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Indooroopilly After School Care Association

Dear Parents and Carers,

23rd November, 2017

Unprecedented Enrolments

Term Four is rapidly coming to an end for all of us and the New Year is fast approaching. We have been delighted by the response from our school families requesting placement for 2018 in Before School Care and After School Care. We have received an unprecedented number of 2018 enrolments.

Licence Limits

Indooroopilly After School Care has strict licensing limits set by Education Queensland for the maximum number of children (**200**) who may be accommodated by the service at any one time, based on designated physical indoor and outdoor spaces within the school. It is not currently possible for the service to cater for all the children who are seeking after school care placement, due to these licensing and space limitations.

Service Fully Booked

We wish to advise that the number of 2018 enrolment applications received to date means that the **service is fully booked** for After School Care for 2018, with waiting lists for each of our Junior, Middle and Senior groups for each weekday afternoon. All families **who have not already been advised of a place** for 2018 BSC/ASC have been placed on our permanent waiting list. The children are placed in order of their priority on the enrolment form and are dated and timed in accordance to the day and time they were received.

We wish to apologise in advance to all of our parents and caregivers who are not able to secure a place with us at this time.

Waiting List

Please understand that the IASCA service is working very hard to mitigate this situation. We will be continuously reviewing waiting lists and contacting families in the event of cancelled placements, as they become available. **If you need to contact us regarding this letter or your placement, our preferred form of communication is via our email address: admin@iasca.org.au.** This method is preferred as we are still completing the permanent waiting list and the vacation care enrolments for Christmas and New Year.

What You Can Do To Help Our Families

We believe it is important to let all parents and carers know of this current development in bookings for 2018 and the existing waiting list for places every afternoon, and to encourage you to **carefully consider your children's bookings and to contact the office should your children not require all booked afternoons of care, or in the event of illness, or a reduction in booked days, as many families are desperately seeking assistance for care through the service.**

Thank You For Your Support

We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may cause for our Indooroopilly State School families and caregivers. We completely understand that the needs and circumstances of all our families/caregivers mean that this is not an ideal situation, with our families/caregivers needing placement due to work, study or training commitments. We understand this may cause distress and uncertainty as you try to arrange care for your child/ren.

Indooroopilly After School Care, together with the Management Committee, will seek to work together with the P & C Association and Indooroopilly State School to continue to explore available options and resources for our families/caregivers. We will provide you with any updating information that may become available in the New Year.

We offer you our heartfelt thanks for your support throughout 2017 and for your renewed commitment to our service in 2018. We will continue to do everything possible to seek to accommodate as many children and families as possible in the year ahead. We look forward to providing your children with the highest quality care in a stimulating, safe and nurturing environment and continuing to build strong relationships with your children, all parents and caregivers and the broader school community.

Kind regards,

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Coordinator