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SESSION TIMES: Occasional Care :

1-2 years

Monday Morning
(10 over 2's pm per session)

2-4 years

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8.45am-11.45am
And 11:45am to 2:45pm
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 11.45am-2.45pm
Also only 4 children 1-2 years

PLEASE BRING WITH YOU:

- A clearly named hat to every session (Broad-brimmed, Bucket or Legionnaire)
- A piece of fruit for snack
- A named bottle containing WATER only
- A named bag-change of clothes, underwear/ nappies as required.
- Please apply sunscreen before attending.

Please label all belongings with your child's name clearly marked on it. If concerned about privacy please mark your child's name on the inside of such belongings. Please keep toys and other valuables at home due to the high risk of such treasures being lost, broken or permanently "borrowed".

HEALTHY EATING:

Due to the kindergartens practice of encouraging healthy eating please refrain from sending with your child chocolate bars, lollies and sugary

and the appropriate treatment. Equally important is informing staff if your child has or should develop any **ALLERGIES / MEDICAL CONDITIONS:**

It is vital that staff are notified of any child's allergies

form of medical condition whilst enrolled In Occasional Care. Due to health and safety reasons we are a **NUT FREE / AWARE ZONE. This policy is reviewed annually. All staff are trained in first aid, anaphylaxis and asthma.**

ATTENDANCE:

Continuity is important. It is beneficial for your child's social, emotional development and establishes a good routine in readiness for preschool. Please notify the kindergarten if your child is unable to attend due to sickness, holidays etc.

WHAT TO DO ON ARRIVAL:

- On arrival, sign your child in, inform us of any messages and who will be collecting your child (if other than yourself)
- Pay your fees and rebook for your next session.
- Hang your child's bag on a hook outside.
- Place snack into esky.

Take a little time to settle your child if necessary and let a staff member know when you are leaving. confectionaries as a substitute for fruit/snack time. We supply water for drinking throughout the day.

Please Note: WE ARE A NUT FREE/AWARE ZONE.



CLOTHING:

For safety reasons please avoid bringing your children to kindergarten wearing thongs.

Please dress your child in clothes that neither you nor your child minds if paint or mud should get onto them.

As we encourage independence when going to the toilet please avoid the use of hard to undo belts.

FEES:

Full Fees \$5.00 per session

Concession Fees \$1.50 per session

2nd or subsequent children are half price. A current health care or concession card **MUST** be viewed by a staff member.

SIDS FOR KIDS/SAFE SLEEPING:

A portable cot that meets Australian Safety Standards is available at our centre for children in our under 2 session. We follow SIDS Safe Sleeping Practices and have safe sleeping posters displayed.

Program:

The aim of the program is to:

- Provide families with access to sessional occasional child care, targeting children not accessing other early childhood education and care programs.
- enable children to participate in a range of activities
- promote young children's development and learning by increasing access to a high quality early childhood education and care program.

Occasional Care experiences are supported by the Early Years Learning framework (EYLF) which encourages your child's development of Belonging, being and becoming.

Together with the curriculum, we encourage the natural curiosity of our children by creating nature-based play spaces providing children with endless learning opportunities.

What is the purpose of nature play?

At Riverview Preschool we have a Nature Play and loose parts focus.

Nature play has a positive effect upon children's physical, cognitive and emotional development; the basis for creativity, problem solving, reasoning, socialising and managing risk.

Play is about learning and child development. It is an important part of healthy development in which children challenge themselves and practice skills, and children who play regularly in natural environments show more advanced motor fitness, including coordination, balance and agility and they are sick less often.

Nature play for babies helps build both fine and motor skills, along with assisting with cognitive development. Little direction is required with nature play and will encourage children to explore.

Priority of access:

Priority of access criteria-

- children under the guardianship of the minister
- children at risk of serious abuse and neglect
- children in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families
- children in families which include a person with a disability or health condition that impacts upon their parenting
- children with a disability and/or additional needs
- children in socially isolated families

You can join our **Governing Council** at anytime throughout the year. Just come along to our meetings – A maximum of 10 meetings a year, usually less.

Without a Governing Council the Preschool would have to close.

FUNDRAISING: We need to fundraise to cover costs of utilities, salaries and consumables. The nature and frequency of the fundraiser is dependent on the decision of your elected Governing Council members. We need your commitment and support when a fundraising event is called. Support can take on many forms such as volunteering a couple of hours, making, donating, selling items. *A successful fundraiser helps to subsidise extra staff, excursions & more resources for **your** children.*

Parent Concerns – as a staff team we pride ourselves in being available to talk 1:1, in a confidential manner on concerns that you may have regarding your child / time at kindergarten.

You may feel that we are too busy to talk to you – if this is the case we can make ourselves available to discuss matters upon a mutually agreed time during or after hours.

FINALLY - please feel free to talk with staff re any concerns, joys, etc., you may have. *It is our hope that the time you and your child spend at kindergarten will be enjoy- able & rewarding for all.*