

December 2018/ January 2019 Vacation Care at William Carey OOSH

Morning Program 7:00 am - 12:30 pm	Afternoon Program 12:30 pm - 6:00 pm
breakfast, until 8am	lunch, 12:30 pm
craft, dramatic	free choice
free choice	group activity
group game	create
outdoor play, sport	junior chef
morning tea, 10:30 am	afternoon tea, 3:30 pm
outdoor group time	outdoor play, sport
free choice	group game

Refer to the [Vacation Care Activity Information](#) for further details about the listed activities.

Reminder that from this Vacation care on all Excursions and Incursions are compulsory (except for lunch orders) and will be added to your fees.

	Monday 10 th Dec	Tuesday 11 th Dec	Wednesday 12 th Dec	Thursday 13 th Dec	Friday 14 th Dec
December Week one The Christmas Tree	<i>Bring in:</i> Wheels Day, Jumping Castle and Duck Hatchlings	<i>Excursion:</i> Elderslie Water Park and Sausage Sizzle Lunch \$25	<i>Lunch Order:</i> Hungry Jacks \$6	<i>Activity:</i> Messy Games & Slushies	<i>Excursion:</i> Movies – The Grinch \$25
	Hessian Bag w/Plant Choc Crackle Puddings Christmas Science Experiments	Snowman Poop Puzzle Piece Ornaments Iron on Beads	Candy Cane Reindeer OOSH Fun Box Christmas Houses	Thumbprint Elves Messy Games Chocolate Game	Flat Caps Thumbprint Ornaments Movies + Koshigaya Park
	morning tea	Garlic Bread	Packet Chips	Yogurt Tubs	Fairy Bread
afternoon tea	Choc Crackle Puddings	Wreath Pizza's	Festive Brownies	Cheesy Canes	Christmas Light Cupcakes

	Monday 17 th Dec	Tuesday 18 th Dec	Wednesday 19 th Dec	Thursday 20 th Dec	Friday 21 st Dec
December Week two The Christmas Tree	<i>Excursion:</i> Harvard Park	<i>Lunch Order:</i> Wraps + Can of Drink \$5	<i>Incursion:</i> Christmas Coding \$20	<i>Excursion:</i> Macquarie Fields Pools \$25	<i>Activity:</i> Dress Up - Christmas T Shirt
	Christmas Scratch Art Christmas Tea Lights Tug-o-War	Angel Ornament Toilet Roll Singing Angel Giant What's the Time Mr Wolf	Jesus in a Manger Christmas Light Necklace Trash Can Dodge	Wiseman Painting Lace Weaving Balloon Stomp	Christmas Hessian Placements Happy Birthday Jesus Bauble Christmas Shirt Parade + Talent Quest
	morning tea	Shapes	Pretzels	Ice-Cream Cones	Saos & Spreads
afternoon tea	Flatt Bread Trees	Christmas Cookies	Reindeer Sandwiches	Reindeer Biscuits	Jesus' Birthday Party

	Monday 14 th January	Tuesday 15 th January	Wednesday 16 th January	Thursday 17 th January	Friday 18 th January
January week one Big Summer Bash	<i>Bring in:</i> Wheels Day + Jumping Castle	<i>Excursion:</i> Movies – Wreck it Ralph 2 + Koshigaya park \$30	<i>Excursion:</i> Extreme Water Play + Lunch Order Dominos \$5	<i>Incursion:</i> Indian Jungle Dance Safari \$20	<i>Activity:</i> DIY – Cold Rock
	Mini Surf Boards Spray Paint T-Shirts Magnet Thongs	Water Play Wheels Relay Races Pot Crabs	Beach in a Bottle Scratch Art Cricket	Iron on Beads Cup Cover Sprinkler Bulrush Sea Plaster Creatures	Beach Coasters Spot the Spot Felt Ice-Creams
	morning tea	Saos and Spreads	Pikelets	Assorted Crackers n Dip	Fruit Smoothies
afternoon tea	Strawberry Lemonade Bars	Frozen Yogurt	Watermelon Cookies	Apple Crumble Beach Cup	DIY Cold Rock

