

CHATTING *with* OSHC

Term 1 2026



MESSAGE FROM OSHC COORDINATOR

Welcome to all our new families joining OSHC in 2026! We are so excited to have you as part of our community and look forward to a fun, safe and engaging year ahead. Welcome back as well to our returning families. It's wonderful to continue this journey with you.

A quick reminder that the safety and wellbeing of children is always our highest priority. We have recently strengthened our Child Safety policies in line with current reforms. Please review these policies which are available on OWNA, and reach out if you have any questions - we value working in partnership with you to keep children safe.

Please also be reminded that mobile phones, smartwatches, or any digital devices capable of recording or taking photos that have not been declared to the Regulatory Authority are not permitted for use within OSHC. This policy helps protect the privacy and safety of children, educators, visitors, and families and applies to everyone. We're also excited to share how much joy our Australian Leaf Insects have brought to the children! They have been a fantastic hands-on learning experience, helping children develop responsibility, curiosity and respect for living things. Due to the success of this program, we are now offering families the opportunity to take leaf insects home to continue the learning experience together. If you would like more information about how this works please reach out.

Thank you for being part of our OSHC community - we're looking forward to a wonderful year ahead! Warm regards, *Rowena*

FROM THE WELCOME DESK

A very warm welcome to our prep children and families joining OSHC for the first time. Starting school is a big milestone, and our team is committed to creating a calm, nurturing, and supportive environment where our youngest children can:

- Feel safe and settled
- Build friendships
- Learn OSHC routines at their own pace

We work closely with children to support their transition into both school and OSHC, and we're so excited to watch our Preps grow in confidence across the term.

VACATION CARE A HUGE SUCCESS!

Our recent Summer Vacation Care program was an absolute highlight! Across the holidays, children took part in a wide range of engaging activities including creative arts, themed days, lots of water play on the hot days and excursions.

The children showed wonderful enthusiasm, resilience, and cooperation, and it was a pleasure to see so many happy faces and friendships grow.

A huge thank you to our families for your support and to our incredible educators for creating such a positive and memorable holiday experience.

Gymnastics & Martial Arts Starting This Term!

We're thrilled to be introducing Gymnastics and Martial Arts to our OSHC program this term! We can't wait to see the children give these new opportunities a go.

Please remember:

- Children must have an OSHC booking to participate.
- If your child does not have a permanent booking, a casual booking will be required on the day of the activity.
- Further details and permission information will be shared with families if wanting to enrol in such extra-curricular.

WHAT'S AHEAD IN TERM 1

Term 1 is shaping up to be a wonderful one, with plenty of planned experiences, opportunities for play, and moments of connection. As always, we value open communication and encourage families to reach out if you have any questions, feedback, or ideas.

Thank you for being part of our OSHC community we're so glad to have you with us.



These programs support children's:

- Physical development and coordination
- Confidence and self-discipline
- Focus, resilience, and wellbeing



Thank you so much for giving Rebecca the opportunity to bring home your beautiful leaf insects and experience them up close. They are interesting creatures.

We enjoyed holding them and watching them eat, climb, be statues and how the male and female insect reproduce. Rebecca showed lots of interest and care for these creatures. 😊

OWNA TIP Did you know you can now fill out important forms in the OWNA app such as authorised nominee, extra-curricular and homework forms. All you have to do is tap the three horizontal lines in the top left-hand corner and drop down to find the forms tab.

Please also make sure you are marking your children non-attending if they won't be at OSHC for any of their pre-booked sessions. Reminder there is a 7-day cancellation fee.

See more fun in our gallery below...!



SUMMER VACATION CARE FUN

