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Thursday, 8 August 2019

Dear .....,

**Proposed Changes to the City of Melton Occasional Care Program**

As a result of Commonwealth Government changes to the Occasional Care funding arrangements, the City of Melton is proposing to transition the Occasional Care program over to the Child Care Subsidy Scheme in 2020.

The Child Care Subsidy has replaced the Child Care Benefit and Rebate scheme and is the main way the Government assists families with their child care fees. More information relating to the Child Care Subsidy Scheme can be found here <https://www.education.gov.au/child-care-subsidy-0>

The Occasional Care service will continue to provide the highest quality care and education services to our community, but there are proposed changes to the administration and fee structure of the service. It is also proposed that the Creekside and Parkwood Green programs be consolidated into new programs based at Springside.

Many families already access the Child Care Subsidy Scheme for Long Day Care, Vacation Care, Family Day Care or other services through their existing MyGov account, but if you don't already have access to the system, the Occasional Care team will be pleased to provide you with information and advice.

If you have any questions or seek any further information, please feel free to access any of the following options:

- You can talk to the Program Leader (Kim Lamont, Michelle Willmott or Vivienne Balestra) at the Occasional Care service next time you are there
- You can call the Children's Services Program Team Leader on 9747 7224
- You can email us on [OccasionalCareForum@melton.vic.gov.au](mailto:OccasionalCareForum@melton.vic.gov.au)
- You are invited to attend one of the information sessions for Child Care Subsidy. Please note that bookings are essential. Your children are welcome to attend the information session under your supervision. (Please refer attached flyer for dates and locations)

I would like to conclude by expressing our thanks for your continued support for the City of Melton Occasional Care program, and we look forward to working together with you into the new phase in the program into the future.

Sincerely

**Brendan Ball**

Manager Families and Children

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where everyone belongs

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# Occasional Care Forum Child Care Subsidy



## Greetings Occasional Care Families!

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### What is the Child Care Subsidy Scheme?

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### MELTON SESSION

**WHEN:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2019

**WHERE:** Melton Library and Learning Hub – Balam Balam Seminar Room  
31 McKenzie Street, Melton

**TIME:** 6.30pm – 7.30pm

**COST:** Free

**BOOKINGS:**  
<https://occasionalcareforum-melton.eventbrite.com.au>

### CAROLINE SPRINGS SESSION

**WHEN:** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019

**WHERE:** Caroline Springs Library and Learning Hub – Meeting Rooms 1 & 2  
193 – 201 Caroline Springs Blvd, Caroline Springs

**TIME:** 6.30pm – 7.30pm

**COST:** Free

**BOOKINGS:**  
<https://occasionalcareforum-carolinesprings.eventbrite.com.au>

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