	Monday 21 st January	Tuesday 22 nd January	Wednesday 23 rd January	Thursday 24 th January	Friday 25 th January
January week two Big Summer Bash	<i>Lunch Order:</i> Hamburgers + Popper \$5	<i>Activity:</i> Crazy Hair Day	<i>Incursion:</i> Macquarie Fields Pool \$30	<i>Activity:</i> In House Movie + Popcorn	<i>Dress Up:</i> Aussie <i>Excursion:</i> Rock Climbing Centre \$30
	Sandy Foot/Hand Giant Guess Who Summer Pet Rocks	Water Relays Paper Beach Plate Friendly Octopus	Summer Photo Frame Mini Zen Beach Yoga	Tomato Stress Ball 3 Legged Race w/Water Surf Decor	Pinecone Pineapple Thong Toss Challenge Aussie Day Tattoos
	Print morning tea	Cheese, Crackers, Cabanossi	Corn Thins & Spreads	Vegetarian Nachos	Potato Wedges
afternoon tea	Choc Zucchini Muffins	Watermelon Cupcakes	Pearl Clam Cookies	Fruit Salad and Yogurt	Blue Sea Jelly Cups

Vacation Care (VC) Activity Information

Program

This program has highlighted only some of the activities children will enjoy at VC. The full December / January VC Program can be viewed on level 1 at the centre. The programmed activities may change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances.

The VC program includes a variety of activities to interest your child. The centre is set up with many different activity stations to allow your child to freely enjoy different types of play experiences. Activity stations include: dramatic play, create, draw & paint, puzzles & board games, indoor and outdoor group games, computer time, backyard (with playground) play, active play, sport, Junior Chef cooking and daily Christian devotion.

The programmed activities are intentionally planned to enhance your child's development in the following areas: fine & gross motor physical skills, social & emotional skills, language & speech development, cognitive (thinking) skills and life (including cooking) skills.

Please feel free to contribute to the program displayed in the centre, in the 'Parent Comment' section, regarding the programmed activities. The OOSH educators are also happy to answer any questions you may have regarding your child's development and progress at OOSH Care.

December Theme – The Christmas Tree.

In December, we celebrate a special birth - Happy birthday Jesus! There will be lots to learn and explore and stacks of Christmas fun as well. Your children will gain a strong sense of wellbeing as they enjoy one another's company in a happy, safe and fun environment. Let us take the stress out of holidays.

January Theme – Big Summer Bash.

This January we will have a sizzling time as we have fun in the sun and the water with great activities to participate in. We will be getting very wet and messy, so spare clothes are necessary and send them in old clothes, as they will be doing many messy activities that may stain some articles of clothing.

William Carey OOSH kids never have boring holidays! Book your kids in to Vacation Care and have a stress free day at work or home, knowing your children are having a blast with their OOSH friends.

The focus this December and January VC will be on providing activities for the children to develop a strong sense of wellbeing and children as effective communicators. The programmed activities will be facilitated in a fun, relaxed and playful environment. William Carey OOSH uses the *My time, Our Place* Framework for School Age Care in Australia to extend and enrich children's wellbeing and development in our OOSH setting. Expected outcomes as a result of this Vacation Care program are that:

- Children are effective communicators:
 - Children interact verbally and non-verbally with others for a range of purposes
 - Children engage with a range of texts and gain meaning from these texts
 - Children collaborate with others, express ideas and make meaning using a range of media and communication technologies
- Children have a strong sense of wellbeing:
 - Children become strong in their social and emotional wellbeing.
 - Children take increasing responsibility for their own health and physical wellbeing.

Important information: Wet Activities - this Dec/Jan VC

The December and January Vacation Care will involve water fun. We have incorporated some water activities into the program to keep the kids cool during those hot summer days. On very hot days, staff may add water activities into the day, even if not programmed.

To ensure your child does not miss out, please assist them to pack a bag, for EVERY DAY they are attending the centre, with everything they would need to enjoy the wet sessions at VC – swimmers, a rash vest, hat, towel, sunscreen and spare clothing. We also suggest beach shoes, so they have something on their feet as there are quite often bees around. No thongs.

The OOSH educator will not allow a child to be involved in the wet activities unless they have swimmers with rash vest or spare clothing to get changed into.

Please note that **children wearing swimmers must still have their shoulders covered and a rash vest or T-shirt must be worn over their swimmers.**

There are several days in the December/January VC program where children will have the opportunity to be involved in specific wet activities. On these days, children should wear or bring their swimmers in order to participate in the wet activity.

