

# **School Holiday Program**

# **Parent Information**

2023



## Hello everyone,

Welcome to Melbourne University Sport's School Holiday Program!

It is not long to go now until our next program kicks off, so if you are returning – it's fantastic to have you back! If this is your first program, then it is great to welcome you on-board.

Our philosophy is to provide an environment for all children to learn, develop their sports skills and, most importantly, have fun in a safe and enjoyable way. We aim to emphasize the impact sport can have in improving social skills, team values and self-esteem in children.

In providing a safe and enjoyable environment while promoting the cultural safety of indigenous children, children from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds and children with a disability; MU Sport comply with all relevant government legislation regarding the safety and education of children and will ensure that our staff reflect this as well as being friendly and welcoming in nature and committed to engaging each and every child.

MU Sport views our sports camps and experiences as a community engagement opportunity. We respect the importance of community and open our programs to children of all abilities and backgrounds.

Our attendees having fun, exploring new avenues to enjoy sports and staying fit and healthy is central to our philosophy.

Please see below for some important contact details if you need to get in touch with us at any point during the program.

Ph: 0466 743 002

Email: sport-camps@unimelb.edu.au

We look forward to seeing you soon.

With Thanks,
The Holiday Program Team

## **Drop-off/Pick-up Procedures**

Children may begin arriving at the program from 8:30am.

Please ensure your children are here by 9.00am.

Whoever drops them off will be required to sign them into the program, with this being a perfect time to hand over any medication and discuss any queries with Staff.

**Lunch** will be held at 1pm for an hour.

Children may be signed out for this break. Please ensure they are back by 2pm so they can head off to their next activity.

Please note we do not provide any food.

Please do not pack any products with nuts.

The daily activities conclude at 3:30pm.

Children must be signed out from the service at this time unless enrolled in aftercare.

For those enrolled into After Care, children may be picked up at any time up until 5:30pm when the service closes.

We require parent/guardian or someone authorized on the booking form to sign the child in/out. This person must be over 18 years old.

For those wishing for a child to be collected by another individual that was **not** originally authorized on the program registration form, notice must be provided in writing.

Please email sport-camps@unimelb.edu.au

# Medical/Legal

If your child is allergic, asthmatic or anaphylactic, please ensure you provide **all relevant documents & medication.** This is a requirement of attending our program and something that we require for legal purposes.

If you did not attach a copy with your registration, please send a valid, up-to-date and colour version to sport-camps@unimelb.edu.au

Any medication needs to be handed to staff at sign in. Please leave in a **clearly named** zip lock bag or similar.

For those with children that have any Court Orders pertaining to them, we require a copy of this order. Please send a copy to <a href="mailto:sport-camps@unimelb.edu.au">sport-camps@unimelb.edu.au</a>

#### Food

#### We do not provide any food as part of the Holiday Program.

Pack at least two snacks, lunch & water for your child. We recommend packing a larger than normal lunch, as due to all the physical activity we do, the children tend to be a little bit hungrier usual!

Do not pack food that contains nuts. It will be thrown out We have many children attending with anaphylaxis.

#### **Sun Smart Procedures/Clothing**

PLEASE make sure your child had sunscreen on in the morning.

T -shirts - cover their shoulders and have a collar.

Wide brimmed hat.

Do not send girls in singlet tops or dresses with straps (unless they also have a t- shirt that covers their shoulders and neck and has a collar).

Whilst we make every effort to provide sunscreen, it is always a good idea to pack a personal supply with your child.

For our full Melbourne University Sport SunSmart Policy, please see our website.

Pack a spare change of clothes (including runners), in the unlikely chance we do get caught in the rain or the surface we play on is wet.

Shoes with studs or spikes are not acceptable.

#### **Personal Belongings**

We encourage children to bring their own book to read during breaks.

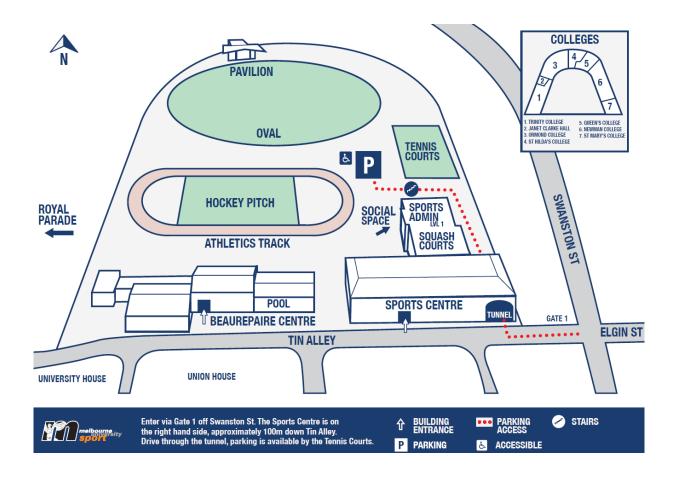
Please ensure children **do not bring** personal belongings of value (e.g. technology/media, swap cards, dolls, fidget spinners etc.). We would like to avoid any loss, damage and sharing incidents with other children.

#### **After Care**

For those that will be taking advantage of After Care Program between 3.30pm to 5.30pm, various activities will be on hand for the children such as board games, puzzles, coloring books and more. We do often play a film as some children are fairly tired and appreciate the rest at this time of the day.

#### Map

Please see below for a map regarding the location of our Sports Camps. We are based in the Social Space.



# **Melbourne University Sport Policies**

For the full range of Melbourne University Sport's policies, terms and conditions and other key resources, please see our website.

http://sport.unimelb.edu.au/sportcamps