



OSHC

December/January

Holiday Highlights

**WEEK 1**  
**16<sup>th</sup> December 2024.**  
**FIRST DAY OF VACATION CARE**  
**Games Day**

This morning children enjoyed playing classic board games together before participating in some real life games run by Scott including Rock, Paper, Scissors, 'Sled' Racing, and later in the afternoon Guess Who. Older children also made their own Pokémon cards from scratch throughout the day.



# 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024

## Christmas craft

Today at OSHC the children embraced the festive spirit with a variety of Christmas craft activities. They had a wonderful time creating beaded wreaths, Christmas tree pinecones, snowmen, and stars, using glitter, paint and an array of Christmas themed resources kindly provided by Nichola's never-ending craft box. The room was filled with excitement as the children designed their own unique decorations with our fantastic leaders stepping in to help the younger children add glitter to their final masterpieces. Alongside the craft the children enjoyed playing Christmas themed games and dancing their hearts out to just dance. It was a fun and creative day that brought out the holiday cheer in everyone!





# 18 Dec 2024

## Christmas Cooking

Today at OSHC the children had a festive and fun filled day making Christmas cookies. With Nichola leading the way our amazing leader stepped up to assist with the baking and icing ensuring everything went smoothly. Each child had the chance to use Christmas theme cookie cutters to create their own unique cookies which they proudly take home in a bag to share with their families or enjoy all to themselves! The festivities didn't stop there as the children also participated in Christmas games and work together to create a giant Christmas tree wallpaper. This beautiful decoration is now the highlight of the room greeting everyone as they walk in. It's been another joyful day as we continue counting down to Christmas!



**19 Dec 2024**

**Movies and More!**

In the morning children made bon-bons and gift bags for tomorrow's Christmas lunch. At 12pm we walked to the movies to watch Mufasa: The Lion King, we were lucky enough to be the first people to view the new movie at Odeon cinemas! Once returning from the movie's children enjoyed some free play and later in the afternoon participated in a quiz about the movie, with sisters Harper and Milla being our wonderful quiz masters. Children left later in the day also got to play more fun Christmas games with Scott!

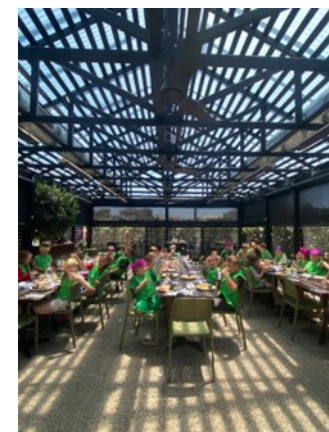




# 20 Dec 2024

## Christmas Lunch

On the last day of OSHC before Christmas, the children enjoyed a festive celebration. They played Santa-themed games and out the finishing touches on decorating the OSHC Christmas tree. At lunch time we walked over to the Semaphore hotel for a special Christmas lunch, where the children enjoyed a delicious meal accompanied by entertainment from Nichola and some games. The highlight of the day was a surprise visit from Santa himself, bringing excitement and smiles to everyone. What a fantastic way to wrap up the year. We can't wait to see you all again next year.





## WEEK 2

06 Jan 2025

### Water Day in 2025

The weather wasn't entirely in our favour today, it was a bit more breezy and cooler than we might have hoped! However,... that wasn't to stop the children having fun with water! This morning, children challenged themselves by using a hose to move a basketball from one spot to another. Elijah said the game was lots of fun and was really happy with his time of six seconds!! Harper also agreed that the game was lots of fun! Later in the day, the children played with the water balloons. These were appreciated by the staff, as they were reusable and the children could keep reusing them, filling them themselves and there weren't all the remnants left to pick up!! Marley liked the water balloons and the fact that they can be used over and over again! She also liked that she could throw them high in the sky! For those that were happier to stay inside, there were lots of different activities to keep them occupied - from hama beads, iPads, Lego, drawing and more!



**07 Jan 2025**

## **Op Shop Trip**

Today, we embarked on an exciting trip to the Op Shops, where each child brought \$10 to find some fantastic bargains. They decorated their own shopping bags to use during the outing. During our walk along Semaphore Road, some children chose to buy items for themselves, while others picked up gifts for their family members. Everyone had a great time exploring the shops. Upon returning, the children eagerly shared what they had purchased and spent the rest of the afternoon enjoying their new treasures.





# 8<sup>th</sup> Jan

## Mine Craft Day

So much Minecraft. We played pass the TNT block, had to shoot the creepers with our nerf weapons and played Minecraft Lego masters. And of course, played Minecraft on our iPads and joined each other worlds.





09 Jan 2025

## Police Visit for Emergency Services Day

Today, our children had a fun-filled day with the police force! First, they met with the coastal patrol and had a fascinating conversation about what police officers wear and why. The children were curious about their uniforms and gear, and they had a lot of questions for the officers. Next, the kids got to experience the thrill of sitting on the back of a jet ski, learning how police use these vehicles for their work. They even got to try on helmets from the air police force, which added to the excitement! In the afternoon, a police officer visited us for a road safety talk, teaching the children all about road rules and how to stay safe on the roads. The kids were engaged and enthusiastic throughout the session. To cap off the day, the children played police-themed games, putting their new knowledge and skills to the test. It was a fantastic day of learning and fun, and everyone had a blast!





