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**ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT NO: EA97/193** 

TITLE: Hills Before & After School Care Pty Ltd Enterprise Agreement 1997

I.R.C. NO: 97/5043

DATE APPROVED/COMMENCEMENT: 29 October 1997 and commenced 22 August 1997

TERM: 12 months

**NEW AGREEMENT OR** 

VARIATION: New. Replaces EA 425/95

**GAZETTAL REFERENCE:** 

DATE TERMINATED:

NUMBER OF PAGES: 13

#### **COVERAGE/DESCRIPTION OF**

EMPLOYEES: To apply to Child Care Workers at Baulkham Hills North Public School, Baulkham Hills; Jasper Road Public School, Baulkham Hills; Crestwood Public School, Baulkham Hills; Excelsior Public School, Castle Hill; Our Lady of Lourdes, Baulkham Hills; Winston Heights Public School, Winston Hills; Oakhill Public School, Castle Hill; Kings Langley Public School, Kings Langley; Toongabbie West Public School, Toongabbie; West Pennant Hills Public School, West Pennant Hills; St. Anthony's School, Marsfield & St. Kevin's School, Eastwood

PARTIES: Hills Before and After School Care Pty Limited -&- Carol Adams, Danielle Anderson, Jill Antill-Rose, Josephine Azzopardi, Kelly Baker, Kellie Bennett, Amanda Boon, Robin Brown, Jennifer Bruce, Julie Burge, Anne Casha, Rhona Clarke, Lynne Commons, Patricia Crockett, Irene Davidson, Dawn Dias, Audrey Dunsford, Penny Godfrey, Judith Huckstepp, Gladys Latham, Kate Latham, Rosanne Latham, Jane Lee, Ashley Lewis, Dianne Madden, Ann Matthews, Colleen Morrow, Margaret O'Connor, Beverley Pola, Natalie Pola, Adrienne Powell, Rita Scala, Diane Stack, Annette Stannard, Amanda Tuckerman, Jennifer Tuckerman, Jan Williamson, Oriana Woomack, Adele Wyson, Goksal Yusuf

### INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION OF NEW SOUTH WALES

**Industrial Relations Act 1991** 

S. 126 - Application for Registration of an Agreement

(Application No.

of 1997)

Between

Hills Before & After School Care Pty Ltd

Registered Enterprise Agreement Industrial Registrar

and

The Employees as Scheduled

## HILLS BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE PTY LTD ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT 1997

**Child Care Workers** 

**Pre-School Child Care Industry** 

#### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

#### **PREAMBLE**

The following terms have been agreed between the parties for terms and conditions of employment for casual employees engaged in or in connection with the carrying on of a before and after school and vacation child care.

#### 1. TITLE

This Agreement shall be referred to as the Hills Before & After School Care Pty Ltd Enterprise Agreement 1997.

#### 2. APPLICATION

This Agreement shall be binding on the employees as set out in Schedule A hereof (hereinafter referred to as "the Employees"), and on Hills Before & After School Care Pty Ltd (hereinafter referred to as the "Employer") at the sites as listed in Schedule B hereof.

#### 3. GENERAL CONDITIONS

The provisions of the Miscellaneous Workers Kindergartens and Child Care Centres (State) Award (New South Wales) (hereinafter called "the Award") shall apply to the Employer and the employees of the Employer except where such provisions are varied by the provisions of this Agreement.

### 4. INTENT OF PARTIES

This Agreement has been developed through a process of consultation and negotiation between the Employees and the Employer reflecting a recognition by the Employees of the needs of the Employer and a commitment by both parties to establish an efficient, productive and effective operation. It is the intention of the parties to provide and maintain a framework which will ensure that the spirit and substance of the Agreement endures to the benefit of all those affected by it.

To this end, the Employees and the Employer are dedicated to:

