

The daily routine

8:50am: On arrival children are encouraged to sign in, apply sunblock, unpack their bags (lunch boxes in tray on kitchen bench to be placed in fridge, drink bottles, snacks and hats into their locker. Parents are encouraged to join an activity with their child.

At approximately 9:20am we come together for a large group session with a focus on listening, participation, turn taking etc. This may involve show and tell, a story, singing, number rhymes, games and group discussions helping children to become confident and involved in group situations. We also use this time to talk about the day's activities/events and check attendances.

9: 45am children wash their hands, put on their hat and are encouraged to have a fruit or vegetable snack (followed by other food snacks if needed) and a drink of water. Children may then choose to play and engage in the range of activities both indoors and out. (Outside yards are alternated after approximately 4 weeks in consultation with children and staff).

At 11:30am we come together for another group time providing more opportunities for discussion, literacy/numeracy games, music and movement etc. Following group time we reapply sun block, wash hands and sit down together for lunch at approx. 12 noon.

After lunch children have opportunities to once again access play activities inside and out. A formal rest time is not provided but children are welcome to have a rest on cushions provided if they wish. Small group times are held throughout the day providing children opportunities to work together in small groups and giving staff the opportunity to focus on particular skills, concepts and experiences.

At approx. 2.15 pm children are reminded to have an afternoon snack/drink if they haven't already done so and are given warning that pack up time will occur shortly.

2:30pm Staff and children are involved in packing up inside and out.

2.45pm We come together for an end of session group and farewell

3:00 Farewell. We encourage children to say goodbye before they leave.

On Monday afternoon a modified program operates. Please encourage your child to have lunch before they come to kindergarten due to the short session.