Welcome to Terrey
Hills Community
Kindergarten



Terrey Hills Community Kindergarten has been providing Early Childhood Education to the local community for over 50 years. In 2024 we are excited to welcome you into our beautiful Kindergarten.



Community Kindergarten

Hours of Operation:

We are open Monday- Friday 8am- 4pm.

 We Operate 40 weeks of the year, during NSW School Terms and are closed during the NSW School Holiday periods.

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Starting Dates for 2024

- 2 Day Group Tuesday 30th January
- 3 Day Group Wednesday 31st January



- Term 1- Tuesday 30th January to Friday 12th April
- Term 2- Monday 29th April to Friday 5th July
- Term 3-Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September
- Term 4- Monday 14th October to Thursday 19th December



Term Dates for 2024:

Our Kindy Groups

Our 2 Day Group has up to 29 children a day. The age of children in this group is between 3- 4 years old at the start of the year.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Monday and Tuesday

3 Day Group has up to 29 children a day. The age of children in this group is between 4- 5 years old at the start of the year.

A little bit about our Kindy:

We are run by a volunteer Management Committee, making up of 10 committee members. These members are parents of the Kindy and are voted in each year at our Annual General Meeting (AGM). In 2024, our AGM will be held in March and at the start of the year families will be given notice about this.

We are a not-for-profit organisation and rely on our Kindy community to help keep our costs low. This includes helping on the Kindy Garden Roster or helping with small maintenance job.

Our Staff Team:

Our Staff Team are made up of 10 staff members:

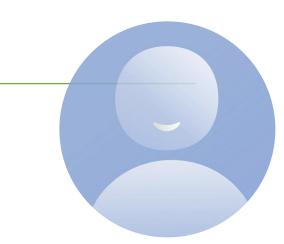
All staff members have one of the following Early Childhood qualifications:

A Bachelor of Early Childhood Education or

A Bachelor of Teaching, Early Childhood Education.

A Diploma of Early Childhood Care and Education, or

A Certificate 3 in Early Childhood Care and Education.



Our Staff Team



Myself, Emma Collins
I am the Director, Nominated Supervisor and Educational Leader.
I have a Bachelor of Teaching, Early Childhood Education.
I work Monday- Thursday

Sue Campbell
Office Administration
Wednesday- Friday

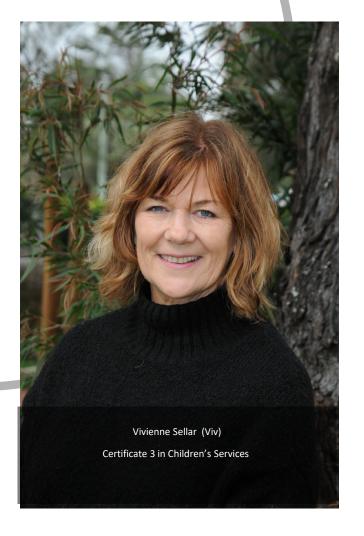




Becky Klein
Bachelor of Early Childhood Education.

Nicola Luchetti
Diploma of Early Childhood Care and Education.







Sophie Gould

Bachelor of Early Childhood Education

Wednesday- Friday



Tracey Witney
Bachelor of Early Childhood Education.
Thursday- Friday



What does a typical Kindy Day look like?

Daily routines may change, based on the group of children and their needs.

- 8am- 10:15am- Indoor and Outdoor play
- 10.15am- Morning Welcome and a small group time
- 10.30am- 11am- Morning tea all together
- 11am -12.45pm- Indoor or Outdoor play
- 12.45pm-1pm- Group experience, which may include Dancing, Music, Reading or Group Discussions
- **1pm-1.30pm-** Lunch
- 1.30pm-2.15pm- Quiet resting, Mindfulness, Yoga
- **2.15pm** Free play outside
- 3pm-4pm Fruit break and Inside stories/ drawing/ play.



Our Philosophy

At Terrey Hills Community Kindergarten, we believe early childhood education to be the foundation for lifelong learning. Each child is a unique individual who is viewed, respected and treated as such. Each child is capable and resourceful with different interests, backgrounds, experiences and learning abilities. We believe in creating an educational, relaxed and home like setting to ensure that it is stimulating and challenging in a warm, nurturing and safe environment.

Our vision for children is to create a purposeful and challenging place of belonging where children learn to engage, grow, care, problem solve, collaborate and work to achieve their fullest potential. Children are supported through play and intentional teaching to further develop their individual personality, resilience and love of learning.

Our vision for the families is to develop respectful and rich relationships based on open communication and support. Partnerships with families provide us with invaluable information relating to cultural backgrounds and heritage. As parents are the most important people in their children's lives and have the biggest influence on their child's learning, it is our priority to work closely and collaboratively with parents and children.

