



DEEBING HEIGHTS STATE SCHOOL

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Fortnight ending 26th May, 2022

Priority 1: Excellence in Teaching

Consistently implement evidence based, high impact teaching strategies



Priority 2: Excellence in Learning

Enhance systems and processes for making student growth visible in an inclusive environment



Priority 3: Excellence in Partnerships

Implement a dispersed leadership model that supports the sustainability of effective systems and pro-



3A Lennox S
3A Sophia P.K
3B Isabella W
3B Joanna J
3C Destiny D
3C Rubi S
3/4A Ellie N
3/4A Mia S
4A Bailey A
4A Elyse T
4B Amarli E
4B Cooper L
5A Lachlan B
5A Tahlia P
5B George P/K
5B Georgia K
5/6A Ava H
5/6A Connor W
6A Jason N
6A Ruby O
6B Jack M
6B Pandora B



Well done!

2022 Term Dates

Term 1

7th February—1st April

Term 2

19th April—24th June

Term 3

11th July—16 September

Term 4

4th October—9 December

Parade

9am Friday

P&C Meetings

2nd Wednesday of the Month at 6:30pm
in the Resource Centre.

Date Claimers

Year 2 Incurtion—26th May
Under 8's Day—26th May
Queensland Day—6th June
Yr3-6 Athletics Carnival—15 June
P-2 Athletics Carnival—23rd June
End of Term—24th June

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



First 5 Forever

The [First 5 Forever](#) program is a Queensland Government initiative that supports children's early literacy development. First 5 Forever sessions are held at local libraries, and parent/carers and their children have an opportunity to access fun activities, meet other parents/carers and discover new ideas to try at home!

First 5 Forever offer:

[Baby Play](#) for babies aged 0 – 12 months. This session focuses on engagement with parents/caregivers and their babies with simple rhymes, songs, actions and books shared during the sessions.

[Rhyme Time](#) for children aged 0 – 4 years. These are fun and high energy sing and dance sessions!

[Story Time](#) is recommended for children aged 3 to 5 years. Stories are shared in fun ways and can include using puppets, songs and games.

Click [here](#) to find a local library.

[First 5 Forever](#) also has a multitude of online resources for parents/carers, including recommended books for children and fun tips to try at home to support children's literacy development.

You Can Help Stop The Spread Of Head Lice

Head lice are common in children (particularly between the ages of 3 and 11 years) and have nothing to do with personal hygiene or cleanliness. While head lice don't carry disease, their bites can cause itching and skin irritation. To reduce your child's risk of getting head lice you can ensure long hair is tied up, discourage the sharing of brushes and combs, and minimise head-to-head contact with others. Remember, anyone can get head lice. These critters have no preferences for hair colour or type, age or ethnicity. Check out this [fact sheet](#) for more information.



Queensland Day

Queensland Day marks our state's official separation, as an independent colony, from New South Wales on 6 June 1859. It is an opportunity to celebrate our state's culture, heritage, people, places and industry. It also allows each one of us to reflect on what it means to be a Queenslander. In addition to local community celebrations, key landmarks and buildings will be lit up on the day. For more information and some great resources, see the [Queensland Day website](#).



We The Differents – Growth Mindset

You may have heard the term "growth mindset". A growth mindset is important for children to develop as it allows them to believe that intelligence can grow and be strengthened with effort. It will help your child understand that things may be hard to do now but may not always be hard; and to embrace the process. Help your child develop a growth mindset by encouraging them to check out the [We the Differents](#) website. The website has a range of articles to support your child to find their different, find out about education options and find support.



Andrew McDonald
Principal

From The Deputy Principal

Winter Uniform

Deebing Heights State School Uniform and Dress Code aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- Ready identification of students and non-students at school
- Fostering a sense of belonging
- Developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of physical, economic or social differences
- Minimising exposure to hazards by adopting uniform items that enhance workplace health and safety

Please ensure your child is dressed in school uniform every day. The Uniform Policy states that an official school jacket (or plain, navy blue fleece jacket or pullover) and official school tracksuit pants (or plain, navy blue fleece tracksuit pants) should be worn in winter. Black or navy blue stockings may also be worn under shorts/skirts/skorts. Jumpers with logos or writing are not an acceptable part of our uniform.

