

*Your place*

# Autumn Newsletter

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## Welcome

A welcome message from the Educational Leader  
For the many people who may not know who I am, my name is Sandra and I am the kindergarten teacher and Educational Leader at Hampton Park Community House. I work behind the scenes, programming and implementing changes to the room. I have an amazing supporting team in OSHC & kindergarten who go above and beyond to help our vision come to life.

At Hampton Park Community house, we have a vision for our children's services area, which we are seeing come to life each day. You may have noticed some changes that have been made over the last term, and I'm happy to say it's only that start. As more changes happen around the centre, we will send out notifications to keep you informed.

Part of our vision is creating a space that is inspired by the children and reflects family input. We ask all families to give us input and feedback about the service and practice.

We have also introduced a family message board outside the room, where you will find all notices and updates posted.

### Please remember for term two

- Please bring in a family photo for the family wall
- Bring in recycled materials from home that we can use for art
- Make sure you child has their hat every day; No hat, No play!

If you have any questions, feedback or concerns about the program and practice please get in touch!

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## Meet our team members



**Sandra**  
Educational Leader  
& Kindergarten



**Amy**  
Director of  
Children's Services



**Najah**  
OSHC Room Leader



**Zohra**  
OSHC Educator



**Tasmeen**  
OSHC Educator

## Your place

# Vacation Care program

Note: Closed over Easter Public Holidays



Join us these school holidays for exciting activities with friends!

**Your place**  
**Vacation Care Program**  
Tues 11th - FRI 22nd April 2022  
6.30am - 6.30pm  
T: 03 8768 8342  
www.hamptonparkch.vic.edu.au

**Hampton Park Community House CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

Day	Date	Activity	Cost
MON	11th	Bricks Works	\$46.50
TUES	12th	Mindfulness Day	\$54.00
WED	13th	Treasure Chest Quest	\$65
THURS	14th	Circus Program	\$50
FRI	15th	Public Holiday	
MON	18th	Public Holiday	
TUES	19th	Easter Art Craft Day	\$50
WED	20th	Zumba with Claudia	\$54
THURS	21st	Mindfulness and Build up our own play area	\$54
FRI	22nd	Planting & Board Game Day	\$54

**What to bring:**  
- A healthy morning tea  
- A healthy lunch (eg. sandwich, wrap, smoothie)  
- A reusable drink bottle  
- Suitable clothes

**What NOT to bring:**  
- NO PEANUTS  
- Junk Food  
- No sharp or things to be worn

Bookings from 18 March 2022  
From 6.30am to 6.30pm daily  
Cost: \$50 per day for full child care (if applicable) except Special Program days with bookings listed above. Includes: Breakfast and Afternoon snack is provided daily.  
Please see the whiteboard daily for any further information.

## Changes to the service

We are moving to OWNA

Owina is a childcare app that lets you do all the things you need, in the one place. We are in the final stages of the process. Once we are live with OWNA, we will send out information on how to navigate the application.

- Sign your child in and out
- Check daily updates
- View learning stories
- Check CS Service updates
- Connect with educators and admin



## Policies & Procedures

Hampton Park Community House have updated all the policies in relation to children's services. Copies of the policies can be found in the centre, on the app and on the Hampton park community house website!

Please email: [managercs@hamptonparkch.vic.edu.au](mailto:managercs@hamptonparkch.vic.edu.au) if you need clarification or have any suggestions.



## Book Donations

A huge thank you to **123 read 2 me**, for the amazing donation of 6 boxes of books.

# Your place

## What's new?

### Physical environment

We are so proud of the amazing changes that have been made in the children's services room.

The room has been transformed into an open learning space, that provides endless opportunity for learning and play.

In the coming months, we will have more changes happening inside the room and in the yard! We will keep you all updates with any works being done.



There are plenty of new resources and equipment for the room!



## Snapshots

### Term One



Reading



Interacting



Outdoor play

## Safe seats, safe kids

Did you know that over 70% of child car restraints are incorrectly installed or used? To help parents and carers ensure their children are travelling safely on every trip, Kidsafe Victoria have released a free Child Car Restraint E-learning Tool.

The e-learning tool includes a range of interactive activities, videos and demonstrations to provide you with practical information and advice – relevant to your child's age and stage - on topics including:

### To access the e-learning tool

Please visit <https://safeseatssafekids.com.au/courses/child-car-restraints/>

For **FREE** Child Care Restraint Fittings and Safety Checks at Hampton Park Community House book your place now.

**HOW:** Parents and carers (including grandparents!) can book in a free child car restraint fitting or safety check by registering through the 'Safe Seats Safe Kids' website.

