



Kindergarten Information

Our 3 and 4 year old Kindergarten programs aim to develop independence, build social skills and resilience, and grow an enquiring mind. Of course, as part of these programs, the children will also continually be learning more academic and physical skills (eg numeracy and literacy skills, including a phonics program for our 4 year olds, gross motor skills (eg climbing, balancing, jumping), and fine motor skills such as drawing/writing, threading and cutting). They all include group times as well as times of choosing from intentional play activities, planned by the teachers for their educational outcomes. They are all delivered by qualified Early Childhood Teachers and run as funded sessional kindergarten programs, with the option to incorporate longer hours of care if the Long Day Kindergarten is selected.

It is important to emphasise that the quality of education and the outcomes for both streams are identical. As each is delivered by a different teacher with a different group of children, there will be some differences in program delivery, but they operate under the same Early Years Learning Frameworks, the same Law and Regulations, and with the same commitment to quality education. Our view is that a child should not receive an inferior education simply because his or her parents need longer hours of care than that offered in a short day program.

All Short Day Kindergarten placements will be within a hybrid Long Day Kindergarten room. Specific days may be requested for either program at the time of booking and day changes and additional casual days are subject to availability. Because of this the children attending will vary from day to day with a maximum of 22 each day.

Child Care Subsidy and "Free Kinder" applies to all Kindergarten Programs. Please see the Fee Schedule for all costs.

Short Day 3yo & 4yo Kindergarten Programs

- Runs 8:30am – 2:00pm
- 3yo choice of attending 1, 2 or 3 days per week
- 4yo attends 3 days per week
- Additional days may be available, subject to vacancies
- Children attend during school term only
- Discount applies if CCS is not claimed and the full year fees are paid in advance.

Long Day 3yo & 4yo Kindergarten programs

- Rooms operate from 6:30am – 6:30pm
- Drop off and pick up times are flexible to work with family needs
- Kindergarten programs runs 8:30am – 2:00pm, care extended around these times
- Children remain in the same room all day
- 3yo has a minimum of 1 day per week and maximum of 5
- 4yo has a minimum of 3 days per week and maximum of 5
- Children attend all year round with no term breaks

Please Note: Actual days and programs offered each year depend on demand and availability of places. Our team will contact those on the waiting list before offering places, to outline possible available options that may suit your family.

As all of our 3yo and 4yo places are in a Kindergarten program, children attending Kindergarten elsewhere will need to wait until Kindergarten places have been offered before we are able to offer Long Day Care only places.