As the weather cools down, please remember to clearly mark all jumpers and jackets with your child's name and class. This helps when items are removed during the day as it warms up.

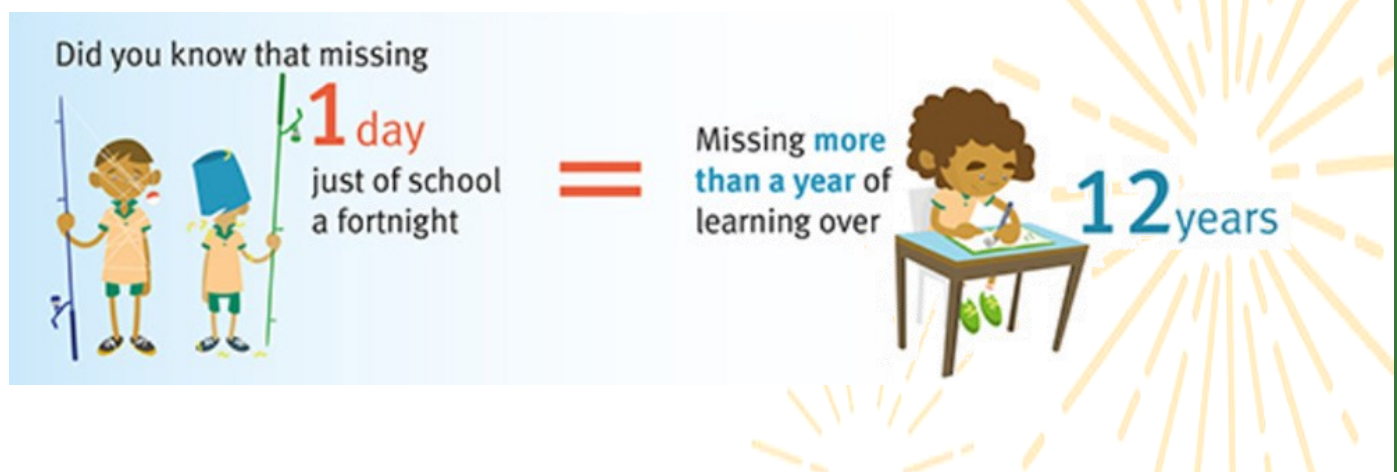
	Required	Recommended	Consequences
Sun Safety	A broad brimmed or bucket hat (caps are not sun safe). Sun safe shirts (rashies) required for any outdoor water activity including camps and excursions).	School branded hat or navy blue hat.	Students without required hat/shirt must stay in shade (covered areas).
Shoes	Closed in leather, non marking shoes with plain socks (canvas, skate and slip on shoes are unsafe and not permitted).	Plain black shoes. White socks.	Students without safe footwear must not participate in high risk activities (physical activities, science experiments, etc).
Tops	Official school polo shirt (or plain navy blue polo alternative).		Students sent to office to receive a loan item to replace the non-uniform item. Loan item is swapped back at the end of the day. Loan items will be washed by staff.
Bottoms	Official school shorts (or plain navy blue shorts, plain navy blue skirt, plain navy blue skorts) Bike pants may be worn but are not to be visible.		
Winter Tops	Official school jacket (or plain navy blue fleece jacket or pullover).		
Winter Bottoms	Official school tracksuit pants (or plain navy blue fleece tracksuit pants). Black or navy blue or natural stockings are permitted under shorts/skirts/skorts.		
Personal Appearance	If earrings are worn they must be safe (studs/sleepers). Watches may be worn. Necklaces/wrist bands/bracelets/rings should not be visible. Make up/nail polish should not be visible (natural colours). Markings (e.g. tattoos, temporary tattoos, drawing on the skin) should not be visible.	Long hair (below shoulder length) tied back with school coloured hair ties or ribbons (to reduce risk of head lice). Hair should be a natural colour and not an extreme style (e.g. tracks, mohawks, rats tails).	Students asked to comply with required expectations (e.g. remove jewellery, make up, visible markings, etc).
Consequences	See above.	Reminders regarding expectations and school/personal pride.	Students repeatedly out of uniform or out of uniform intentionally without cause will be dealt with via the Responsible Behaviour Plan. Parents are to send a note explaining the out of uniform issue, so staff know it is not intentional.