Our vision as a team is to acknowledge and support the diverse strengths and experiences that each Educator brings to Terrey Hills Community Kindergarten in order to combine shared professional knowledge, understanding and skills. The team implements the Early Years Learning Framework, engaging in a lively culture of professional inquiry and reflective practice. Educators teaching is intentional, meaningful and thoughtful to ensure all children's skills, abilities and strengths are highlighted.

At Terrey Hills Community Kindergarten, we pride ourselves on our learning environment. Our bushy outdoor space invites open ended interactions, spontaneity, risk taking, exploration, discovery and connection with nature. Our indoor learning areas are welcoming of and invite conversations between children, educators, families and the wider community, promoting opportunities for sustained shared thinking and collaborative learning.

Our Kindy Philosophy:

Early Learning is the foundation of lifelong learning.

Children can engage, grow, care, problem solve, collaborate and work together to achieve their fullest potential.

Respectful and rich relationships with families.

Bushy outdoor space invites open ended interactions, spontaneity and risk taking.

Children are supported through play.

Our service strives to provide a high quality of education and care for all children. We view children as *capable and competent*.

Our beautifully unique bush Kindergarten provides the children an amazing indoor and outdoor environment which facilities an amazing space for children to learn through play.







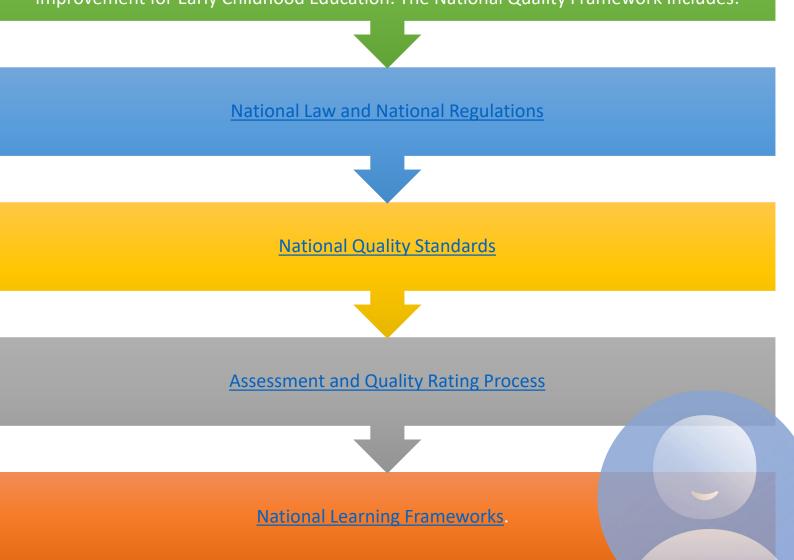
You might be thinking... What does learn through play mean? This means that children use play and their own ideas, abilities, strengths, and skills to make meaning and learn about the world.







Early Childhood National Quality Framework At Terrey Hills Community Kindergarten, we are governed by The National Quality Framework (NQF) which provides a national approach to regulation, assessment, and quality improvement for Early Childhood Education. The National Quality Framework includes:



	NATIONAL QUALITY ST	ANDARD Autorition Children's Education & Care	
	Concept	Descriptor	
QA1		Educational program and practice	
1.1	Program	The educational program enhances each child's learning and development.	
1.1.1	Approved learning framework	Curriculum decision-making contributes to each child's learning and development outcomes in relation to their identity, connection with community, wellbeing, confidence as learners and effectiveness as communicators.	
1.1.2	Child-centred	Each child's current knowledge, strengths, ideas, culture, abilities and interests the foundation of the program.	
1.1.3	Program learning opportunities	All aspects of the program, including routines, are organised in ways the opportunities for each child's learning.	
1.2	Practice	Educators facilitate and extend each child's learning and develop	
1.2.1	Intentional teaching	Educators are deliberate, purposeful, and thoughtful in their	
1.2.2	Responsive teaching and scaffolding	Educators respond to children's ideas and play and ext through open-ended questions, interactions and fer	
1.2.3	Child directed learning	Each child's agency is promoted, enabling them influence events and their world.	
L.3	Assessment and planning	Educators and co-ordinators take a plann implementing the program for each co	
1.3.1	Assessment and planning cycle	Each child's learning and developr ongoing cycle of observation, analy. implementation and reflection.	
1.3.2	Critical reflection	Critical reflection on children's learning and in groups, drives program planning and imple.	
1.3.3	Information for families	Families are informed about the program and the	
QA2		Children's health and safety	
2.1	Health	Each child's health and physical activity is supported and p	
2.1.1	Wellbeing and comfort	Each child's wellbeing and comfort is provided for, including apt opportunities to meet each child's need for sleep, rest and relaxations.	
2.1.2	Health practices and procedures	Effective illness and injury management and hygiene practices are pro- implemented.	
2.1.3	Healthy lifestyle	Healthy eating and physical activity are promoted and appropriate for each c	
2.2	Safety	Each child is protected.	
2.2.1	Supervision	At all times, reasonable precautions and adequate supervision ensure children are protected from harm and hazard.	
2.2.2	Incident and emergency management	Plans to effectively manage incidents and emergencies are developed in consultation with relevant authorities, practised and implemented.	
2.2.3	Child protection	Management, educators and staff are aware of their roles and responsibilities to identify and respond to every child at risk of abuse or neglect.	
QA3		Physical environment	
3.1	Design	The design of the facilities is appropriate for the operation of a service.	
3 1 1	Fit for purpose	Outdoor and indoor spaces, buildings, fixtures and fittings are suitable for their	