- 4.1 Establishing terms and conditions of employment based on the specific needs of the business;
- 4.2 Ensuring that the Employer's facilities operate in a manner which will enhance and optimise costeffective excellence and performance, with changes in technology and work procedures and practices contributing to and maintaining this position;
- 4.3 Seeking continuous review and improvement in agreed measures of safety, work place and performance quality and work environment, together with employees willing assembly responsibility for outcomes in these respects;
- 4.4 Ensuring that work can be undertaken in a fully flexible manner without demandations on performance, subject only to the restrictions imposed by individual skill and knowledge levels;
- 4.5 Establishing and maintaining open and direct communication with all employees on matters of mutual interest and/or concern;
- 4.6 Avoiding any action which disrupts or dislocates continuity of work and customer service through a commitment to a process which seeks to deal with and resolve employee concerns, of whatever type or nature, speedily and effectively through prompt, full and open communication and an agreed process of consultation and negotiation, initially less formally at the site level but, if not thereby resolved, through a formal dispute resolution procedure;
- 4.7 Establishing, supporting and maintaining standards of work performance, conduct and attendance which will maximise a safe, productive and efficient operation;
- Further, to promoting self esteem and group morale necessary to achieving a workplace where the employees accept responsibility for their individual performance and quality of output, as well as that of the work section or enterprise as a whole. In this regard, particularly to promoting the philosophy of self-managing work teams, along guidelines established by Australian Best Practice initiatives:
- 4.9 Ensuring that employees receive a proper level of reward measured against their work performance, with opportunities for career advancement through both lateral promotional progression, together with job security and maximised quality of working life. In this regard, to establishing processes for training employees to improve skills and knowledge.
- 4.10 Establish a training program that will enhance the performance quality of all employees and provide the necessary skills for advancement through the classification structures.
- 4.11 It is the further intention of the parties that this Agreement be certified/ratified by the Industrial Registrar.

#### 5. CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

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#### 5.1 Probation Period

Initial employment shall be for a fixed period of one (1) month, during which time the Employer will assess the Employees' suitability for employment. The Employer may confirm the employment provided hereunder at the end of the one (1) month probationary period, in which event service during the probationary period shall be deemed to have been service under the said employment provided hereunder.

5.2 Contract Period

The contract of employment shall expire on the closure of the Centre at the end of the period for which the Centre has contracted under a Head Contract for the provision of services (normally the end of the formal school year).

## 5.3 Subsequent Contracts

Employment during the second or subsequent years shall be determined by the need for staff in relation to an on-going contract for the provision of day care services, and subject to the need for staff in relation to that contract. Subject to the satisfactory performance of an employee during the previous contract period, the Employer will offer a further contract of employment for second and subsequent years, subject to requirements.

## 6. MINIMUM PERIOD OF ENGAGEMENT

- (i) All employees shall be engaged and paid for a minimum of two hours on any one day.
- (ii) All employees covered by this agreement shall be engaged and paid at a rate of pay provided for casual employees under the rates of pay set out in Clause 10 hereof.
- (iii) Such employees shall not be limited to an engagement period of 20 days or less with respect to work undertaken under the terms of this Agreement.
- (iv) Employees may be required to work the hours of work prescribed herein under a split shift arrangement without payment of penalty.
- (v) Provided that an employee engaged to work for three hours on after-school care shall be paid for a minimum of three hours irrespective of whether or not less than three hours are actually worked.

## 7. HOURS OF WORK

The span of hours provided under the Award shall not apply. Instead the hours of work shall be subject to the requirements of the Employer to provide service under the head contract. Wherever possible, the hours of work shall be provided which best suits the needs of the Employee in the context of the requirements by the Centre. This may mean that hours of work vary from week to week, subject to the demand for the Centre and subject to the particular Employee demonstrating ability to perform the work required. In the event that this means that no work is available in any one week, this will not limit the employee's entitlement to be offered further shifts under this contract for the term hereof, unless termination takes place for any proper reason. Otherwise employees shall not be required to work in excess of 40 hours per week, averaged over a 52 week period.

## 8. LOCATION OF WORK

Notwithstanding anything else contained herein Employees may be required to undertake work at more than one work site to meet the overall requirements under heads of contracts held by the Employer. So far as is possible, any variation to the work place of a particular employee will be notified in advance, and shall be arranged so far as is possible to meet the needs of the employee concerned.

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## 9. REQUIREMENT TO ADVISE UNAVAILABILITY

In the event that an employee is unable to attend to work as rostered, it is a condition of employment that they give as much notice as is reasonably practicable to the person nominated for such purpose so that a replacement can be arranged. Registered Enterprise Agreement

#### 10. WAGE RATES

Employees shall be classified as casual employees under the following classifications relevant to the

	Enterprise and shall be paid at the following rates of pay for such classification:	relevant to the
Child Care Worker Grade		Rate Per Hour
C -	An unqualified employee who (without any prior experience in early childhood or child care service) is required to develop and/or maintain a developmentally or educationally based curriculum programme, and/or who may be in charge and/or responsible for the supervision of a group of children.	14.19
В -	An unqualified employee who (after one year's employment in early childhood or child care service) is required to develop and/or maintain a developmentally or educationally based curriculum programme, and/or who may be in charge and/or responsible for the supervision of a group of children.	14.96
A -	An unqualified employee who (after two year's employment in early childhood or child care service) is required to develop and/or maintain a developmentally or educationally based curriculum programme, and/or who may be in charge and/or responsible for the supervision of a group of children.	15.14
F-	An unqualified employee who (without any prior experience in early childhood or child care service) assists in general child care duties under the direction and supervision of a Child Care Worker Grade A, B or C.	13.35
E -	An unqualified employee who (after one year's employment in early childhood or child care service) assists in general child care duties under the direction and supervision of a Child Care Worker Grade A, B or C.	13.50
D -	An unqualified employee who (after two year's employment in early childhood or child care service) assists in general child care duties under the direction and supervision of a Child Care Worker Grade A, B or C.	13.66
G -	An unqualified employee who (after three year's employment in early childhood or child care service) assists in general child care duties under the direction and supervision of a Child Care Worker Grade A, B or C.	13.81

