

The Friends School
October Vacation Care Program
Monday 5th October - Friday 16th October



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Construction Building Day



Get ready for a day packed with imagination, building, problem solving and STEM fun. Children will have the opportunity to build, create and experiment using LEGO, architect blocks and a variety of construction materials, explore robotics and coding, while taking on hands-on exciting STEM challenges.

The session will start at 10:30am, at Frank Wells Hall

Tuesday 6th October

Legacy Park, Domain, Excursion

Children will participate in an excursion to Legacy Park, where they will have the opportunity to explore a natural outdoor environment and engage in active play. We will participate in a Scavenger Hunt to find different landmarks at the Park. We will enjoy a BBQ lunch while we are at the Park



We will depart from Frank Wells Hall, catching the bus at 10:30am, returning by 2:00pm

Please note: Today we will be having a picnic lunch

Wednesday 7th October

Cooking Day

Join us for a fun and delicious Cooking Day, where the children can get hand-on in the outdoor kitchen to create tasty treats for our shared afternoon tea.

We will also be participating in some organised games on the bottom green



Session will begin at 10:30am at Frank Wells Hall, before we go down to the Top Green and Outdoor Kitchen

Please note: Today we will be having a picnic lunch

Thursday 8th October

Nature Craft Day



Children will connect with nature through a range of hands-on creative experiences. They can build cubbies using natural materials and practise knot tying, create stick crafts, paint seed pods, experiment with making their own natural paints, and design jewellery using macramé and natural materials. It will be a wonderful day of creativity, exploration, problem-solving and connection with the natural environment.

Session will start at 10:30am, at Frank Wells Hall

Please note: Today we will be having a picnic lunch

Friday 9th October

Toffeemont Alpaca Farm, Excursion



We will enjoy a fun and relaxing farm experience at Toffeemont. Children will split into groups and rotate through different hands-on activities including meeting, feeding and interacting with friendly alpacas. We will learn about life on a working alpaca farm and explore the peaceful surroundings.

We will depart from Frank Wells Hall at 10:30am, returning by 2:00pm

Monday 12th October

Lenah Valley Labyrinth Nature Play Day Excursion



Today the children will explore the **Lenah Valley Labyrinth** and surrounding natural environment through a range of **hands-on nature experiences**. Activities will include creating nature looms, nature journaling, exploring the creek and creating a mud pit, engaging in nature play, and learning to identify local animals and animal scat. A wonderful **opportunity to connect with nature, build curiosity and develop observation, creativity and environmental awareness**.

We will depart from
Frank Wells Hall at 10:30am,
returning by 2:00pm

Please note: Today we will be having a picnic lunch

Tuesday 13th October

Carnival Show Day



Today we will participate in some carnival games, where children will test their carnival skills. Children will be able to decorate their own show bag and choose some treats to put in their bag. Children can make their own entrance ticket before entering the carnival show, where they can watch other children put on some clowning acts. There will be the opportunity for children to make Carnival treats such as fruit skewers and popcorn.

Session will begin at 10:30am at Frank Wells Hall,
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Wednesday 14th October

Kite & Paper Plane Making Walk to Soundy Park to Fly Excursion

Today we'll get creative with kite and paper plane making. Children will have the opportunity to design, decorate and make their own creations before heading outdoors to test them out.



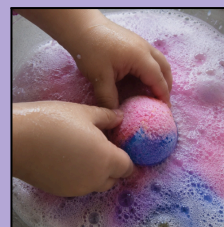
We'll take a walk down to Soundy Park for a picnic, followed by kite and paper plane flying. Children will also have plenty of time to enjoy a fun play in the park with their friends.

Session will begin at 10:30am at Frank Wells Hall, before walking to the park. We will be back at Frank Wells Hall by 2.00pm
Please note: Today we will be having a picnic lunch

Thursday 15th October

Choose Your Chill Day

Today is about relaxing, creating and having fun in your PJ's. Children can choose from whichever activities they like - spa, science, sport, games or creative activities.