Specific wet or messy activity days include:

December - Tuesday 11th (Elderslie Water Park)
Thursday 13th (Messy Games)
Thursday 20th (Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre)

January - Water Games are organised for everyday
Wednesday 16th (Extreme Water Play)
Wednesday 23rd (Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre)

Excursion

Further information about the excursion, including the permission note, will be sent out with the *VC Confirmation* letter. **Excursion payment is added to your fees. Permission notes should be given to the Uniform shop or OOSH Office by Monday 3rd December, 2018.**

Please note that if you choose to send your child to Vacation Care on an excursion or incursion day then participation is compulsory. (except for lunch orders)

Elderslie Water Park: (Tuesday 11th December 2018)

- Children will travel by school bus to Elderslie Water Park. Children will be at the Water Park from 10.30am to 2.30pm. Children will eat a sausage sizzle at the Water Park.
- Any child attending this excursion must be present at the OOSH centre by 9:30 am. The bus will return to WCCS by 3:00 pm.
- There is an additional cost of \$25 per child which will be added to the fees for the day so they can be claimed with the CCS. The cost covers transport and sausage sizzle lunch at the Park.

Dumaresq Street Cinema: (Friday 14th December 2018 & Tuesday 15th January, 2018) \$25 extra added to fees in December, \$30 added to fees in January. This includes a lemonade and popcorn.

- **Movie – The Grinch (December)** (G rating). A flyer is available at the OOSH centre with information about the movie.
- **Movie - Wreck It Ralph 2 (January)** (G rating). A flyer is available at the OOSH centre with information about the movie.
- Children will travel by school bus to Dumaresq St Cinema at Campbelltown. Children will be at the cinema and Koshigaya Park from 9.30am to 2.30pm, after the movies the children will walk to Koshigaya Park for lunch and play.
- Any child attending this excursion must be present at the OOSH centre by 8:30 am. The bus will return to WCCS by 3:00 pm.

Local visits in school mini bus:

We are organising spontaneous visits to Bunnings for craft classes and a visit to the Blue hills manor. A note will be sent to everyone for permission to participate in these activities. If they are not returned children will not be able to participate. The note will cover for 12 months for all vacation care programmes for local outings.

Harvard Park: (Monday 17th December 2018)

- Children will walk to Harvard Park at Prestons and enter the park from Braidwood Drive. The walk will take approximately 15 minutes.
- Children will be at the park from 10:15 am until 11:45 am, and will return to the OOSH centre by 12:00pm.
- Any child attending the centre on this excursion day must be present at the OOSH centre by 9:30 am.
- This park excursion will be cancelled in the event of inclement weather.
- There is no cost for this excursion, however, a signed permission slip is required.

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Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre: (Thursday 20th December 2018 and Wednesday 23rd January 2019)

- Children will travel by school bus to Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre. Children will be at the Leisure Centre from 9.30am to 2.30pm. A home packed lunch is required for this day and the children will eat at the Leisure Centre.
- Any child attending this excursion must be present at the OOSH centre by 8:30 am. The bus will return to WCCS by 3:00 pm.
- Children must have swim clothing. No cotton shirts or shorts are allowed at the pool.

There is an additional cost of \$25 per child in December and \$30 per child in January, which will be added to the fees for the day so they can be claimed with the CCS. The cost covers transport and entry.

Rock Climbing Centre: (Friday 25th January, 2018)

- Children will travel by school bus to Rock Climbing Centre in Villawood. Children will be at the rock climbing centre from 10.00am to 2.30pm. A home packed lunch is required for this day and the children will eat at the Leisure Centre.
- Any child attending this excursion must be present at the OOSH centre by 9:00 am. The bus will return to WCCS by 3:00 pm.
- There is an additional cost of \$30 per child which will be added to the fees for the day so they can be claimed with the CCS. The cost covers transport, entry and harness hire.

Exciting resources have been arranged for the OOSH children to be entertained on the premises. Some incursions (Wheels days, OOSH Fun Box Activities, Duck Hatchlings and Jumping Castle) are included in the daily fee, and therefore have no additional cost.

There is an additional cost for these incursions Christmas Coding (\$20), & Indian Jungle Dance Safari (\$20). This additional fee is now added to the daily fees and can be claimed on Child Care Subsidy.