### Health Information:

For the wellbeing of our team and all of those attending the venues, if you feel unwell or are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, we kindly ask you to cancel your appointment and follow the Victorian Government's advice.



- The child car restraint laws and best practice guidelines
- Choosing a suitable child car restraint, including information and advice on the different options available
- Installing your child car restraint and common incorrect installation issues to look out for
- Adjusting and using your child car restraint as your child grows

### Important Booking Information:

Head to the '**Venue**' section of our website, and select a location near you from the drop down menu. Alternatively, please use the interactive map to click on a location near you.

Bookings are available for one child car restraint fitting/check per appointment slot. If you need to have more than one child car restraint fitted/checked in your vehicle, you will require a separate booking for each child car restraint.

You will be required to acknowledge our terms and conditions of attendance before confirming your booking. Among a number of requirements, these require you to cancel your appointment if you are feeling unwell or experiencing the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), for the well being of our team and all those attending our venues.

Under the current requirements, it is recommended that masks be worn outdoors when physical distancing can't be maintained.

Please undertake our '**safety check**' before attending an event to find out if your child car restraint is suitable.

## Your place

# What's on at Hampton Park?

### Community Hearing Health Event

12th and 24th May  
11.30am-1pm

**Venue:** Hampton Park Community House

**Call:** Zohra on M: 0493 040 499 to register  
Short courses



**Zohra**

Community Development  
Coordinator



**Lorna**

Family Support  
Program Coordinator

### Flexible computers

Term 2 -Thursdays 1-2.30pm  
HP Library  
English for Life

Term 2 -Monday's 9am-12pm

**Venue:** HPCH Classroom  
Employability Skills Program  
Term 2

**Venue:** HP Library

### Neighbourhood House Week (9-15 May)

Look out for activities and events planned to celebrate our neighbourhood Hampton Park. Would you like to get involved? Speak to Zohra our Community Development Co-ordinator (0493 040 499)

### Community Groups

Ask Zohra about joining a special interest group

- Hampton Park Garden Group
- Women's Social Group
- Men's Social Group

## Special Days & events in Australia

Term 2, 2022

### April

**Sat, 2 April** – Play Outside Day

**Sat, 2 April** – Ramadan begins

**Wed, 6 April** – Sat, 16 April  
Nature Play Week

**Thurs, 7 April** – World Health Day

**Tues, 12 April** – International Day of Human Space Flight

**Thurs, 14 April** – Vaisakhi-Sikh

**Fri, 15 April** – Good Friday Public Holiday

**Sun, 17 April** – Easter Sunday

**Mon, 18 April** – Easter Monday  
Public Holiday

**Mon, 18 April** – World Heritage Day

**Thurs, 21 April** – World Creativity & Innovation Day

**Fri, 22 April** – Earth Day

**Sat, 23 April** – World Book & Copyright Day

**Mon, 25 April** – ANZAC Public Holiday

**Thurs 28 April** – R U OK? Day

### May

**Sun, 1 May** – Ramadan ends

**Mon, 2 May** – Labour Public Holiday Day, QLD

**Mon, 2 May** – Tues, 3 May –  
Eid al-Fitr

**Tues, 3 May – Mon, 9 May** – Book week

**Sat, 7 May** – Play Outside Day

**Sun, 8 May** – Mother's Day

**Sun, 8 May** – Hana Matsuri (Buddhism)

**Sun, 15 May** – International Day of Families

**Wed 25 May** – National Simultaneous Storytime

**Thurs, 26 May** – National Sorry Day

**Fri, 27 May – Fri 3 June** – Reconciliation week

### June

**Sat, 4 June** – Play Outside Day

**Fri, 27 May to Fri, 3 June** – National Reconciliation Week

**Fri, 3 June** – Mabo Day

**Sun, 5 June** – World Environment Day

**Mon, 6 June** – Western Australia Day  
Public Holiday Day

**Wed, 8 June** – World Oceans Day

**Wed, 8 June** – National Buddy Day

**Mon, 13 June** – Queen's Birthday (not in WA or QLD) Public Holiday Day



#### COVID Safe

Being COVID Safe is a responsibility we all share. When you visit Hampton Park Community House, please follow our COVID safety rules. Always provide your details, listen to staff, maintain hygiene and practice physical distancing.

A copy of Hampton Park Community House Covidsafe Plan is available at reception and at [www.hamptonparkch.vic.edu.au](http://www.hamptonparkch.vic.edu.au)



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CHILDREN'S SERVICES



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#### A Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

Hampton Park Community House affirms the organisation's commitment to child safety. We have a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse, and we are committed to upholding children's best interests and keeping them safe, and we actively work to listen to and empower children within our organisation.

#### Call today:

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