

Friday, March 24, 2017.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As you may be aware our current After School and Vacation Care service, Helping Hands, have recently notified us that they will not be continuing their service beyond April 6. Fortunately, Holiday Care Australia have offered to continue After School and Vacation Care from April 7, as well as offer Before School Care at Merimbula Public School next term.

## Costs:

- Before School Care: \$35 for **6am to 9am** (parents pay **between \$3 and \$17.50** after rebates)
- After School Care: \$35 for 2:55pm to 6pm (parents pay between \$3 and \$17.50 after rebates)
- Vacation Care: \$100 **6am to 6pm** (parents pay between \$12 and \$50 after rebates)



Child Care Benefit (CCB) and Child Care Rebate (CCR) Centrelink rebates apply. Please contact the service on **0410342123**, or Centrelink, to find out your rebate entitlements.

## To Book A Place:

- 1. Complete the enrolment form (we have copies in the office).
- 2. Get copies of your child's Immunisation History Statement and Birth Certificate (we should have copies on file should you not be able to locate them).
- 3. Contact Centrelink and ensure your CCB and CCR entitlement details are up to date.
- 4. Enrolment forms can be sent back to the school for collection by the service or scanned and emailed to: <u>holidaycareaustralia@outlook.com</u>

Please find attached the Autumn Vacation Care Program and booking form. If you are interested in your child attending Vacation Care this school holiday period, cut off the lower part of the sheet, complete the details and send it in to our office. Please write on the bottom of the note if you would like us to send home an Enrolment Booking Form with your child. The additional Enrolment Form is needed so that the service has your child's medical details and other information.

If you have any questions please call the service manager, Jen, on **0410342123**.

Whilst Holiday Care Australia are closed on Public Holidays, they are open for the period between Christmas and New Year, where Helping Hands was not. They will also offer their service on Staff Development Days.

We are looking forward to finalising leasing agreements with Holiday Care Australia and still anticipate that they will commence their service from our school on April 7, with Merimbula Public School students getting first preference of placements. Students from surrounding schools have the opportunity to use the service though so get your enrolment forms in quickly to secure your child's place. We will confirm via Facebook when the start date is fully approved.

Regards,

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