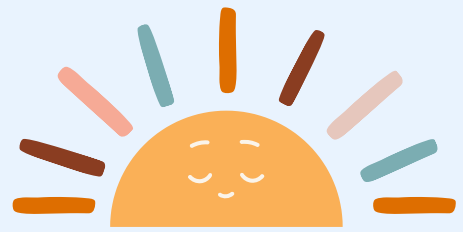


# THE LOOSH LOOP Edition 4



# NEWSLETTER

AUGUST  
2024

## Welcome to our Newsletter!

Welcome to edition 4 of the LOOSH Loop! August has flown by, and excitement for the upcoming October vacation care is growing.

We have designed this newsletter not only as a way to showcase all of the wonderful things your children have been doing at LOOSH, but to provide you with important information about what is going on at LOOSH.



## Absences

Children can be marked absent via the My Family Lounge app, emailing [admin@loosh.org.au](mailto:admin@loosh.org.au) or contacting us via 0404 137 500. We want to ensure the safety of your child; the school does not pass on absences.



## Special Arrangements

If your child is attending a lesson, please ensure you have submitted a special arrangement form no later than 1:30pm the day of an ASC lesson or the day before for a BSC lesson.

<https://form.jotform.com/240221413597855>



# BSC PROGRAM WRAP UP

Our BSC program has been full of innovative activities and a whole heap of fun across August. The addition of sports like spike ball, sack races, and velcro-catch have encouraged children to utilise our beautiful outdoor play spaces. Indoors, a mix of animal themed crafts, dramatic play experiences, and strategic board game competitions have engaged a wide range of children in our program.

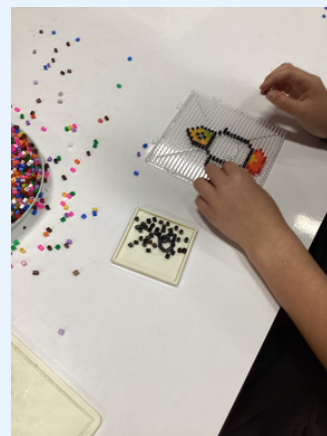
Not to mention our very new and exciting weekly Friday sports contests with prizes to be won! We have had running races, a handball competition and sack races, with more to come. Overall, before school care has been wonderful for children to develop their unique interests and engage in a range of skill building opportunities!



# ASC PROGRAM WRAP UP

Our ASC program is child-centered, focused on implementing a range of ideas developed by children into our programming. To build creativity children have engaged in movie making alongside a range of crafts. Gross-motor skills were built in activities like skateboarding and ribbon dancing. STEM activities, like making elephant toothpaste and DIY tin foil boats have allowed the children to gain a better understanding of the scientific method. Our program was also heavily influenced by the Paris Olympics, with activities like gold medal making and hockey. Overall, our after-school care has reflected the children's interests, ideas, and experiences to best center them at LOOSH!





## AUGUST PROGRAM WRAP UP





# STAFFING UPDATES

Throughout August, a few staffing changes occurred, with several of our long-term staff stepping up to take on new and exciting roles!

Grace, the previous primary room leader, stepped into the role of assistant coordinator for LOOSH. We are so pleased that Grace took on this position, and know she will undertake it with the same passion and care that she upheld as room leader.



Taking on the Juniors room leader role is the fantastic Jack! Jack has been with the Juniors team for two years, and is very excited to support the junior children to reach their full potential.



Taking on the Primary room leader role is the fabulous Marina! Marina has been with the primary team for close to a year, and her strong, compassionate relationships with the primary children will allow her to excel in this position.



We are also excited to welcome Niamh Ryan to the primary team! Niamh has been working as a casual educator at LOOSH for several years, and we couldn't be happier to have her join the core team.



# OUR BEHAVIOUR REWARD SYSTEMS

At LOOSH, we use a range of reward systems across year groups, with many children able to go on extra special excursions by demonstrating positive behaviour. We wanted to explain how each system works and outline which behaviours staff are on the lookout for!

## Primary

In the primary area, the kindy children work together to showcase positive behaviours like good listening and calm sitting. If individual children are particularly safe, respectful or responsible, they earn themselves a star!

Year 1 are split into coloured groups, and each group can earn a star by sitting quietly in their assigned spots during headcount.

## Juniors

In Juniors, Year 2 and 3 compete to fill their year groups' pom pom jar the quickest. Children exhibiting safe, respectful and responsible behaviour are invited to add some pom poms to their year groups jar.

The Juniors have also had a "Positive Word of the Week" implemented into their program. If children demonstrate traits of this word during their day at LOOSH, they can also add a pom pom to the jar.