Everyday Counts

Research shows that in Queensland, higher student attendance is associated, on average, with higher student achievement. Additionally, attending school every day helps children to build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience.

Under the law, you must make sure your child is enrolled and attends school on all school days unless there is a reasonable excuse. Schools must monitor attendance of students and follow up with parents and caregivers any unexplained absences.

If your child does not want to go to school, or you are having trouble getting your child to school, please talk to their class teacher for assistance and support.



From The Deputy Principal

We're participating in the

2022
Premier's
reading
challenge

We love
reading!



The Premier's Reading Challenge is an annual state-wide initiative which aims to improve literacy and encourage children to read for pleasure and learning.

To complete the challenge:

- Prep to Year 2 must read or experience at least 20 books,
- Years 3 and 4 must read at least 20 books, and
- Years 5 and 6 must read at least 15 books.

Record how many books your child has read on the reader record form and return to the school office by **29th August**. Every student who completes the challenge will receive a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier.

While there is no compulsory reading list for the challenge, book lists have been developed in conjunction with the Department of Education's (DoE) Reading Centre, to help students, teachers, parents and guardians select age appropriate reading material. The book lists are available on the [Premier's Reading Challenge](#) website. Also, Deebling Heights students have been registered to use the online eBooks Digital Library by downloading the Sora app and logging using their MIS ID.

If your child has lost their recording sheet, please contact their classroom teacher.

Under 8's

Prep, Year 1 & 2 students celebrated Under 8's at school on Thursday 26th May. This year the theme for Under 8's was **Play in a Changing World**.

Children rotated through three activities:

- Wild Rangers – presentation about some of our wildlife
- Footsteps – dance routine
- Craft – art activities



A big shout out to Ms Mills, Mrs Wardle, Miss Siddans, Mrs Maddy, Mrs Scott, Miss Estrada and Mrs Keidge for organising this event for our students.

Allergy and Anaphylaxis

A reminder to our families for your help to support children in our school who are at risk of anaphylaxis. Although we are not a 'nut free' school we do encourage you to:

- Talk with your children about food allergies
- Teach your children not to share food
- Encourage hand washing after eating
- Not send food which has peanuts or tree nuts in the main ingredients list

Ask your child to get help immediately if their schoolmate with allergies gets sick.

Deputy Principal
Beth Strow

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS Week 6

CLASS DRAMA PERFORMANCES: Class Drama Performances have now been filmed, and will be presented at assemblies throughout the rest of this term.

At Junior Assembly this Friday Prep A, 1A and 2A videos will be shown.

At Senior Assembly next Friday 3A, 4A, 5A videos will be shown.

This also means that Drama units are completed and all classes now begin their Dance units.

CHARLIE and the CHOCOLATE FACTORY SCHOOL MUSICAL: We've had an amazing response from students wanting to take part in our musical, and auditions for **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** are almost completed. Next week will be the final week for anyone from Years 2 -6 who has missed their audition time. These are the scheduled times for next week:

Musicians - Tuesday 2nd break

Main Cast Actors - Wednesday 1st break

Dancers - Wednesday 2nd break

Singers - Thursday 2nd break



Voluntary Building Contribution

\$50 per new student or \$25 per returning student

How we use the funds collected:

The **Voluntary Building Contribution of \$50 per new student and \$25 per returning student** will be used directly to achieve our improvement goals on our facilities improvement wish list. Funds are needed to ensure classes assist with the costs of building a senior playground over the next four years.

The P&C will contribute 50 cents in every \$1.00 donated by our families and the school will co-invest by moving funds allocated to other facilities improvements on the wish list. This strategic partnership between parents, P&C and school should make these building improvements possible within the next four years.

The success of this initiative is contingent upon an 80% payment rate or above.

How to Pay:

Download the QKR app and choose the "Voluntary Contribution" from the menu!

Student Resource Scheme

Your Student Resource Scheme has been invoiced and is due on 7th March 2022.

Preferred method of payment for all invoices is via BPoint by clicking on the link on your invoice or through the QKR payment app. The payment window is also available for over the counter payments however please note this is only open Wednesday 8:30—9:15am for cashless payments.

