

Welcome

Welcome to St Gabriel's OSHC for 2025. We hope everyone has enjoyed their Christmas holidays!

We are very excited for all the new families to join our OSHC where children continue to develop their skills in a child centred learning environment.





Abbey



Julia



Oscar



Megan



Stella



Gemma



Sahera



Joel



Monique



Silvia

VACATION CARE HIGHLIGHTS



Dates for the next upcoming Vacation Care

April School Holidays are open Monday 14th to Thursday 17th.

Closed dates

- Friday 18th for Good Friday
- Monday 21st for Easter Monday

Open again Tuesday 22nd until Thursday 24th.

Closed date

- Friday 25th for Anzac Day

If anyone has any ideas or suggestions for future vacation care activities, we are always looking forward to trying new things!! Please email or talk to one of our staff or use the parent suggestion box at the sign in inside the OSHC room.

CHILD BEHAVIOUR POLICY

St Gabriel's OSHC is passionate about creating a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment that enables students to express themselves in a positive way that is supported by all staff and the school community. Positive student behaviour is essential to promote positive learning environments and positive peer relationships.

Behaviours that all children in OSHC are expected to follow include;

- Follow the 5Ls
- Sit with legs crossed
- Listening to the teachers
- Looking at the teachers
 - Lips together
 - Hands in their laps
- Being respectful towards teachers and other children
 - Being responsible for my own positive behaviours
 - No talking to strangers outside school grounds
 - Coming to OSHC in the afternoons before 3:15

CHILD CARE SUBSIDY: (CCS)

If you are a family who only use Vacation Care, please make sure you have your parent code and password ready to sign in on arrival and when collecting your child in the afternoon. Also, after 8 weeks of not using the centre, Centrelink will cease your account. When you book into next vacation care and are claiming CCS you will need to re confirm with My Gov, to be able to receive the subsidy.

OSHC ACCESS

St Gabriel's OSHC is devoted to keeping the students as safe as possible during their time in OSHC. To help our staff in doing so we ask that you support us in this endeavour by keeping the OSHC gate code to yourselves and not sharing it with your children. This is to ensure their safety and the safety of all children.

OSHC PROGRAM

Before School Care

Students engage in learning experiences such as watching educational videos which are then discussed as a group. This is to support their learning and all educational videos are watched before hand to ensure they are age appropriate for all students.

After School Care

Students engage in arts and crafts, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths), and physical activities. This is to support their learning on topics of their choosing which are suggested then researched by the educators to ensure it is both age appropriate and safe for children to be engaged with.

BREAKFAST

Please note that breakfast is available <u>on request</u> up until **7:45am**. It is assumed that anyone arriving after this time has had breakfast at home. While OSHC staff do ask the general group who would like breakfast, please encourage children to ask when they arrive.

BOOKINGS AND CANCELLATIONS

Bookings and cancellations must be made via:

<u>Online booking system</u> – 'FullyBooked'

Bookings:

- All students MUST be booked into OSHC
- Bookings can be permanent or casual
- Morning bookings must be made by 6:00pm the night before.
- Afternoon bookings must be made by 11:00am that day.

CANCELLATIONS:

- Morning bookings must be cancelled by 6:00pm the night before.
- Afternoon bookings must be cancelled by 11:00am that day.

This ensures that we have adequate staffing and food for each session. Following child safety policy and procedures we also ask that if your child/children are booked in for the morning service, that a parent/caregiver comes inside to sign them in. It is the parent/caregiver's responsibility to bring and sign their child/children in. If students are not attended by a parent/caregiver, then a fee of \$2 will be charged.

FEES FOR 2025

6:30am-8:30am

- Permanent \$16
- Casual \$19
- 3:00pm-6:00pm
- Permanent \$26
- Casual \$29

VacationCare

- Incursion \$75
- Excursion \$85
- Pupil Free Day \$75

Please note that children are NOT to be dropped off before 6:30am for the morning session.

Please note our service concludes at 6:00pm each afternoon. There is a fee of \$1 per minute for pickups after 6:00pm.

HOMEWORK

Students are encouraged to complete homework during OSHC time however, it is not the responsibility of staff to ensure homework is completed. If you would like your child/children to start their homework during OSHC, please advise staff.

TOYS/PERSONAL ITEMS

We ask that students do not bring toys or other personal items into OSHC as we take no responsibility if toys/items are lost or damaged. This includes fidget toys as they maybe being lost, damaged.

COMMUNICATION

Should you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me through our OSHC email. Our friendly staff are in the OSHC room during morning and afternoon care times should you wish to communicate directly in person or over the phone.

Communication between families and OSHC staff members can be undertaken via email, phone, SMS and face to face conversations during OSHC hours.

Email: oshc@sgs.catholic.edu.au

OSHC direct line: 8216 9911 (During OSHC Service Hours) OSHC Mobile: 0427 792 262

WE AT ST GABRIEL'S OSHC WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THIS LAND AND PAY OUR RESPECTS TO THE ELDERS PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING.

WE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO PAY RESPECT THEIR CONNECTION TO COUNTRY.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The OSHC team and I look forward to a great start for 2025! Abbey Mitchell – St Gabriel's OSHC Acting Director