



## Get to know Connect Learning After School, Perth Waldorf School

Hello Families!

Welcome to Connect Learning After School, Perth Waldorf (School). We are a small service catering to families who attend Perth Waldorf School.

We are a Perth-based company with years of experience in the children's educational and entertainment sector. Our Directors, teamed with their valuable experience in the industry, are also busy mums, and know too well the challenges in sourcing quality services, advice and childcare.

We are a passionate team of professional Educators, who are deeply invested in nurturing the individuality of each and every child in our care. Our team will share strong relationships with all families and we hope to create a positive and inviting centre for all.

### WHAT is Connect Learning about?

Connect Learning After School is a branch of Connect Learning WA and partners with school communities to deliver tailored before and after school care programs focused on bringing out the best in children. We are passionate about children developing an active, healthy lifestyle while having a lot of fun in a safe and familiar setting.

### WHERE does the connecting take place?

Connect Learning runs directly out of your school grounds. Affordable, high quality care is crucial to helping families balance life and work responsibilities. We recognise this and support families through partnerships with schools to deliver before and after school care programs which are accessible and sustainable. Parents enjoy the peace of mind of enrolling their child into a program that is dedicated to every child's safety, happiness and wellbeing without the need for transportation to nearby centers. We are a CCS approved centre for billing purposes.

The selection of dynamic and experienced staff ultimately influences the success of our programs. We are very selective when it comes to employing staff and ensure all have a current Working with Children check, a First Aid Certificate and the required qualifications. Connect focuses on training high quality staff who actively role model positive behaviours and values to the children in their care.

## WHEN?

After School Care is provided to cater for a growing number of working parents requiring care for their child before and after school hours.

We will communicate with all of our parents daily on their individual child's progress and achievements, meaning you will always be completely up-to-date with what is going on both before, during and after school. We embed trust, so that you, as parents, feel comfortable talking to us about any and all issues you may need to discuss.

We will focus heavily on promoting a healthy lifestyle for our children, with highly nutritious snacks delivered daily for them to enjoy and lots of outdoor play. We will make good use of the large open spaces and Nature Play areas.

Children attending before school care receive a nutritious breakfast and are encouraged to participate in our morning exercise activities to 'Kick Start' their day.

After School Care children are provided with a healthy afternoon tea. Children with dietary needs are catered for, in consultation with the child's parents. All of the activities we will undertake in our Centre are based around the children's identified interests and in line with the school's ethos. We will provide options for the children to choose from which may include:

- Sports activities
- Team games
- Movement and Exercise
- Outdoor Play
- Imaginative Play
- Homework Club
- Arts and Crafts

As part of our service, we may also provide incursions including a variety of sports programs and activities such as Martial Arts, Dance, Drama, Arts and Cookery. These are designed to suit a variety of interests and capabilities.

Supervised Homework Time assists working parents by taking the stress out of the 'homework rush', which in return provides parents more quality time with their child at the end of the day and ensures homework is completed effectively.

Celebrating individuality and encouraging a sense of belonging is important to us at Connect. We have a strong focus on really 'knowing' your children well and identifying what they enjoy doing. We do this to ensure your child feels safe and supported when they enter our learning environment.

## Vacation Care

The school holidays can often seem to be never-ending for children and parents alike! Connect ensures that vacation care is fun and exciting with excursions, special events and a full program of activities catering for all ages, to keep the children entertained throughout the holidays. Keeping kids active, happy and developing through school holidays. They do this through the following activities:

Cooking Sessions

Bowling

Park Visits/Nature Play

Candle/Soap Making

Zoo Trips & Excursions

Science Days

Sports Carnivals

Craft Days

Bubble Soccer

## WHAT does our centre do for families?

We will help families settle into their new routine and ensure exceptional care for your children – providing guidance, support and experience for your child in important life skills to help them learn and grow.

We understand how difficult it can be to have your child in OSHC, so we will spend a lot of time and attention in making this a smooth and pleasant experience for both yourself and your child alike. Some of the things we offer are:

- Family Workshops and Seminars on important topics
- Regular and consistent communication

In addition to this, we pride ourselves on getting to know your family. We will build a strong and meaningful relationship that enables us to work with you, in partnership with the school, to provide the best possible care for your little ones.

We as a team are committed to role-modelling positive behaviours and attitudes. We also place great emphasis on the value and uniqueness of every child. We warmly welcome and support all families and children into our service and would love the chance to show your family why we are going to be an amazing service.

The service is only available to children attending the Primary school.

This new service will commence at the start of the school term 4, being the 8th October 2018. Our services to the Waldorf Community will include before and after school care, pupil free days and vacation care.

Our Before School Care Program will run from 6.30am – 8.30am and After School Care Program from 3.00pm – 6.00pm. The service will operate from the Primary School.

**If you are interested in a place for your child/children at Connect Learning, Perth Waldorf School, then please send us an email to [info@connectlearningwa.com.au](mailto:info@connectlearningwa.com.au) When we receive the email, your child will be allotted a space within the service or on our waiting list, from there our coordinator of the service will contact you with the required forms and paperwork required for you to begin care with us. Upon confirmation and completion of these forms, commencement dates will be set.**

Welcome to the Connect Family!

Hope to meet you all soon

Rebecca Watt

Director/Approval Provider