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2nd June 2009

Dear Parents / Guardian,

We will be offering a Vacation Care program from Monday 29th June – Friday 10th July 2009.

Please find attached the Booking Form and a program of each day's main activities. Merinda Park Learning and Community Centre office will be opened for bookings from 7.30am till 6.00pm on **Wednesday 17th June 2009**.

In order to secure a place for your child/ren a booking form must be fully completed and payment for care and excursions paid for at the time of booking.

You can download booking forms, OSHC handbooks, newsletters and other information off our web site www.merindapark.com.au.

FEES

All outstanding Before and After school and previous Vacation Care fees must be brought up to date before Vacation Care forms will be accepted .

If you have any concerns regarding the payment of your fees please see the Centre Manager.

A separate enrolment form is attached for the excursions. If your child is attending on these days this form **MUST** be completed before your child will be allowed to attend the excursion.

WHAT TO BRING AND WEAR

All children need to be provided with a coat and appropriate clothing and footwear. ***Children also need to bring a healthy morning tea and a cut lunch each day in an insulated lunch box and afternoon tea on Excursion Days. Children need to have their own drinks every day (Preferably water in a named refillable drink container)***

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

A copy of our Children's Services Policies and Procedures is located in the Childcare Office; if you would like to view this at any time please see staff.

This program has been based on feedback from your child/ren during April school holiday program.

Please note that the program and arranged transport maybe subject to alteration or cancellation in the event of circumstances beyond our control.

If you have any queries or require any assistance please contact Kim Kauhausen–Crump or Out of School Hours staff between 6.30am and 6.00pm weekdays.

Yours sincerely,

Kim Kauhausen - Crump
Children's Services Co-Ordinator

PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM **FOR JUNE – JULY 2009 VACATION CARE PROGRAM**

Dear Parents

This form **MUST** be completed to enable your child/ren to be included in the activities.

I agree that my child/ren _____
attend Merinda Park Learning and Community Centre June – July 2009 Vacation Care Special day events.

PLEASE CIRCLE DATE TO INDICATE ATTENDANCE

Tuesday 30 th June	Incursion-PJ Day & Cosmodome (mobile dome movie theatre)
Thursday 2 nd July	Excursion-Cannon Indoor Sports Centre
Wednesday 8 th July	Incursion – Fairytale Puppet Theatre
Friday 10 th July	Excursion-Roller Skating

WALKING PERMISSION

During the Vacation Care program St Therese's have been kind enough to allow us the use of their playground. We intend to take them up on their generous offer at least once a day weather permitting.

We are also lucky to have a play ground just at the back of our premises of which we would also like to take advantage if weather is permitting.

I do/do not give permission for my child/ren to be taken to St. Therese's and the adjoining park to Merinda Park Learning and Community Centre accompanied by regulatory staff ratios during the June-July 2009 vacation care program.

In case of illness or an accident, I hereby authorize the staff from the program to seek medical or other attention, as required, at my cost.

I also understand that although all care and supervision is provided, that neither the Merinda Park Learning and Community Centre Inc, or its officers and servants will be liable for any injury or damage however caused or of whatever nature that may be incurred by my child during attendance of these activities.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name (please print) _____

Day time contact number:: _____ Mobile number:: _____

Emergency contact name:: _____

Relationship to child/ren: _____ Contact Number: _____

Name of Doctor/Medical Service _____

Full Address Doctor/Medical service _____

Telephone number _____

PARENTS COPY please keep

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY

Monday 29th June- Incursion Woofpurnay Veterinary Hospital Cost Free!

Dr Michelle Hunt a vet, & Michelle an animal behaviourist, from Woofpurnay Veterinary Hospital in Narre Warren North are visiting our Centre free of charge to talk to the children about responsible pet ownership. The incursion will start around 10.00am and they will be bringing along a dog and either a snake or a lizard to demonstrate how to respect and care for these animals.

Information/Flyers will also be available from City of Casey regarding responsible pet ownership.

Please bring along a photo of your or someone else's animal to make photo frames or placemats

Tuesday 30th June – Incursion Cosmodome Cost \$7.00

Cosmodome is a brand new and innovative approach to visual education. It is a mobile movie dome theatre which combines the educational features of a planetarium with the visual effects of digital 3D films. Projecting all over the dome, it provides an enthralling and memorable experience. The children will be watching "Earth's wild ride" or "Future moon" followed by an introducing to Astronomy with our "Night Sky Guide" both sessions will run for one hour.