10 Jan 2025

## Pj and Movie Day

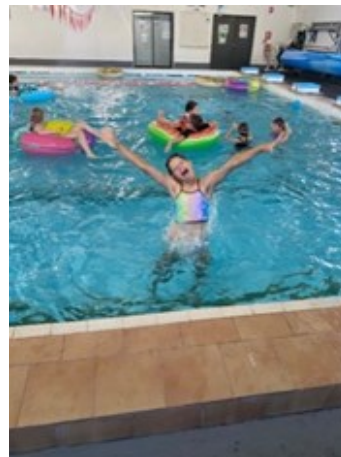
Vac care became a cinema. Children needed tickets to get in and had to choose wisely what they spent their pretend money on at our candy bar. After that it was time to build a nest of pillows and enjoy the movie.



13 Jan 2025

## Largs Bay Swim Centre

This morning, the children had a fantastic time at Largs Bay Swim Centre, where they enjoyed hours of fun in the pool! The younger kids splashed around with watering cans, noodles, and other exciting pool toys, while the older children had a blast floating on giant pool donuts. Everyone had a wonderful time swimming and playing in the water!

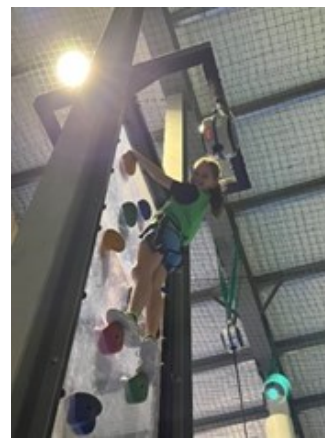




**14 Jan 2025**

**AFL Max**

Today, the children ventured off on the bus to AFL Max, where they spent two hours engaging in a range of activities. From rock climbing and trampolines to inflatables and, of course, AFL, there was never a dull moment. The children had the opportunity to take part in a series of fun-filled competitions, with the chance to win amazing prizes. Throughout the day, they showcased incredible enthusiasm, resilience, determination, and skill, making it an unforgettable experience for everyone involved!



15 Jan 2025

## Marty McBubble Fun

What an awesome day the kids had with a special performance from a real life scientist specialising in bubble fun. The kids loved being a part of the magic, even some of the staff .





**16 Jan 2025**

## **Cookie Day**

This morning, children had fun with two cooking activities for Cookie Day! Children made Jam Drops for afternoon snack and decorated biscuits with icing and lollies to take home with them in the afternoon. Tristan said that his favourite thing was decorating the biscuits with lollies; Mason said that he really enjoyed watching the mixer mixing everything together and Milla really liked making her biscuits. I'm sure that they will all enjoy tasting their creations shortly!



17 Jan 2025

## Carclew Mansion

A huge day at Carclew Mansion in North Adelaide. We learned about the history of Adelaide, participated in dance classes and even made our own sculptures. We learned a lot about how art and history intertwine. Our older children even got to learn about photography.





# 21 Jan 2025

## Inflatable World

A crazy 2 hours of bouncing, falling, sliding and more falling. We use a LOT of energy at inflatable world but it's worth it.



**2 Jan 2025**

## **Water play day returns!**

Today was Water Play Day—the second one of the holidays—and this time the sun was shining! The children had a blast with a jam-packed lineup of water related games. They played a variety of individual and team games including pop the balloon on the head, water fight dodgeball, fill the cup over and under, shoot the cups, and of course, good old-fashioned water fights. Everyone got soaked, and fun was in full flow!





**3 Jan 2025**

## **Lego Day**

Today, the children had the opportunity to participate in four Lego building challenges whilst in small groups. Once in their teams and their team name decided, it was time for the first challenge. This challenge was to build the tallest tower, which was able to stay upright, without the tower toppling. All teams did amazingly, with towers ranging from 51cm to 97cm!! The next challenge was to build a boat. But to float wasn't its only requirement - it needed to hold the most number of wooden blocks and still be able to float! Teams worked well on the task, with as many as 14 blocks being able to balance before sinking! The third task was to build a space ship, with a Lego person inside, with the hope that it was strong enough to survive a drop! Finally, the last task was to build a bridge. The bridge also needed to take the weight of the most marbles, whilst being placed between two large blocks. These bridges held between six to forty marbles! All children worked wonderfully together!



**24 Jan 2025**

## **Australia Day fun**

We have celebrated all day sharing Australian customs. We had quizzes, donut eating competitions limbo and Aussie tattoos run by Angelique and Zahlia. We've eaten Australian classics frogs in the pond and snags with bread. The children have helped us clean and set up for school next week. The children have had the best times in the holidays. We are extremely proud of our their behaviour in and out of school. Another brilliant vacation care with happy memories made.