	Concept	Descriptor			
QA4		Staffing arrangements			
4.1	Staffing arrangements	Staffing arrangements enhance children's learning and development.			
4.1.1	Organisation of educators	The organisation of educators across the service supports children's learning and development.			
1.1.2	Continuity of staff	Every effort is made for children to experience continuity of educators at the service.			
	Professionalism	Management, educators and staff are collaborative, respectful and ethical.			
	Professional collaboration	Management, educators and staff work with mutual respect and collaboratively, and challenge and learn from each other, recognising each other's strengths and skills.			
	'nnal standards	Professional standards guide practice, interactions and relationships.			
		Relationships with children			
	veen educators	Respectful and equitable relationships are maintained with each child.			
Oua	ality	Responsive and meaningful interactions build trusting relationships which engage and support each child to feel secure, confident and included.			
~~~	11109	The dignity and rights of every child are maintained.			
onsi	ality st of 7	Sach child is supported to build and maintain sensitive and responsive relationships			
		Children are supported to collaborate, learn from and help each other.			
Are	as	Each child is supported to regulate their own behaviour, respond appropriately to the behaviour of others and communicate effectively to resolve conflicts.			
		Collaborative partnerships with families and communities			
	ationships with	Respectful relationships with families are developed and maintained and families are supported in their parenting role.			
	nent with the service	Families are supported from enrolment to be involved in the service and contribute to service decisions.			
	arent views are respected	The expertise, culture, values and beliefs of families are respected and families share in decision-making about their child's learning and wellbeing.			
	Families are supported	Current information is available to families about the service and relevant community services and resources to support parenting and family wellbeing.			
1.2	Collaborative partnerships	Collaborative partnerships enhance children's inclusion, learning and wellbeing.			
6.2.1	Transitions	Continuity of learning and transitions for each child are supported by sharing information and clarifying responsibilities.			
6.2.2	Access and participation	Effective partnerships support children's access, inclusion and participation in the program.			
6.2.3	Community engagement	The service builds relationships and engages with its community.			
QA7		Governance and Leadership			
7.1	Governance	Governance supports the operation of a quality service.			
7.1.1	Service philosophy and purpose	A statement of philosophy guides all aspects of the service's operations.			

### BELONGING, BEING & BECOMING

The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia







### EARLY YEARS LEARNING FRAMEWORK

A new, national early learning framework for children from birth to five years



"I want my child to have lots of opportunities for creative play"



### WHAT ISTHIS NEW LEARNING FRAMEWORK ABOUT?

We have developed the Early Years Learning Framework to ensure your child receives quality education programs in their early childhood setting This is a vital time for them to learn and develop.

The Framework's vision is for all children to experience play-based learning that is engaging and builds success for life.

It is a guide for early childhood educators who work with children from birth to five years. They will use the Franciscoti in partnership with families, children's first and most influential educators, to develop learning programs responsive to children's ideas, interests, strengths and abilities, and recognise that children learn through their play.

The Early Years Learning Framework describes childhood as a time of belonging, being and becoming.

- Belonging is the basis for living a fulfilling life. Children feel they belong because of the relationships they have with their family, community, culture and place.
- Being is about living here and now.
   Childhood is a special time in life and children need time to just 'be'—time to play, try new things and have fun.
- Becoming is about the learning and development that young children experience. Children start to form their sense of identity from an early age, which shapes the type of adult they will become.

#### PLAY IS LEARNING

Play a very important for children. Through play tables and young children explore and learn to understand the world around them as they come to communicate, do over, imagine and create. When children play they are showing