If you are experiencing financial hardship families are able to set up direct debit agreements with the school. This may be for a one off payment, or for a series of instalments in order to pay off your SRS or any excursions or camps over time. Please contact our administration for further information.

Nikki Mensforth
Business Manager

Year 3s Excursion Paradise Country



The day was filled with excitement from the moment we arrived 7:30am at school!



When we arrived at Paradise Country we were greeted by our personal guide Mat who made sure we had a jam-packed day full of engaging adventure. To start the day Mat brought out some delicious damper for the students to eat as he wanted to make sure their bellies were full.



We saw different shows. We went on wildlife walks and we got to meet Matilda the koala. This links really nicely into our persuasive unit we are currently undergoing as we will be arguing about why we should save the koalas from extinction.



School Safe Parking



Passenger Loading Zones allow you to stop for **up to two minutes** to pick up or drop off a passenger.

A driver must not stop or park for **longer than indicated in a loading zone**. Loading zones are in place to ensure a high turnover of vehicles can utilise the loading zone to drop off or collect children. The driver should stay in the vehicle where possible.



School Entrance Reminder

Parents please be mindful that access to the school grounds at pick up and drop off times is via the front gate off the carpark on Rawlings Road and not via the staff carpark on Bottlebrush Drive. Deliveries do occur at this time and safety is our main concern.

Thank you for your support.

The school only accepts **LOOP** orders on-line



Book Club LOOP for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



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<https://soraapp.com>



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Search for and select **Education Queensland**



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Sign in with your **MIS-ID**, tap & enjoy!



COMMUNITY NOTICES

DEEBING HEIGHTS SS AUSKICK

When: Tuesdays April 26th - 3:10pm till 4:10pm
 First Session: COME N TRY FOR FREE MUST REGISTER
 Cost: \$80 (6 Sessions)
 Includes benefits pack, ball, bag & more!

Register Here For Come N Try

Register Here For Payment

For more info Contact: Chris.Ryan@af.com.au or Phone: 0439 136 990

ENROL NOW FOR 2023

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Enrolment forms for 2023 are available through the school website and office. Out of Catchment enrolments for 2023 are encouraged to apply as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Contact 3819 5333 or visit www.ripleyvalleyssc.eq.edu.au

Book Week is coming!

This year the Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week will be held **Week 7 of Term 3** from **20-26 August 2022**. The theme this time is **Dreaming with eyes open...**

Book Week is all about **celebrating books**! We organise fun activities during playtime based on special short-listed books and read some of these great stories. The library often gets splashed with theme decorations and there's something fun to do **every day**! Last year the theme was **Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds** and there was a competition to guess which "de-aged" photo was of which teacher ... this year there will be another exciting competition...

And of course, we will have a **Dress-Up Day** on **Friday 26 August** where you get to come to school dressed as a book character!

Lock Book Week in for **Week 7 of Term 3**, start thinking about your costume (it doesn't need to be costly or super fancy!) and stay tuned for more information as Book Week gets closer!

Happy reading!





HOLIDAY CRICKET CLINIC

HENSHELL CRICKET ACADEMY PTY LTD will be conducting a Cricket Coaching Clinic during the Winter School Holidays. **Boys and girls of all standards, from any school, aged 6-17 are welcome.**

This "Skill Essentials" Clinic includes skills and activities for the beginner to the representative player. Non cricketers who want to try the game before signing on with a junior club, or are simply looking for something active to do during the school holidays, are very welcome.

Attendees will be arranged with others of like ability and age, in groups small enough to ensure individual tutelage is provided. **Standard and High Performance programs run concurrently to suit all skill levels.** A Cricket Australia accredited coach will be allocated to each group for the duration of the Clinic to enable a structured program to be delivered and a comprehensive written report will be provided post Clinic conclusion.

A Senior First Aid Officer will be in attendance in case of illness or injury.

**HENSHELL
CRICKET ACADEMY**
was established in
2008 by former
Queensland First
Class cricketer,
Brett Henschell, to
provide a locally
based coaching
service dedicated
to improving the
skills of cricketers.

