

Our Pre-School

Hunters Hill Preschool is a community-based, non-profit preschool operated by a parent management committee. The preschool is licensed and regulated by Community Services (formerly DoCS). Our preschool enjoys a reputation for high quality early childhood education. All of our teachers are fully qualified and have extensive experience within the early childhood field.

We are licensed to cater for 3-5 year old children. We have three classrooms catering for 58 children per day.

What happens at Preschool

Preschool provides children with the opportunity to interact with others, develop relationships with peers and adults, learn how to be part of a group, explore safely, and develop in all of their key learning areas in an active, play-based learning environment.

The program at our preschool is based on educational theory, philosophy and current research. It is developed from close observation of the children, in response to their individual needs and interests. Children are encouraged to actively engage with the environment and teaching staff use opportunities to foster the children's creativity, encourage them to explore new material and to find answers to questions. The ultimate aim is to teach children how to learn and to foster a love of learning.

The day is structured so it provides a balance of:

Indoor Experiences: puzzles, books, block play, painting and art based work, clay and dough, maths games, language activities, cooking, interest centres

Outdoor Experiences: sandpit, water play, gardening, dramatic play and dress-ups, physical activities (climbing, running, trampoline, ball games...etc)

Group Times: music, dance, literature, drama, discussions, experiments, group games

General Information

Hours 9.00am-3.00pm

Programs 3 Day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
2 Day Thursday and Friday

Holidays All school holidays and public holidays as per NSW Education Department.

Fees The parent management committee sets fees annually. They are paid in advance for each term. The daily fee for 2010 is approx. \$ 38.50 per day.

Waiting List

Children can be placed on the waiting list on or after their second birthday.

If your child has had, or has a sibling attend Hunters Hill Preschool you may place your child on the waiting list 2 (two) calendar months prior to their second birthday.

To enter your child's name on the waiting list you will need to:

- complete an application form
- pay a \$30.00 fee (non-refundable)
- provide proof of your child's age and place of birth.

Acceptable proof is a copy of their birth certificate, passport or Australian Citizenship.

Applications will not be processed without the fee, proof of age and place of birth.

Your application can be posted to the preschool to the address on this form. If you would like to bring your application form into the centre please phone the centre first to arrange a convenient time.

Once your child's name has been entered on the waiting list, it is your responsibility to keep the director advised of any change of address, telephone number or temporary absence to avoid missing out on an offer of enrolment.

If you wish to remove your child's name from the waiting list, please inform the preschool.

As preschool positions are sometimes limited, we recommend that you place your child's name on waiting lists at other centre's.

Enrolment

Offers of enrolment are made during the third term in each year for commencement at pre-school at the beginning of the following year. If vacancies occur during the year the position is offered to the next child on the waiting list. Preschool positions are allocated in strict accordance with the waiting list however; priority is given to children who are eligible to attend school the following year.

Preschool placements will not be given to children who attend another Local Government Area Preschool. This is to allow the maximum number of children to attend a preschool in the community.

We look forward to seeing you and your child at the preschool.