2020
Preschool information
Acknowledgement

Wodonga Council would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, and pay respect to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
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## Preschool timetable 2020

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Wodonga Council provides inclusive programs where all children are welcome. We look forward to working alongside you as partners in your child's development and education.

Attending preschool can help your child to:
- Be confident in learning and trying new things
- Build their sense of identity
- Strengthen their physical, social and emotional wellbeing
- Develop support language and literacy

To enrol your child into a preschool program please go to the online portal:
https://wod.city/preschoolenrolment

If you require assistance with the enrolment process please contact the Early Years team.

For further information in regards to enrolments, fees and payments, please contact the Early Years team.

**Phone:** (02) 6022 9300  
**Fax:** (02) 6022 9322  
**Email:** info@wodonga.vic.gov.au  
**Website:** wodonga.vic.gov.au  
**Address:** 104 Hovell St, (PO Box 923), Wodonga, VIC 3690

Open days will occur in June, 2019. Open day sessions (dates and times) will be posted on the Wodonga Council website in May, 2019.
Preschool contact details

Baranduda Preschool  
4 Sage Crt, Baranduda  
(02) 6020 8460

Belgrade Ave Preschool  
12 Belgrade Ave, Wodonga  
(02) 6024 3974

Felltimber Preschool  
189 Melrose Drive, Wodonga  
(02) 6059 6244

Jamieson Crt Preschool  
16 Jamieson Crt, Wodonga  
(02) 6059 2353

Southern Rise Preschool  
15 Cartwright St, Wodonga  
(02) 6024 5867

Stanley St Preschool  
24 Stanley St, Wodonga  
(02) 6024 1756

Interview days

For discussions on your child’s development, families can request an interview with their teacher. Interview days will be held during November, 2019 which will support transition to preschool plans. More information on booking an interview will be supplied to parents in October.

Term dates

2020:
Term 1: January 29 to March 27, 2020
Term 2: April 14 to June 26, 2020
Term 3: July 13 to September 18, 2020
Term 4: October 5 to December 17, 2020

Curriculum Days (Pupil free days)
There will be two curriculum days for staff professional development. There will be no preschool on these days:
1. Thursday, May 14, 2020
2. Wednesday, November 25, 2020
Three hour preschool fees:
$217 per term ($870 per year).

15 hour preschool fees:
$388.50 per term ($1554 per year).

Fee exemptions:
Fee exemptions are available for families who hold one of the following cards:

1. A Commonwealth Health Care Card
2. A Commonwealth Pensioner Concession Card
3. A Department of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or White Card
4. Refugee visa (subclass 200)
5. In-country Special Humanitarian visa (subclass 201)
6. Global Special Humanitarian visa (subclass 202)
7. Temporary Humanitarian Concern visa (subclass 786)
8. Protection visa (subclass 866)
9. Woman At Risk visa (subclass 204)
10. Bridging visas A-E

Payment of fees
Term 1:
Account sent: December 2, 2019
Payment due: January 20, 2020

Term 2:
Account sent: March 6, 2020
Payment due: April 3, 2020

Term 3:
Account sent: June 5, 2020
Payment due: July 3, 2020

Term 4:
Account sent: September 4, 2020
Payment due: October 2, 2020

Payment options include:
1. Direct debit of fees by fortnightly payments. Forms will be provided to families upon confirmation of preschool allocation.
2. Full payment by the due date. You will find details of how to make payment listed on your invoice.
General information

**Immunisations**
Please ensure that you submit your child's updated Immunisation History Statement after they receive their 4 year old immunisation. This statement is available for download through your Medicare online account, myGov or Express Plus Medicare mobile app.

**Centre policies**
Centre policies can be accessed at the preschool. Please discuss with your preschool teacher if you would like information on any of our policies.

**Children's records**
Children's enrolment forms and developmental records remain confidential at all times. You can request access to your child's documents at any time.

**Medical conditions**
Children with medical conditions may require medical management plans prior to commencement. Please speak with your teacher about how best to support your child with medical conditions.

**Collection of children**
Only the parents/guardians listed on the enrolment form are able to collect their child.

Parents/guardians can nominate ‘authorised persons’ who can also collect their child/ren when they are unable to. These authorised persons must be documented on the child's enrolment form.

Staff will request suitable identification from ‘authorised persons’ attending to collect your child. This identification must include a photo, name, date of birth and address of the ‘authorised person’.
Custodial issues
Should you require any written information about your child for legal purposes, please submit a written request to the Early Years team at PO Box 923, Wodonga, 3690 or email mmalcolm@wodonga.vic.gov.au
Court orders relating to parental custody are to be submitted upon enrolment or to your teacher.

Parental plans relating to custody and communication needs are to be submitted upon enrolment or to your teacher.

Education information
Educational learning plans and progress reports will be provided to both parents unless court ordered otherwise.

Parental concerns
Should you have any concerns please discuss these with your teacher. If you would like to discuss anything further please contact the Early Years Team Leader on (02) 6022 9300.

Lost property
Each preschool has a lost property area. Please talk with your teachers if you are missing any items. Please ensure you place your child's name on all personal items.

Photographs/media
Photographs will be routinely taken by your child's teachers to support the evaluation of the education program.

Photos may also be taken by staff, students and/or the media and may be used in displays, newspapers, pamphlets, communication journals and advertisements. Parents will give their permission as part of the application process.

Staff will notify parents prior to photographing/filming where possible.

Parents/Guardians are advised to discuss with teachers if photographs of your child are not permitted.
What your child needs to bring:
- A bag
- A sunhat – all year round. Sun hats are worn at all times during Term 1 and Term 4. Staff will ensure children wear sunhats during Term 2 and Term 3 when the UV Index is above 3
- A change of clothes
- Warm clothing (when appropriate)
- A bottle of water
- A packed lunch and afternoon tea (for A and B group only)
- Morning tea of fruit, milk and water will be provided by the preschool

Footwear and clothing
It is recommended that children wear sneakers, runners or well-fitted sandals.

Thongs are not appropriate or safe for children to wear during active play.

Families and friends can participate in the service through:
- Assisting in the program. This can be discussed with your teacher
- Parent Advisory Group – information will be provided by the teacher
- Morning tea preparation

Parent and guardians will be provided with information about the daily program from the preschool teacher.

Children’s Learning Plans and Progress Reports. *(For A and B group only).*
Your child will have an Individual Learning Plan to support their education.

You will receive a progress report for Term 1 and Term 2.

For those children progressing to school the following year, transition statements will be written and forwarded to your child’s school in Term 4.