WINTER HOLIDAY CRICKET CLINIC

Where: Ipswich Grammar School, Darling Street, Ipswich

When: Tuesday 28 June to Thursday 30 June 2022 inclusive

Time: 9:00am to 12:30pm daily

What to wear: Cricket whites (if owned), sunscreen and hat/cap

What to bring: Personal cricket gear (if owned), water, snack and positive attitude

Cost: \$150.00 incl. GST (family rates available)

To book your place at this 3 day Clinic, or for further information, please contact Brett Henschell via

✉ henschellcricket@bigpond.com

☎ 0458 026 224



Newsletter

Program spotlight



Your
OSHC.



Your OSHC by Camp Australia provides enriching experiences for children during term – before school, after school and on pupil free days. At Your OSHC we give children a supportive space to continue their development, build confidence and socialise with their friends.

What's coming up at Your OSHC this week:

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

Monday 30/05/2022	Aboriginal Loom band bracelets
Tuesday 31/05/22	Woven Raffia Bracelets
Wednesday 01/06/22	Australia Animal Foam Mosaic
Thursday 02/06/22	Dot Painting
Wednesday 03/06/22	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island flag



Stop by and say hi!

Please feel free to visit the program with your children to meet the team and see what happens in our great program each school day.



Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

[Visit our blog](#)



Register for Your OSHC

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

[Register now](#)

Register free and book now at www.campastralia.com.au

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Australia

Whether you call it Handball,
Downball or 4-Square,
get ready for the...

2022

HANDBALL

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Your pathway to the Regional Championships starts here:



Rocketeers Service Championships (Autumn Holidays)

Book into *Operation: Handball Championships* these Autumn holidays. Plus, every Rocketeers handballer gets their own handball and water bottle.



Your OSHC Service Championships (May 16–20, 2022)

Book into Your OSHC at no additional cost to your session fee.

All Service Champions
will win their place
at the Regional
Championships,
coming in June.



The Regional Championships


Coming in June

★
All across Australia

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Stay tuned for details



To find out more and for terms and conditions
www.campastralia.com.au/handball

by  **Camp
Australia**

Enriching Outside School Hours Experiences

At Camp Australia we guide children's growth before school, after school and on their holidays. Our engaged educators foster a safe, inclusive environment where the children can relax, have fun and grow.



What is OSHC?

OSHC stands for Outside School Hours Care. An OSHC service provides education and care for primary school-age children (generally aged 5 to 12 years) outside school hours and during school holidays. Depending on your school, it can cover Before School Care, After School Care and Vacation Care.

At Camp Australia, our vision is 'To support families in achieving their dreams' and to do that we take a unique approach to OSHC based on over 30 years of experience.



Tailored programs that children love

Our passionate educators observe and engage your child when designing the experiences they can expect in our service. Our tailored programs provide enrichment and enjoyment, and are centred around learning outcomes.

OSHC is a great place for your child to meet new friends and bond over shared interests. We design programs that bring children together so they can connect and grow outside school hours.

At Camp Australia, we understand that term time and holidays are two very different times in a child's year, so we have made a clear distinction in our service offerings.

Your OSHC by Camp Australia provides enriching experiences for children during term – before school, after school and on pupil free days. At *Your OSHC* we give children a supportive space to continue their development, build confidence and socialise with their friends.

Rocketeers by Camp Australia takes children on extraordinary adventures during their school holidays. The holidays are a child's time, and our exciting and varied Rocketeer's programs ensure that your child has the best school holidays.

The most engaged Educators in OSHC

Our educators are passionate about inspiring children. Supported by a national team of specialists, they focus on providing a safe environment where children can learn, play and connect.

Encouraged to bring each of their own skillsets and passions into their services, they provide a stimulating and tailored experience.

Easy, hassle-free care

Camp Australia's flexibility provides families with care, how and when you need it. Your OSHC Before School Care starts early in the morning, and After School Care goes into the evening and our Rocketeers school holiday programs run all day – so you can work around your life schedule.



Your OSHC.

OSHC that Inspires.

Every program is tailored to the likes and interests of each child in our service. Our educators design experiences that will inspire your child's confidence, independence and imagination.



At Your OSHC, we provide enriching experiences that bookend your child's school day.