The rates of pay provided in this scale are provided on the basis that the employee has offered for work on the days on which work is available and provides for work to be performed on an average of 41 weeks per annum, subject to the availability of the employee and the needs of the individual establishment at which work is undertaken These rates are inclusive of an annual leave component.

#### EMPLOYEE IN CHARGE ALLOWANCE 10A.

In addition to the rates of pay provided hereabove, employees who perform work in charge of Centres shall be classified as "person in charge" and shall receive, in addition to the ordinary rate of pay prescribed in the above schedule, an allowance of \$2.00 for each day on which they undertake such work.

#### 11. PROVISION FOR VACATION CARE

- 11.1 Two weeks prior to the commencement of school vacation periods the employer shall advise Centres at which vacation care services will be provided.
- At such time, employees who so wish may advise the employer of their availability to undertake such work, including any limitations or restrictions to such availability.
- 11.3 As soon as precise requirements are known, the employer shall prepare a roster providing as equitably as possible, but nevertheless subject to operational requirements of the employer and the skills provided by respective employees, for the available employees to be provided with work over the vacation period.
- Should be number of employees available for work exceed positions available, the employer will seek to arrange with such employees for the employees to be available for casual or replacement work which may become available over the period.
- In any event, employees who do not receive rostered work during one vacation period shall be given preference at the next vacation period, subject to the operational requirements of the employer and the skills provided by the employees.
- 11.6 Irrespective of the rate of pay of employees undertaking the usual work provided in this Agreement, the rate of pay for employees performing vacation care work shall reflect the nature of the work undertaken during the said vacation period as set out in Clause 10 hereof.

## 12. TRAINING AND DEMONSTRATION OF ABILITY TO PERFORM WORK

Where an employee is deemed by the Employer to be deficient in work standard, the Employer (at its discretion) may offer the employee training in relation to the job tasks, which may be of up to two (2) days duration in all. Upon the completion of such training, the employee will be guaranteed work of at least five (5) days duration for each day of training undertaken. However, should any employee continue to display unsatisfactory performance, the Employer may take action to terminate the employee without further warning or commitment to further training.

## 13. SUPERANNUATION

The Employer will subscribe to an approved fund or funds, by way of the superannuation contribution prescribed under the Superannuation Guarantee Charges Act 1992 an amount which is consistent with the benefit paid to existing employees as at the date of execution hereof with respect to such employees, or at an amount which does not exceed the required minimum superannuation contribution prescribed under the said Act from time to time, whichever amount shall be the greater, PROVIDED THAT the Employer shall not be obliged to make superannuation contributions to more than one fund which together exceed 12%.

### 14. DISPUTE SETTLING PROCEDURES

- 14.1 In order to promote speedy, effective and informal resolution of problems it is agreed that the employee with a grievance will first discuss the matter with the immediate supervisor and every effort should be made to resolve it at this early stage. The immediate supervisor will respond to the employee's grievance as soon as possible, and unless there are exceptional circumstances, within 24 hours.
- 14.2 It is recognised that not all problems will be resolved in this manner. Therefore the following formal procedure for the resolution of problems is agreed.

Stage 1: If the issue is not resolved informally between the employee and the immediate supervisor, the employee may then seek advice from an their nominated representative and together they may approach the immediate supervisor.

Stage 2: If the issue is not resolved at Stage 1, the employee and their representative will confer with the immediate supervisor and site management.

Stage 3: If the matter remains unresolved the employee and their representative may request the matter be referred to an independent mediator for resolution.

The parties will request the mediator to determine positively in favour of either the Employer or the grievant after taking into account any common ground achieved between the parties.

Stage 4: The Employer and the Employees are totally committed to resolving grievances within the above stages. However, if the matter cannot be settled by the parties they will agree to maintain the status quo and refer the matter to the New South Wales Industrial Relations Commission for decision which will be binding on and accepted by all parties.