Session one	10.00am-11.00am	Prep – Grade 3
Session two	11.00am-12.00pm	Grade 4- upwards

Thursday 2nd July – Excursion Cannon Indoor Sports Centre Cost \$25.50

Please ensure your child/ren will be at the Centre by 8.15am as we will be leaving the centre at 8.30am sharp travelling by Cranbourne Transit to Cannon Indoor Sports Centre, Narre Warren.

Activities included:

- BBQ lunch and unlimited drinks;
- Kickball, Soccer world cup round robin, Beach volleyball, Ball machine lane;
- Poison ball, British bulldogs (non contact) & celebrity heads;
- Indoor touch footy &
- Treasure hunt

Departing at 3.00pm.

Merinda Park Learning and Community Centre has the sole use of Cannon Indoor Sports Centre.

Our Excursion policy requires all children and staff for their safety to be transported in a bus with seat belts. Unfortunately there is an additional cost for this.

As it is a policy, of Merinda Park Learning and Community Centre, please ensure that your child/ren do not bring spending money on excursions.

Wednesday 8th July – Incursion Fairytale Puppet Theatre Cost \$5.00

Sleeping Beauty with Christine Assange – Storyteller and Puppeteer.

A visually beautiful original production of this much loved traditional story told in authentic fairytale language and enhanced by sound effects and classical music. Features 12 European style handcrafted papier mache puppets, richly costumed, performing within the enchanted world of castle turrets and velvet. The live interactive performance begins at 12.30pm and runs for 45 minutes.

Following the performance Christine will talk to the children about designing, producing, writing and puppet-making.

Friday 10th July – Excursion Roller Skating Cost \$16.80

Please ensure your child/ren will be at the Centre by 9.00am as we will be leaving the centre at 9.15am sharp travelling by Cranbourne Transit to Dandenong Skate World. Included in the cost is the hire of roller skates or blades, one hot dog and unlimited iced drinks. If your child/ren have blades they are welcome to use them instead. We expect to arrive back at Merinda Park Community Centre around 3.00pm.

All children will need to bring the following-

- **Healthy Morning tea**
- **Appropriate clothing (long pants and socks)**
- **Parents may provide their child/ren with additional food or drink also on this day.**

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During excursions all staff carry mobile phones. If there is an emergency and you need to contact your child, please ring Merinda Park Learning and Community Centre on 03 5996-9056. Your message will be passed on.

ALL CHILDREN MUST BRING A REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLE, HEALTHY MORNING TEA AND LUNCH EACH DAY ALONG WITH A COAT - PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL BELONGINGS ARE CLEARLY NAMED.

**MERINDA PARK LEARNING & COMMUNITY CENTRE
VACATION CARE BOOKING FORM**

Monday 29th June – Friday 10th July 2009

Tick each box corresponding to the days you wish to book

FAMILY NAME _____

Child 1 _____

CCB % _____

Child 2 _____

CCB % _____

Child 3 _____

CCB % _____

Child 4 _____

CCB % _____

Have you completed an enrolment form for 2009

Yes/No

Have you read our 2009 Parents Hand book?

Yes/No

Date	Activities	Child 1	Child 2	Child 3	Child 4	Cost
Monday 29 th June	Pet Day- Incursion Woofpurnay Veterinary Hospital					
Tuesday 30 th June	Incursion – PJ & Cosmodome					\$7.00
Wednesday 1 st July	Kids in the Kitchen					
Thursday 2 nd July	Excursion- Cannon Indoor Sports Centre (includes BBQ lunch)					\$25.50
Friday 3 rd July	Crazy Day (Come dressed with crazy hair/clothes)					
Monday 6 th July	Games Day					
Tuesday 7 th July	Sewing Day (byo Pillow case to decorate & knitting needles)					
Wednesday 8 th July	Incursion- Fairytale Puppet Theatre					\$5.00
Thursday 9 th July	Guess Who (byo baby photo)					
Friday 10 th July	Excursion - Roller skating					\$16.80

In signing this agreement, I understand that I will be charged for all days that I have booked.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Signature of Staff _____ Date _____

Amount Paid \$ _____ Receipt No _____