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Department for Education and
Child Development

SESSION TIMES:

GROUP Blue

Monday: 8:45am – 2.45 pm

Wednesday: 8:45am – 2.45 pm

Friday's: 8.45 am – 2.45pm every odd week

Monday & Wednesday sessions includes lunch program.

GROUP B: Red

Tuesday : 8:45am – 2.45 pm

Thursday: 8:45am – 2.45 pm

Friday's: 8.45 am – 2.45pm every odd week

Tuesday & Thursday sessions includes lunch program.

WHEN YOUR CHILD STARTS... Please bring with your child:

- ❖ A bag, which includes the following:
- ❖ A hat – either broad brimmed or legionnaire must be worn during terms 1 and 4. At other times it is at our discretion. **Please remind child daily on wearing a hat.**
- ❖ A piece of fruit, or healthy snack. **Plus** packed lunch, if staying a full day. On hot days please pack lunch with ice pack.
- ❖ A drink bottle with water. If child runs out filtered water is available at all times.
- ❖ Spare clothes, just in case!
- ❖ Please apply sunscreen at home. We will re-apply sunscreen, with your consent, in middle of day.

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 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.

We also encourage you to supply rubber boots and a rain coat, for your child, as we go out in all weather.

ATTENDANCE:

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

ALLERGIES / MEDICAL CONDITIONS:

It is vital that staff are notified of any child's allergies and the appropriate treatment. Equally important is informing staff if your child has or should develop any form of medical condition whilst enrolled at kindergarten. Due to health and safety reasons our kindergarten is a **NUT FREE / AWARE ZONE. This policy is reviewed annually. All staff are trained in First Aid, Asthma and Anaphylaxis**

COLLECTION / DELIVERY :

Please bring your child into the kindergarten. If another adult other than the person who drops off your child at kindergarten is to collect that child at the end of the session then staff are to be informed personally or either via phone call or signed letter by parent giving consent to do so.

AMENITIES / FEES:

Families will receive an invoice via their child's communication pocket. Please return payment, with details, in an envelope, directly to a staff member. An official receipt will be provided upon banking by our Finance Officer. Please see Dawn if experiencing difficulties in the payment of amenities / fees. **All concerns treated CONFIDENTIALLY.**

Fees can also be paid electronically :(EFT)

Cash

Internet banking

BSB Number: **065-175**

Account Number: 10049957

Account Name: Riverview Preschool Centre Please

enter **YOUR CHILD'S NAME** as 'Reference'

NOTICES:

Please check your communication pocket on a daily basis. Reminder notices will be displayed around the kindergarten and/or placed on entry gate.

SIGNING IN :

Please make sure your child is signed in each session. It is required to be completed by an adult over 18 yrs.

The kindergarten curriculum program is displayed at kindergarten. We encourage you to read about what is happening so discussions can occur with your child about what they have been doing. Our weekly curriculum floorbook is displayed by the sign in sheet.

PROGRAM :

Our Image of the Child

Some staff have undertaken a Study Tour of Reggio Emilia, and this centre implements the principles of promoting children’s voice, encouraging children to explore their interests, and to express themselves in many ways. The Educators observe and reflect on the children’s learning to build the curriculum with the children. Our image of each child as a strong, powerful, competent learner underpins our philosophy and practice. Children construct meaning through their interactions with and exploration of their world. We respect the rights of the child, and importance of children’s voice in determining their learning. The role of the educator is to create interesting environments which children seek to explore. We need to listen to children, and through challenging conversations to support the children to construct meaning. Children express themselves in many ways: “the hundred languages of children”. Educators must reflect and research in order to support children as learners both individually and in group endeavours.

What is the purpose of nature play?

We have a focus on nature play and loose parts at our site. 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.

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 kindergarten 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.*

Regular Attendance to kindergarten is important.

We are staffed on attendance in the first 2 or 3 weeks of every term. If your child is away on a day in these weeks we cannot count them for staffing and risk losing staff. We are presently staffed on 1 staff to 10 children.

Other educational/health/children’s services Salisbury Downs(Riverview Preschool)

Riverview Preschool Occasional Care ;82817330or043873894

Rivendale Primary School; 82817166

Rivendale After school Care (OHSC) ; 81824916

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 enjoyable & rewarding for all.