## Seniors

In Seniors, the children are split into coloured groups according to their year group (4, 5 or 6). During both BSC and ASC, the most safe, respectful and responsible group during transition times receive a coloured token in a jar. The group with the most coloured tokens at the end of the term wins!

In Seniors, being respectful to educators and peers and showing responsibility towards the LOOSH environment consistently are positive behaviours which staff are on the lookout for!

# LOOSH PLANNER SEPTEMBER

	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday
<b>Week 7</b>	2 National Child Protection Week Vacation Care Bookings Open 12pm	3	4	5	6
<b>Week 8</b>	9	10	11	12	13
<b>Week 9</b>	16	17	18 LOOSH Parent Committee Meeting 6:15-8:15pm	19	20
<b>Week 10</b>	23	24		26	27
<b>School Holidays!</b>	30 Start of Vacation Care!	1	2	3	4

**Note: The Leichhardt Public School Fete is on Sunday the 8th of September (Sunday of Week 7). LOOSH is running a beautiful friendship bracelet stand, please come visit us!**

For daily updates and information on our day-to-day programming, please check out KinderLoop.

# SHOWCASED ARTWORK

Many children at LOOSH excel at creating amazing artworks. Through this section of the newsletter, we hope to encourage all children to continue building this passion.



Violet (Kindy) - A lovely paper plate jellyfish



Eliza (Year 6) - A beautiful card with calligraphy



All Primary Children - A fantastic collaborative very hungry caterpillar

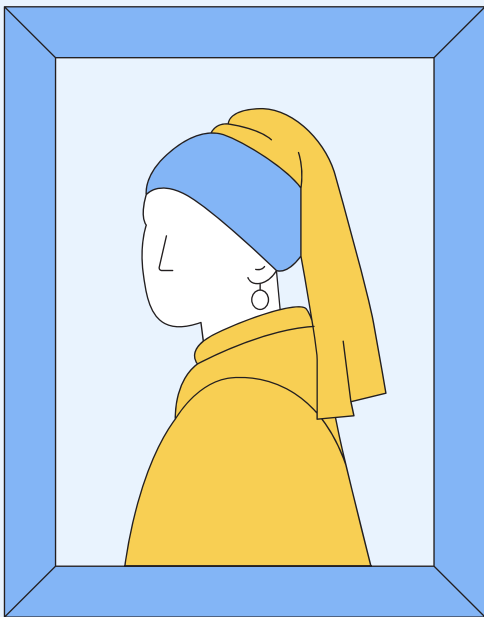
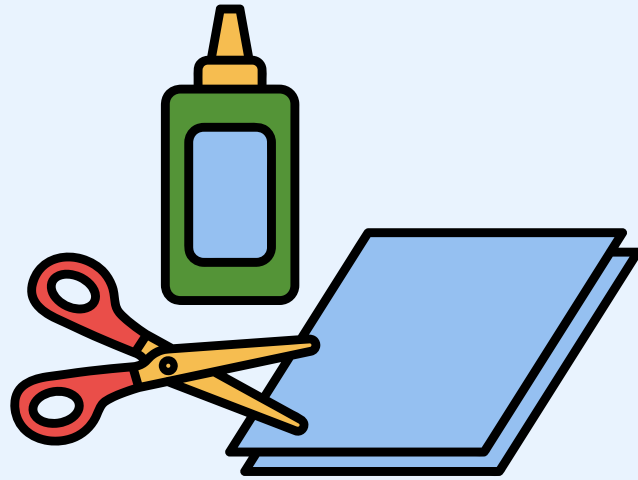


# OTHER REMINDERS

## Programming Ideas

We are always on the lookout for new ideas for our program experiences and crafts! If your child has any fabulous ideas or suggestions, please don't hesitate to pass them on to us! Or if you have any feedback for us, please pass this on too!

Please email [admin@loosh.org.au](mailto:admin@loosh.org.au) with any ideas, or speak to us when you collect your child.



## Artwork Showcase

As part of future newsletters, we want to highlight the artistic and creative talent of our LOOSH students! Each month we will choose 2-3 artworks to include in the newsletter.

If your child produces something incredible that they'd like to enter into our newsletter, please email a copy to [admin@loosh.org.au](mailto:admin@loosh.org.au).

## Family Photos

As part of our program areas, we would love to display some family photos for the children to observe! Thank you to all of the families who have already provided us with photos, they look great!

If you would like to share a family photo with us, please email through to [admin@loosh.org.au](mailto:admin@loosh.org.au).