Session will begin at 10:30 at Frank Wells Hall
Please note: Today we will be having a picnic lunch

Friday 16th October

Eastside Activity Centre, Excursion day



Children will enjoy an action-packed session at Eastside Activity Centre, exploring the exciting Ninja Course and bouncing their way through the Trampoline Area. This active excursion encourages children to challenge themselves, develop co-ordination and balance, build confidence and enjoy being active with friends.

We will depart from Frank Wells Hall at 10:30am, returning by 2:00pm

Program Notes

Excursions: On excursion days children should arrive no later than 9:00am. Excursions depart promptly and are not delayed to accommodate late children. Unless otherwise stated in the program notes, excursions return by 3:00pm. All scheduled picnics will only proceed if weather permits.

New Regulations: Please note that due to new national regulations around the transportation of children during care you will be required to fill out the [Transport Authorisation Form](#) to enable your child to attend the Excursion. If this form is not completed then we are unable to include your child in this excursion.

Required Items: Children need to bring suitable clothing for the season. For example, a coat and warm hat in winter or a broad-brimmed hat and sunscreen in summer. ***Children should bring morning and afternoon tea, lunch (unless otherwise stated) and a drink.*** Children should wear shoes and socks. We ask parents to clearly label all of their child's possessions. Please apply SPF 50+ sunscreen to your child prior to their arrival.

By using the on-line booking system you are confirming that you:

1. Have read and understand the Conditions of Enrolment specific to the Vacation Care Program of The Friends' School.
2. Will abide by the policies and procedures of The Friends' School.
3. Authorise the child/ren attending the Vacation Care Program to attend the excursions chosen.
4. Give permission for Outside School Hours Care Educators to seek emergency treatment for the child/ren attending the Vacation Care Program should such treatment be deemed necessary.
5. Will pay the full amount of the Vacation Care Program fees by the due date shown on each fortnightly invoice.

Conditions of Enrolment

Accounts: Account invoices are generated fortnightly on a Monday and direct debits are run on the following Wednesday. It is a condition of enrollment that full payment of the account is made by the due date shown on the invoice. Direct debit details must be provided as part of the booking process.

Age Range and Availability: The Friends' School Vacation Care Program provides vacation care for children attending The Friends' School from Kindergarten to Year 6 in 2026.

Booking: Bookings are allocated in the order of receipt. In the event of an over-demand for places, any subsequent vacancies will be allocated in order of earliest receipt. The Friends' School Vacation Care Program can accept up to 75 children per day. Bookings close at **6:00pm Friday 25th September, After this stated date and time no further bookings will be accepted and full fees as shown on our Fee Schedule apply without exception to all cancellations and absences.**

Fees: Please refer to our [2026 Fees Schedule](#) for details concerning Vacation Care Program costs. The Fee Schedules are available on our website.

Fee Assistance: For new enrolments, parents can lodge a claim for Child Care Subsidy through myGov or by calling Centrelink on 136 150, Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 8:00pm. You are also required to have a Complying Written Agreement (enrolment) with the service which includes a Customer Reference Number for each child attending and a Customer Reference Number for the parent claiming the subsidy. It is recommended that you do this prior to the commencement of the program.

Location: Friends' Primary School, Frank Wells Hall, 395 Argyle Street, North Hobart, 7000.

Sign In/Out: Parents, guardians or nominees must sign their children 'in' and 'out' of our program each day using the Xap Manage kiosk. To ensure all legislative reporting requirements are met, we require all parents, guardians or nominees to have the necessary authority to collect or drop off and to use individual kiosk codes (personal mobile phone number and 4 digit pin recorded in Xap Smile). Please note that persons nominated by parents or guardians must be 18 years of age or older. Contact our Administration Team on 6210 2276 if you have any queries or need assistance.

Other Conditions: The remaining conditions of enrolment for The Friends' School Vacation Care Program are the same as those for your full enrolment. To obtain additional copies of our Conditions of Enrolment, please call Friends' Early Learning on 6210 2276 or email feladmin@friends.tas.edu.au. **Conditions of enrolment are applied without exception.**