Many thanks to all parents/carers, educators and children for making our Summer Vacation Care programme such a great success. As a matter of fact, our educators have voted it one of the best holidays we have ever had!! We thought you may enjoy sharing the highlights in this giant, pictorial journal. We have been most encouraged by the positive feedback that we have received regarding our programme as well as ideas for our Autumn holiday programme.

**‘Annie’**

Once again we went to see The Adelaide Youth Theatre perform, this time a production of the hit musical and movie ‘Annie’. It certainly wasn’t a ‘hard knock life’ for us as we sat and watched some of the top young performers from around South Australia who range in age from five to eighteen.

Unfortunately we don’t have any photos of the colourful characters that graced the stage so you are just going to have to believe us when we tell you that it was a truly amazing show.

Little Orphan Annie, like so many girls her age, dreams of fitting in and finding out where she belongs. The fiery red-head escapes the confines of the orphanage to realise her dream of being reunited with her parents and meets many other fascinating characters along the way such as Oliver Warbucks and Miss Hannigan.

The music, sets and costumes made this an outstanding production...we eagerly look forward to the AYT’s next adventure - ‘Beauty and the Beast’. We were thrilled that our children could experience an affordable live production of such high quality and we all left with very big smiles on our faces.
Laygo must be one of the most popular activities that you will find on the menu during Vacation Care. During our December programme we offered the children the opportunity to paint LEGO figures under the tutelage of the staff from ‘LAYGO’ and in January the children spent a couple of hours in the air-conditioned hall making all sorts of amazing creations. Some worked individually while others enjoyed combining their skills to make a variety of different scenes. There was a vibe of quiet concentration followed by pride in what they had achieved.
We certainly made a splash with our return trip to the North Adelaide Aquatic Centre and as you can see, our underwater camera (and the children) had a good workout! The children are very keen to return during our next holiday break, swimming is always high on their wish list.
The Big Kahuna Water Slide also made a return visit to Mercedes these holidays. The unusually cold weather was not enough to deter the children as they jumped, splashed and slid around all day! We have to compliment all the children on their courageous spirit and sense of adventure!
Crazy Hair Day and Slapstick Photo Booth

The Slapstick Photo Booth was back these holidays and it did not disappoint! Whilst waiting for their photos to be taken, children entertained themselves with the Karaoke machine in the Hall. The staff from Slapstick had lots of props with them – funny glasses, hats, wigs, toys, guitars and microphones! The children loved dressing up having photos taken with their friends. The children spent the morning having their hair coloured and styled by some of our multi-talented Educators. Nothing is ever too much trouble!

Slapstick Photo Booth 0433 054 419
Yoga with Jo

‘Wolf Quest’
A Carnival Knight Production
Laser Skirmish

The children loved the Laser Skirmish because they were able to show off their competitive streaks. With the cool aesthetics of the laser guns and the sounds they made, the children were ready for action. After splitting into teams, children had to work together to capture the flag and score points against each other. The final battle culminated in a Hunger Games style elimination to be the ultimate champion!

Soap Carving
Miscellaneous

Vacation Care Adventures!
Movie Review -

‘Paper Planes’

Kimi was my favourite character because she is talented and she taught Dylan how to make something beautiful. My favourite part of the movie was when Dylan goes to Tokyo and wins the competition because I have been to Tokyo.

Rating: 5 Stars
Sara Tilbrook

My favourite character was Dylan because he was the main character. I enjoyed the whole movie because it was great.

Rating: 4 and a half Stars
Kaye Tilbrook

Kimi was my favourite character because she was herself and she believed that not everything was about winning. My favourite part of the movie was when Dylan’s dad came to Tokyo to see Dylan compete because it showed that he cared about his son.

Rating: 4 and a half Stars
Zoe Searle

I liked Kimi because she was nice and helped the little boy with building different things. My favourite part was the end of the film when Dylan was the winner because it was a happy ending.

Rating: 5 Stars
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