation? It is plasticine animation, a form of stop-motion animation and today you will create an animation using an app on your iPads. Continue the theme day by watching animation films to help you create your own story.</p> <p>Fan of comic books? Use your imagination and create your own comic art and strips, just like the real thing!</p>  <p>Arts and crafts Afternoon group experience: Relays</p>	<p><i>Morning exercise: Running</i></p> <p>WACKY WEDNESDAY DISCO</p> <p>Midweek Wacky Wednesday is here! There will be many wacky activities waiting for you today: choose from wacky hair, tie dye socks, funny face biscuits, quirky cardboard clocks, optical illusion art and much more wackiness! Don't forget to bring an old pair of socks to transform.</p> <p>Let your wildness out at the disco afternoon, don't forget to come dressed wacky!</p>  <p>Arts and crafts Afternoon group experience: Netball</p>	<p><i>Morning exercise: Running</i></p> <p>SLOT CARS DRAMA EXPERIENCE (Incursion) \$15.00</p> <p>A fun favourite is back...slot cars! Enjoy this powered miniature vehicle that is guided by a groove or slot in the track on which it runs. With endless fun, rally with your friends and see who's the quickest to the finish line.</p> <p>Our drama afternoon will include ribbon of sound, strike a pose, mystery bag, changing body game and much more!</p>  <p>Art and crafts Afternoon group experience: Soccer</p>	<p><i>Morning exercise: Running</i></p> <p>OATLEY PARK GROUP SPORTS CHALLENGE (Excursion)</p> <p>We always enjoy a visit to our local Oatley Park featuring slides, bridges, swings, flying fox and a sandpit. Our group sports challenge is not your ordinary selection of games today. Join in the fun and learn new games such as sock hockey, rocket ball, Russian kickball, crab soccer, triple trouble, how to play spud, 45 seconds and more!</p>  <p>Arts and crafts Afternoon group experience: Cricket</p>

In addition to planned activities and experiences, our program provides creative and sensory experiences each day.

Arts and craft options available across the program include:

- Yarn initials
- Bowl weaving
- Stress balls
- Pencil toppers
- Egyptian collars
- Flip books
- Bohemian wall hangers
- Woven place mats

What do I need to pack for Vacation Care?

- ✓ A healthy, nut free morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea
- ✓ A drink bottle
- ✓ Enclosed shoes
- ✓ A hat
- ✓ Oatley West OOSH vacation care t-shirt – excursion days only
- ✓ Helmet and protective wear for wheels day

CCS
approved:
up to 85% in
rebates!

Hours: 7:00am to 6:00pm

Days: Monday to Friday

EARLYBIRD: \$65/day (Booking made by 4th September)

\$70/day (Booking made between 5th-25th September)

Walk-In: \$75/day (On the day)

Please note: Incursion costs are in addition to daily fees.

Ratio for excursions are 1 Educator to 15 children. The anticipated number of children attending each day is up to 45 children.

Excursion and incursion risk assessments have been prepared and are available at the centre.

Please circle:

Monday 28 th September	Tuesday 29 th September	Wednesday 30 th September	Thursday 1 st October	Friday 2 nd October
Attending: Yes/No Incursion	Attending: Yes/No	Attending: Yes/No Incursion	Attending: Yes/No	Attending: Yes/No
Monday 5 th October	Tuesday 6 th October	Wednesday 7 th October	Thursday 8 th October	Friday 9 th October
CLOSED	Attending: Yes/No	Attending: Yes/No	Attending: Yes/No Incursion	Attending: Yes/No Excursion

Please return this booking form to Oatley West OOSH (with your child) or email to admin@keyorris.com.au

Child/ren details

Child 1

Surname:_____

First name:_____

Gender: Male [☐] Female [☐]

Date of birth:_____/_____/_____

Child's CRN:_____

Name of school child attends (if not Oatley West Public School): _____

Child 2

Surname:_____

First name:_____

Gender: Male [☐] Female [☐]

Date of birth:_____/_____/_____

Child's CRN:_____

Name of school child attends (if not Oatley West Public School): _____

Child 3

Surname:_____

First name:_____

Gender: Male [☐] Female [☐]

Date of birth:_____/_____/_____

Child's CRN:_____

Name of school child attends (if not Oatley West Public School): _____

Parent/Guardian details (1st point of contact)

Surname:_____

First name:_____

Parent CRN:_____

Mobile:_____

Email address:_____

Date of birth:_____/_____/_____

Address:_____

Postcode:_____

Parent/Guardian details (2nd point of contact)

Surname:_____

First name:_____

Parent CRN:_____

Mobile:_____

Email address:_____

Date of birth:_____/_____/_____

Address:_____

Postcode:_____

Authority to collect/emergency contacts (alternative contacts.Please list one person other than custodial parents)

Surname:_____

First name:_____

Relationship:_____

Date of birth:_____/_____/_____

Email address:_____

Mobile:_____

Address:_____

Postcode:_____

Authority to collect? (please note: employees/educators will request to see photo ID upon collection)

YES [☐] NO [☐]

Authority to authorise an employee/educator to administer medication?

YES [☐] NO [☐]

Authority to sign permissions for excursions?

YES [☐] NO [☐]

• My child/ren are currently enrolled at Oatley West OOSH via My Family Lounge.

YES [☐] NO [☐]

If No to the previous question;

• I understand that I need to enrol my child/ren at Oatley West OOSH.

YES [☐] NO [☐]

(Please visit <http://oatleywestoosh.com.au/enrolments/> and click on 'register' under the 'Enrol here - My Family Lounge' - section and follow the prompts

I understand:

• My child/ren's Vacation Care booking will not be processed until I have completed my child/ren's registration via My Family Lounge.

YES [☐] NO [☐]

• Fees are processed in accordance with my child/ren's booking via Debit Success. Days are not transferable once a booking has been made and fees are non-refundable upon cancellation.

YES [☐] NO [☐]

• My family's account must be paid prior to my child/ren attending the program.

YES [☐] NO [☐]

• Incursion and excursion risk assessments have been prepared and are available at the centre for me to view upon request.

YES [☐] NO [☐]

Date	Destination	Description	Proposed activites	Anticipated no. of children	Anticipated child:staff Ratio	Anticipated no. of staff attending	Transport	Departure and return times	Parent/Guardian signature
Friday 9 th October	Oatley Park 1 Dame Mary Gilmorer Rd, Oatley	Local park visit	Play in the park	45	1:15	4	Walking	10:00am - 12:30pm	SIGN IF BOOKED

Parent/Guardian name: _____

Parent/Guardian signature:_____

Date:_____/_____/2020