



ST ELIZABETH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Three year old Kindergarten



Parent information booklet 2020

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ST ELIZABETH'S THREE-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN 2020

The aim of our program is to learn through play, play to learn and have a lot of FUN!! The program is for children who have already turned three years of age and encourages children to explore, discover, create, learn and express their ideas while they play.

SESSION TIMES

Monday 8.45am to 2.50pm, with doors opening at 8.30am.

If you arrive after 8.45am please see the office staff first as your child will need to be signed in. All three-year-old kindergarten children must to be dropped off and collected by an adult to and from the classroom.

WHAT TO WEAR AND WHAT TO BRING

Please ensure clothing is comfortable and appropriate for the kinds of fun and sometimes messy activities we are involved in here at school. For outside play we recommend SunSmart clothing (eg tops with sleeves).

We encourage independence, so “easy to put on shoes” with Velcro are highly recommended.

What to bring:

- a strong sturdy bag clearly labelled to keep your child's belongings in
- morning tea and lunch in a clearly labelled lunch box
- a drink bottle filled with water clearly labelled
- crunch n sip in a separate clearly labelled small container
- a clearly labelled SunSmart hat
- a set of spare clothes (two pairs of underwear, socks, pants and top)

*It is preferable that children are toilet trained when commencing three-year-old kindy, however if your child is wearing nappies or pull-ups, please advise staff and provide wipes and spare nappies/pull-ups.

SETTLING IN

For many children, the three-year-old kindy program may be the first time they are away from their parents. It may take some children a little while to settle in and feel comfortable in our class. The staff will work closely with parents to ensure your child is given the best chance to settle at their own pace in their own way. Please speak to a staff member if you are worried about how your child will cope with your departure.

OUR ROUTINE

At the beginning of the day we ask that a parent or accompanying adult read a book or share a puzzle with their child. The length of time you need to stay depends on your child and your schedule. Please encourage children to pack away when the bell rings to signify the morning mat session. They then make their way to the mat and parents are asked to say their goodbyes!

COMMUNICATION

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We snap numerous photographs during our sessions to catch magical moments on camera and love to share these and various updates from our classroom with you through our blog.

If your child is being picked up by someone other than yourself, please write it down in the communication book by the door and notify a staff member. They are required to show his/her driver's license on pick up.

ABSENTEES

Please keep sick children at home until they have fully recovered. You are required to notify the classroom teacher via email by 8.30am if your child will not be attending school for the day and the reason for absence. This will serve as a note to cover the absence for your child. For legal purposes and correct class roll record keeping, parents must send a note/email to the class teacher stating the date and reason for the absence from class.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

We have a parent help roster. Parents are asked to place their name on the rosters in the classroom each term. Morning parent help commences at 8.45am and concludes at 10.30am, however parents are welcome to join us anytime that may be convenient. Please be aware that prior to helping in the classroom you need to obtain a "parent helper lanyard" from the office and sign the visitor's book on arrival and sign out on departure.

MEDICATION AND ALLERGIES

Please inform staff of any allergies or medical issues. If your child has a serious medical condition requiring urgent medical attention (eg Anaphylaxis) you will need to contact school administration and fill out the necessary documentation.

Any medication coming into the school must be accompanied with written instructions from the parent/guardian on a school medication form (available from the school office). All medication other than EpiPens are kept at the front office.

LEARNING AND PLAY

Play is the instrument for teaching in the three-year-old kindy program. It will be both spontaneous and planned. The following types of play will make up our program:



- sensory play
- construction play
- manipulative play
- exploratory play
- physical play
- creative play
- dramatic play