In making the above commitments the parties recognise that in exercising the Employer's right to manage and to decide finally on the operation of the business, it must take due account of the undertaking of the Employees to continue normal work while the matter in dispute is being resolved through the agreed procedures. The Employer recognises and accepts that there will be circumstances when the implementation of a contested management decision may be delayed, pending the finalisation of the matter under the agreed procedures. The Employees recognise and accept that in some cases, dismissal for gross misconduct for example, implementation of the decision may occur prior to the commencement or finalisation of the agreed procedures. In these circumstances the dispute resolution procedure allows management's action to be reviewed promptly by the parties and, ultimately if necessary, by the New South Wales Industrial Relations Commission, whose decision will be accepted by all.

### 15. NO EXTRA CLAIMS

It is a term of this Agreement that the Employees will not pursue during the currency of this Agreement, any extra claims, award or overaward, except where consistent with the principles determined by the New South Wales Industrial Relations Commission.

#### 16. DECLARATION

- This Agreement has been negotiated through extensive consultation between the Company representatives and the Employee representatives on behalf of all employees. The content of the Agreement has been canvassed between the parties and the employees concerned, or potentially concerned. All parties entering into this Agreement, or affected by its coverage, have done so with full knowledge as to its content, the effect of implementation of its provisions and the effect of certification hereof.
- 16.2 The parties declare that this Agreement:
  - (i) Is not contrary to public interest;
  - (ii) Is not unfair, harsh or unconscionable to any relevant person, or potential relevant person;

(iii) Was at no stage entered into under duress; and

(iv) Reflects the interests and desires of the parties and the persons covered by the Agreement.

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## 17. MONITORING COMMITTEE

A Monitoring Committee which shall include nominated employees together with representatives of the employer, shall be formed to:

- (i) Ensure the correct application of this Agreement, particularly in the light of the provisions of the Miscellaneous Workers Kindergartens and Child Care Centres (State) Award.
- (ii) Further measures to be considered for implementation consistent with the commitment of the parties to bring about further structural efficiency, or with a view to modernising this Agreement.

In the event that a difficulty or disagreement arises over any matter being considered by the Committee, it may be referred and dealt with as a dispute pursuant to the procedures set down herein. For purposes of advancing the interests of the parties, any issue of relevance to the operations of the Employer, or of the employees, may be considered by the Committee, with no reasonable limit placed on the agenda for such consideration.

## 18. OPERATIVE DATE

This Agreement shall commence on the	22nd	day of	August	1997
and shall continue in force for a period of 12 mon	ths.	•	0	177/

The parties have signed hereto on the JJ day of ayw 1997

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For and on behalf of Hills

Before & After School Care

Pty Ltd by authority of the Board

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Witness:

By the employees employed at the sites of Hills Before & After School Care Pty Ltd whose employment is covered by this Agreement as scheduled hereto:

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(name)

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# SCHEDULE "A", BEING THE EMPLOYEES REFERRED TO IN CLAUSE 2, MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN HILLS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PTY LTD AND

**EMPLOYEES DATED 22 AUGUST 1997** 

NAME
Colleen Morrow Danielle Anderson Tene Davidson Anne Casha Diane Stack Audrey Dunsford Annette Stannard Tulie Burge Tulie Burge Tulie Huckstepp Tuliamson The Casha Tuliamson The Tuliams

## LIST OF EMPLOYEES WHO WILL BE COVERED BY AGREEMENT BUT WHO HAVE NOT ATTESTED THERETO FOR THE REASONS STATED ven Hills NSW 2147 (overseas for 8 weeks)

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## SCHEDULE "B" BEING THE SITES REFERRED TO IN CLAUSE 2, MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN HILLS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PTY LTD AND EMPLOYEES

DATED 22 AUGUST 1997

- Baulkham Hills North Public School Girralong Avenue BAULKHAM HILLS NSW 2153
- Jasper Road Public School
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   BAULKHAM HILLS NSW 2153
- Crestwood Public School Peel Road BAULKHAM HILLS NSW 2153
- Excelsior Public School Pondelay Drive CASTLE HILL NSW 2154
- Our Lady of Lourdes
   Oakland Avenue
   BAULKHAM HILLS NSW 2153
- Winston Heights Public School Buckleys Road WINSTON HILLS NSW 2153
- 7. Oakhill Public School
  Oakhill Drive
  CASTLE HILL NSW 2154
- Kings Langley Public School Isaac Smith Parade
   KINGS LANGLEY NSW 2147
- Toongabbie West Public School Balandella Avenue TOONGABBIE NSW 2146
- 10. West Pennant Hills Public School Church Street WEST PENNANT HILLS NSW 2120
- 11. St Anthony's School Agincourt Road MARSFIELD NSW 2122
- 12. St Kevin's School
  Hillview Avenue
  EASTWOOD NSW 2122