

Media release



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Goodstart update Operation Moonbi

Our thoughts are with families across Australia as they learned the news about the horrific allegations against Hamish Tait.

We want to take a moment to assure our families that Goodstart has never employed Hamish Tait in any of our centres, as a full-time, part-time, or casual employee. He has never run an excursion or incursion for a Goodstart centre, nor ever had any contact with Goodstart children.

This morning the AFP has updated the information it is providing to worried families regarding the alleged Sydney paedophile – it has now made it clear that some of the early learning centres on the list it has published were there simply because Hamish Tait trained some staff after hours.

Goodstart's now closed Woodcroft was one of those centres – he attended the centre once in 2019 after hours to provide an information session to staff. No children were present. This update by the AFP is very welcome as it provides comfort to families who may have been worried. You can read the updated information here: [Operation Moonbi | Australian Federal Police](#)

Goodstart embeds child safety into everything from how we create our learning environments to how we recruit, professionally develop and supervise our people – we go beyond compliance, but we know we must remain vigilant and continue to look for areas of improvement.

Keeping children safe requires a strong child safe culture and that means investing in professional development for all educators and teachers. It means having educator eyes on every child in every centre every day.



For more information

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Notes for editors: Goodstart Early Learning is Australia's largest not for profit early learning provider with 654 centres nationwide committed to improving the lives of Australia's children and their families. Website: goodstart.org.au.

Acknowledgement of country: Goodstart acknowledges all Traditional Custodians and recognises First Nations peoples continued cultural and spiritual connection to the land, sky and waterways. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.