In any one week, children could be participating in science experiments, active play, creative expression and more – we believe in learning through experience so that each child can grow into who they want to be.



Music and Dance



Outdoor Play



Yoga and Mindfulness



Enriching and Tailored Programs

Every experience with Camp Australia is tailored to the unique children in our service. Underpinning these activities is Camp Australia's approach – the CA Way. Supported by frameworks such as My Time Our Place and The National Quality Standards, the CA Way is a structured approach to bringing programs to life – resulting in positive childhood experiences for children, and their subsequent learning outcomes.

To us, OSHC is a deliberate environment to guide children's growth.

Every session offers children the choice between different experiences including Sports, Construction, Art and Craft, Homework, Mindfulness and Games.

At Your OSHC, each term we also have at least one feature week like National Science Week, Your Creative Kids art week or National Recycling Week, and every holiday is a new mission at Rocketeers with showcase activities that will excite your child.

To find out more, speak to the Coordinator at your service who will be happy to take you through the detailed program for the service and answer any questions you may have.

For more information about the fees and times at your service you can also visit campaustralia.com.au and search for your school's service page.



Food at Your OSHC and Rocketeers

Camp Australia provides children with a yummy, nutritious breakfast to make sure they start their day the right way, and a healthy and tasty afternoon snack to fuel young minds. As we cater to the likes and needs (dietary, religious and other) of the children in our service, every menu is different.

We're also passionate about cooking ensuring that, where possible, we try to incorporate at least 2 cooking experiences into our programs every week.



ROCKETEERS

Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

The holidays are a child's time and Rocketeers is a space for children to escape the ordinary and experience the extraordinary during their school holidays.

Every school holiday break is a new mission for children to embark upon. Directed by the children, informed by family feedback and designed by our dedicated holiday crew – no two days

are the same with Rocketeers, with each day of the mission encountering new and exciting adventures that children love.

The Rocketeers experience is all about variety. Any given day could see your child competing in a sport carnival, cooking up a storm, experimenting with science and getting hands-on with construction.



To attend, your child doesn't need to be a student at the school where we operate. Visit www.campaustralia.com.au to find a Rocketeers location near you.

Registration is FREE!

To attend our care, families must register their child.

Why? Registering your child means we have all the information we need to safely care for them. So, we recommend all families to register an account with us. That way, if you ever need us, you just have to book a session, as we already have all the documentation we need from you.

To register, visit campaaustralia.com.au. When starting your registration process, please consider:

- Do you have a Customer Reference Number (CRN) from the Department of Human Services?
- Does your child have any medical certificates/ documents?
- Medical information - do you have details of your family doctor?
- Do you have any Court Order documents?

Also ensure:

- You have your payment details at hand
- You have your Child Immunisation Certificates ready to upload

But don't worry, you can always resume your saved registration at a time that suits you.

We recommend to always book in advance.

To secure your children's spot, we encourage you to make your bookings in advance. As we operate a childcare service governed by the Education and Care National Law and Regulations, we can only operate our services within Educator to child ratios and licensed space. The more notice we have on bookings, the better able we are to staff the service to meet your needs.

It is easy to make and manage your bookings 24/7 through our Parent Portal or Parent Portal smartphone app. Simply log onto pp.campaaustralia.com.au or head over to your native app store and search for Camp Australia.

Alternatively, you can call our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343. The team are available from 8am - 9pm, 7 days a week - Except National Public Holidays.

Child Care Subsidy

Did you know you can reduce the cost of care with a Government subsidy?

We strongly recommend you apply for the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) to determine whether you're eligible. Your eligibility for the subsidy is determined by:

- Your family's annual adjusted taxable income
- An activity test
- The type of childcare service

To find out if you are eligible, simply log into MyGov and complete your Child Care Subsidy Assessment.

Fees and Times

To find out about the fees and operating hours at your service, please visit our website at campaaustralia.com.au and search for your school.



The Parent Portal app

Our industry leading Parent Portal app gives you complete access to your Camp Australia account.

Featuring a simplified booking process, easy-access billing and the ability to update your and your child's details - it's unrivalled access at your fingertips. Download the app now on the App Store or get it on Google Play.



- Simple booking calendar.
- Stress-free billing.
- Manage your account with ease.
- Contact your service with one touch.