The incursion permission notes will be sent out with the *VC Confirmation* letter. Incursion permission notes should be given to the Uniform shop **by Monday 3rd December, 2018.**

Christmas Coding (Wednesday 19th December 2018): Cost \$20

Christmas is facing two real threats. Zombies are invading the earth and many children haven't received yet their ordered Christmas gifts. It's time for super coders to step up and draw solutions. They have to put plans and use their coding skills to save Christmas. Some will need to program drones fitted with shooting cannons to fly and combat the zombies and others will need to put the right codes to instruct the robots to deliver the gift boxes on time. Absolutely sublime missions!

Indian Jungle Dance Safari (Thursday 17th January 2019): Cost \$20

Hop in the Jeep to explore the jungles of South India in the unique movement-based adventure. Through story-telling, fun facts and first-hand experience, Shy teaches students how to move and act like Indian Animals in the wild (from elephants, tigers and cheeky macaques to leopards, peacocks and deadly king cobbras)! Puppets, props and music are used to encourage creativity and to craft an Indian safari inspired dance.

Jumping Castle (December and January Vacation Care): The children will thoroughly enjoy this large bouncy inflatable, as they have fun and get fit. There will also be jumping challenges as the children participate in planned group activities guaranteed to skyrocket the fun factor. Socks must be worn when on the inflatable. No additional cost.

Kids Bring In

Wheels Day (Monday 10th December 2018, Monday 14th January 2019). Children can bring in their bicycle or scooter or any other 'wheel' toy that they enjoy riding on their first day with us and leave it here for the duration of Vacation Care. Parents, please help your child to label their 'wheels'. Children will enjoy a ride around WCCS, exploring the school, supervised closely by OOSH staff.

Children that bring in their 'wheels' MUST also bring in their helmet. A helmet is a legal requirement and therefore children will not be allowed to ride around without a helmet on their head. It would also be great to see children wearing their knee and elbow pads.

A signed permission note must be submitted for your children to enjoy this activity. The Wheels Day permission note will be sent with the VC Confirmation letter.

Dress Up

Children must still wear appropriate clothing on dress up days, ensuring modesty and safety. No thongs or singlet tops please. Shoulders must be covered and feet protected in enclosed shoes.

Christmas Dress up: (Friday 21st December 2018)

We'd love to see the children come to VC dressed in Christmas colours or T-shirt or anything Christmas they come up with.

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Australia Day Theme: (Friday 25th January 2019) Children can come to VC dressed up in their Aussie colours, t-shirts or anything they come up with ready for some traditional Aussie games and tucker.

Lunch order

Special lunches will be arranged by the service on specific days as per the program. There is an additional cost per child, per lunch order. This fee cannot be claimed on CCB.

Hungry Jacks (Wednesday 12th Dec) \$6 see lunch order form for options.

Make own Wraps (Tuesday 18th Dec), \$5

Dominos (Wednesday 16th Jan), \$5

Hamburgers (Monday 21st Jan), \$5

If your child is booked in on a lunch order day, the *Lunch Order* form will be sent out with the *VC Confirmation* letter. **Lunch order payment should be made at the Uniform shop by Monday 3rd December, 2018.**

Face painting, Coloured hair, Skin sticker (Tattoo's)

On various days as fun activities, children will have the opportunity to have their face painted, their hair sprayed in colours, a skin sticker (temporary tattoo) applied to their skin or their nails coloured with nail polish. Please **advise staff if you do not want your child to participate** in these activities.

Sun Safety

For the safety of your child, staff will adhere to a strict "no hat, no play" policy. Please ensure your child brings their own hat (labelled with their name) to Vacation Care.

Your child must also wear clothing that covers their shoulders and backs – no singlets or spaghetti straps.

Sunscreen will be mandatory – staff will prompt your child to apply sunscreen to exposed areas of their body throughout the day.

Shoes

Children must wear fully enclosed shoes to Vacation Care, even in hot weather. No thongs, sandals or open-back shoes are permitted. It is a safety issue as children are involved in a variety of activities that require feet to be fully protected.

Spare clothing

Your child is not thinking about staying clean and dry when they are having fun playing at Vacation Care. For your child's comfort, please provide spare clothing in their bag.

Should the OOSH staff kindly provide your child with alternate clothing, please wash and return as soon as possible. We only have a small supply of 'back up' clothing that needs to be readily available.

We welcome your feedback and enquiries.

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