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2024 Information

2024 Staff

Lauren Naqvi- Preschool Director Danielle Tamas- Early Childhood Worker/ Finance Officer Courtney Irrgang- Teacher Karen Poulden- ECW Megan Stirrat- Teacher Tara Wickham- ECW Bonnie Mustanow- ECW

Session Times:

Blue Group:

Monday/ Tuesday: 8am -3.15pm

Purple Group:

Wednesday/Thursday: 8am -3.15pm

Friday x4 per year (dates to be advised)

Friday: 9am-2pm

What to bring:

- * A bag
- * Spare clothes (including socks and underwear)
- * Hat- broad brimmed or legionnaire must be worn when UV is over 3, and between August 1st and May 1st
- * Morning snack
- * Lunch
- * Water bottle

Please apply sunscreen before preschool. We reapply at II.30am and I.45pm

Please clearly label all belongings.

Please keep all toys and other valuables at home due to the risk of such treasures being lost or broken.

Healthy Eating:

Due to the Preschool's practice of encouraging healthy eating please refrain from sending your child with chocolate, lollies and sugary snacks.

Nut and Egg Free Zone



Please note: WE ARE A NUT AND EGG FREE ZONE

<u>Clothing:</u>

It is important that children's clothing allows for freedom of movement around our learning environment, and that they can manage themselves when going to the toilet. Please pack spare clothes in your child's bag in case of accidents and messy play. Thongs are not appropriate footwear for preschool due to health and safety reasons.

Attendance:

Continuity is important at preschool. It is beneficial for your child's social and emotional development and establishes a good routine in readiness for school. Please notify the preschool if your child is unable to attend due to illness, holiday etc. You can ring or send a message via SeeSaw.

Allergies/ Medical Conditions:

It is vital that staff are notified of any allergies or medical conditions and the appropriate treatment. Our staff are trained in first aid.

<u>Collection/Delivery:</u>

Please bring your child inside the gate and assist them to unpack their belongings. All children must be signed in and out each day. If another adult will be picking up your child please inform staff. Please adhere to our start and finish times. Staff will open the front gate at 8am, please don't leave your children before this time. We ask that you arrive between 8am and 9am so the children can start their day. Pick up time is flexible but we encourage you to arrive between 2.50pm-3.15pm. 3.15pm is strictly the latest time for pick up as our staff often have meetings and trainings to travel to at other sites.

Preschool Contribution Fees:

Families will receive an invoice in your note pocket. Our fees are currently \$115 per term. Fees are reviewed annually by the Governing Council and there will be an increase from Term I 2025. Fees can be paid by cash, EFTPOS, Direct Deposit or Centrepay. Our bank account details are: BSB- 065-122

Account Number: 11193673

Please enter child's full name as the reference.

Tliness:

If your child is unwell please keep them home. If your child contracts something contagious please let us know so we can inform other preschool families of symptoms. In the case of vomiting or diarrhoea we ask that you keep your child home for 24 hours after the last bout. If your child has a chronic illness, specific health needs (eg asthma) or allergies please see a staff member as they will need a specific health care plan. If your child becomes ill at preschool, a staff member will contact you to collect your child. We ask that you collect your child within I hour. Staff are able to provide first aid for minor injuries when needed. Head injuries are treated cautiously- parents are informed immediately so they can decide a course of action (eg come pick up your child, staff monitor etc.)

Governing Council:

The Governing Council consists of parents and staff members and is an integral part of the preschool. Being a member gives parents the opportunity to be involved in decision making, the management of finances, fundraising and the maintenance of buildings and equipment. Meetings are held twice a term at a time agreed on by members at the beginning of the year.

Early Years Learning Framework

At preschool children are involved in play activities which develop their physical, social, emotional, cognitive, literacy and numeracy skills.

Structured group times involve participation in discussions, stories, games, music and show and tell opportunities.

The learning program at Blakeview Preschool is based on the curriculum document 'Belonging, Being and Becoming-The Early Years Learning Framework'.

Fundamental to the Framework is the view that children's lives are characterised by belonging, being and becoming. From before birth children are connected to family, community, culture and place. Their earliest development takes place through these relationships, particularly within families, who are children's first and most influential educators. As children participate in everyday life they develop interests and construct their own identities and understandings of the world.

Belonging: is the response to feeling valued and supported through connections and relationships with others and the environment Being: is about a persons unique identity and qualities Becoming: refers to the process of change that occurs through development, learning and experiences

The framework has 5 learning outcomes which are designed to capture the integrated and complex learning and development of children from birth to age five

Outcome I: Children have a strong sense of identity

Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world

Outcome 3: Children have a strong sense of wellbeing Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners

Outcome 5: Children are effective communicators

Curriculum information is always available at the preschool.

National Quality Framework

The National Quality Framework aims to raise quality and drive continuous improvement and consistency in education and care services.

Blakeview Preschool reviews its practices under the 7 areas of the National Quality Standards

- I. Educational Program and Practice
- 2. Children's Health and Safety
- 3. The Physical Environment
- 4. Staffing Arrangements
- 5. Relationships with Children
- 6. Collaborative Partnerships with Families and Communities
- 7. Leadership and Service Management

Our Quality Improvement Plan describes our goals in each of these areas-please see the website to download the Quality Improvement Plan.

Blakeview Preschool was rated Exceeding in all areas of the National Quality Standards at our assessment visit.

