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What's been happening...

FLORIADE

Term 3 Giveaway – OSHClub

Win 1 of 5 Family Passes to Floriade Nightfest! Valued at \$115

How to Enter:

- Book any Rise then Shine or Stay and Play session between 29 August and 19 September 2025.
- Use the promo code TULIP at checkout to enter the draw.



Thanks to the **Canberra Murrumbidgee Rotary Club**, Googong OSHClub has gnomes ready for painting—and every child will get the chance to decorate one!

Each gnome will be proudly displayed at this year's Floriade Festival, giving children a chance to see their artwork showcased in Canberra's biggest celebration of spring.

Let's get creative and celebrate together, painting will start week 7 and will continue into week 8! BOOK IN NOW









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We're reviewing how we support your child's learning and wellbeing (Quality Area 1) and would love just 2 minutes of your time to help us do even better.













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Coming Up.....



Father's Day (Sep-7)







Book week Dress-Up

On Friday, 22nd August, the children arrived in their beautiful costumes and proudly brought along their favourite books. The morning was filled with excitement as they shared their stories and outfits with friends and educators. Afterwards, they all participated in the school's Book Week Parade, celebrating their love of reading in a fun and engaging way.

Announcements

Lost property:

We have a large amount of lost property over the past few weeks, including school hats, jumpers, lunch boxes, drink bottles, and casual clothing. Some items are labelled with names, but many are not.

We kindly ask that you take a moment to check the lost property area next week to see if any of the items belong to your child.

Thank you so much for your cooperation.

Quality Area Reflection:

Reflection on Book Week and Rainbow Week

QA1 - Educational Program

Children explored stories through art (Gruffalo, rainbow fish, Harry Potter) and engaged in science/nature play (volcano, sunsets, leaf crafts), supporting creativity and inquiry.

QA3 - Physical Environment

Natural materials and sensory setups (lemonade play, rainbow foods) encouraged safe exploration indoors and outdoors.

QA5 – Relationships

Collaborative projects like the rainbow mural and group cooking fostered teamwork and belonging.

QA6 - Families & Community

Book Week connected children with cultural stories and community art. Rainbow Week promoted diversity and unity.

QA7 - Leadership

Planned experiences were inclusive, well-organised, and supported educator practice.

Recipe of the week:

Rainbow Sandwiches

Ingredients:

- Wholemeal bread slices
- Cream cheese or hummus
- Assorted vegetables: grated carrot, cucumber slices, spinach, beetroot, capsicum

Instructions:

- 1. Spread bread with cream cheese or hummus.
- 2. Layer colourful veggies inside.
- 3. Cut into fun shapes using cookie cutters.



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Coordinator Overview:

Book Week:

The children have been deeply engaged in creative, cultural, and hands-on experiences that have enriched their learning and play. During our Book Week celebrations, the children explored storytelling through a variety of art and craft experiences. They made Gruffalo characters, rainbow fish, origami birds, Harry Potter ties, and even enjoyed Dr. Seuss' "Pink Ink Drink." Each activity encouraged children to bring their favourite stories to life in meaningful and imaginative ways. Book Week was also about connection children shared their favourite books with friends, participated in group story times, and even acted out short scenes, helping to build their confidence in communication and self-expression. They also connected with culture and community by creating Bunyip stars, Sky Country artworks, and a large collaborative rainbow, reflecting the diverse ways stories can be told.

Rainbow Week:

This week, the focus shifted towards nature, science, and sensory play. The children made colourful ladybugs, painted stunning sunsets, and designed unique crafts using leaves and flowers, developing both creativity and an appreciation of the natural environment. They enjoyed hands-on sensory play through lemonade making, tasting rainbow-inspired foods, and experimenting with colours, which encouraged collaboration and fun. Science curiosity came alive with an exciting volcano eruption experiment, sparking questions and wonder about cause and effect. Artistic expression continued through the creation of colourful butterflies, where the children experimented with mixing and blending paints to make unique patterns. They also explored textures and materials, adding natural elements such as sand, petals, and leaves to their artwork.

Last Week at OSHC:

Book Week Activities – Last Week

Last week, our Book Week celebrations were full of creativity, imagination, and storytelling. The children engaged in a wide variety of activities, bringing their favourite stories and characters to life. Together, they created a big rainbow fish, Gruffalo characters, and colourful birds with origami. They also made Harry Potter ties, explored their creativity with air-dry clay, and enjoyed Dr. Seuss' famous "Pink Ink Drink."

As part of our cultural explorations, the children created a beautiful rainbow, Bunyip stars, and Sky Country artworks, while also sharing cultural stories. These activities encouraged respect, imagination, and appreciation for different ways of storytelling, helping the children connect more deeply with books and traditions.

It was a wonderful week filled with laughter, creativity, and learning, as the children celebrated their love of books in so many meaningful ways.







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This week at OSH:

This Week Rainbow Week, the children will be engaging in a colourful variety of activities where they will make cheerful red ladybugs to represent the first colour of the rainbow, then move on to creating bright and glowing orange sunsets with paint and experimenting with a fun and fizzy volcano eruption using lemonade and orange juice, and finally they will explore their creativity further through imaginative purple art and craft projects that bring the week to a vibrant close.











