



•Milkwood•
Steiner School

2024 After School Care Handbook



Milkwood Steiner School (Djandjag)

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Overview

Milkwood Steiner School is situated on Larrakia land (Darwin), in the tropical north of Australia delivering a Steiner Curriculum to over 130 students from Kindergarten to Class 8. Our school has unique large tropical style buildings with classrooms that open out on to broad verandas, with a playground that extends to a beautiful native bushland. We are a thriving, growing school, with a welcoming community and children from diverse cultural backgrounds.

Milkwood Steiner School recognises the diverse needs of families in our community, and offers holistic After School Care for up to 24 children aged 5-13 (Waterlily Kindergarten to Class 6). Milkwood Steiner School After School Care Service is located on the school grounds and operates Monday to Friday from 2:30pm to 5:30pm during the school term.



Program

The After School Care program seeks to provide a nurturing environment where children receive the rest, nourishment and engagement they need in their after-school hours. In After School Care, children's social, physical and emotional needs are met through activities including cooking, arts and crafts, gardening and bush play, active and rest times. Spaces exist for homework and music practice (upper classes), quiet play and physical activity. A light afternoon tea is prepared daily. A predictable rhythm, with enough variation and free-play to maintain creativity, is valued in our daily schedule:

2:30	Children are greeted at their classroom door by ASC staff. Walk to the ASC room.
2:35	Indoor time, preparing afternoon tea and greeting friends
3:00	Wash hands, afternoon tea blessing + meal.
3:30	Washing up afternoon tea together. Outdoor play and activity
4:30	Indoor Play and activity
5:00	Quiet free play and pack up.
5:30	Children collected by 5:30.

Activities vary daily. Examples include: Bush crafts, nature mandalas, scavenger hunts, games, box play, sandpit, paper crafts, planes, origami, card making, magic tricks, circus, beeswax, clay, gardening, art, stories, reading, library visit, cubby making and more!

Sample Menu (subject to seasonal changes)

MONDAY	Sandwiches
TUESDAY	Baked Potatoes
WEDNESDAY	Fried Rice
THURSDAY	Spaghetti
FRIDAY	Pizza

After School Care Leader - Tiana Andropov



A warm, creative and very fun educator, Tiana is also a proud Milkwood Steiner School graduate! Tiana holds the role of Milkwood's ASC Leader as she completes her own teaching qualifications. Tiana graduated from Darwin High School in 2021 with awards for Academic Achievement and a finalist in the MAGNT Competition for Visual Arts. Before starting work in Milkwood's ASC program in 2023, Tiana volunteered in organisations for Athletes with Disabilities, Surf Lifesaving patrols, Frilly's Cafe and the Sea Shepherd environment group in East Arnhem Land. Tiana has trekked through the Himalayas and has completed introductory courses in Auslan. She welcomes all children to ASC with a smile and wonderful activities for all ages.

Policies and Code of Conduct

After School Care participants adhere to Milkwood Steiner School Association's policies and code of conduct. The safety and wellbeing of all who attend is paramount. Parents will be contacted to collect children if safety or wellbeing concern arise, if children are unwell or if recommended upon pickup by the class teacher.

Parents and Carers have the right to access the National Law and Regulations relevant to the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority.

National Law: <https://legislation.nt.gov.au/Legislation/EDUCATION-AND-CARE-SERVICES-NATIONAL-UNIFORM-LEGISLATION-ACT-2011>

National Regulations: <https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/view/html/inforce/current/sl-2011-0653>

Fee Schedule

ASC is charged at a daily rate of \$35.00 per child.

Permanent bookings require 1 Term week's notice for cancellation or full fees will be charged. Cancellation of casual bookings will not be refunded.

Payment is made through the HubHello portal.

Milkwood Steiner School's After School Care is registered with the Commonwealth Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and adheres to their guidelines. It is registered with Community Services and users are entitled to Child Care Benefit rebates through the Family Assistance Office (Centrelink). <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/child-care-subsidy>

Booking through HubHello

HubHello is a childcare booking platform which connects families, services and Government for the purpose of administering an ASC service.

New ASC enrolments must submit an Enrolment and Supplementary form to Milkwood's Office. They will then receive their HubHello login information. New enrolment applications can be submitted at any time of the year Permanent or casual bookings can be made using the HubHello portal - <https://hubhello.com>

All booking enquires, contact admin@milkwood,nt.edu.au, 8947 0608