what they have learned and what they are trying to understand. The is why play is one of the foundations of the Early Year's Learning Framework.

By using this Framework educators will guide your child's play by carefully designing learning activities and stimulating indoor and outdoor learning environments.

### RELATIONSHIPS ARE KEY

it is well known that children learn best when they have source relationships with caring adults. When children from a very early age develop trusting relationships they feel more confident and able to explore and learn.

In early childhood settings, when children feel emotionally secure they learn through play so develop the skills and understandings they need so interact positively with others and gradually learn so take responsibility.

# The National Quality Standards and the Early Years Learning Framework are used to..

Ensure quality and consistence across all Early Childhood settings.

Each of these documents have a strong emphasis on play based learning and planning for the individual child.

The five learning outcomes of the Early Years Learning Framework which you will see mentioned in documentation are:

- Children have a strong sense of identity.
- Children are connected with and contribute to their world.
- Children have a strong sense of wellbeing.
- Children are confident and involved learners.
- Children are effective communicators.

# Storypark &

At Terrey Hills Community Kindergarten we use Storypark! This is a secure online, private space to share with family's information and photos about your child and their day at Kindy.

Storypark takes security very seriously. It is not open for anyone to read, it is a password-protected private space for you, your child's teachers, and your family.

Families will receive photos, observations, art samples and weekly group stories about your child's Kindy day.

# What Documentation will you receive throughout your child's Kindy year:

Storypark.

At the end of term 2 you will receive a Mid Year summary of your childs learning throughout the 2 terms.

An art portfolio with children's artwork and special pictures, will be collected throughout the year and will be handed out at the end of the year, along with an End of Year Summary.



# Communication at Kindy

- You will receive an email from Sue in week 2 or 3 of each term with your Kindy fee invoice.
- Each term you will receive a newsletter with term dates and at the end of the term you will receive a Min Wrap-Up Newsletter from the term. This will include important dates for your diary for the following term.
- You can follow us on Facebook and Instagram for photos and updates throughout the year.
- You will also receive communication through Storypark Community posts.



# Wet Weather Play

We love to empower children to make more choices about their Kindy day, this includes the choice of indoor or outdoor play. We are allowing children to make the choice on rainy days if they would like to play outdoors in the wet weather.
 Therefore, we are asking, each child to bring in a raincoat to add to our Raincoat box at the start of the year, so that on Rainy days (appropriate light rain) children are still able to enjoy being outside and exploring the Kindy garden.



At the Kindy gate we have a security code for anyone to enter.

You will need to enter the code to come inside. At the start of next year, you will be given the code. Each year for security purposes we change this code.

If you have not remembered the code, you can ring the bell on top of the gate for a staff member to let you in.





## Sign in and out

• It is a legal requirement that you sign your child in and out each day. You will find the sign in/out sheets located at the sign in desk.

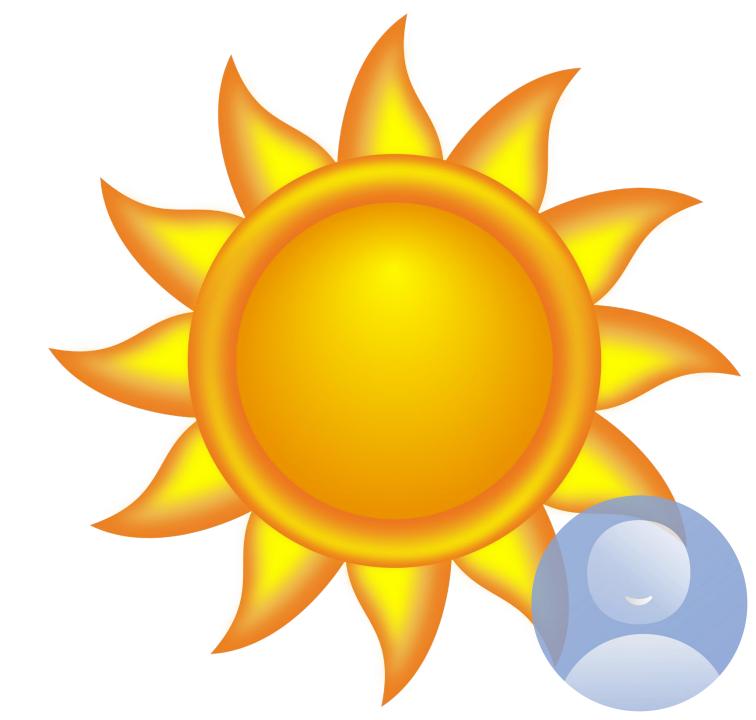


# Sun Protection

Please make sure your child has sunscreen applied before or upon arrival at the Kindy. We have sunscreen available at the sign in/ out table for you to apply if required. If your child requires a sunscreen other than the one provided at Kindy, we ask that you bring in your own.

We also ask that you tick the sunscreen box on the sign in page, so that we know that you have applied it.

We will reapply sunscreen throughout the day.



### Drop off and pick up

Over the past couple of years, we have restricted families from coming into the classroom during drop off and pick up times. We have found this to be very beneficial for the children. During drop off and pick up times, children whose parents have left or have not yet been collected can become worried or stressed.

With less adults in the classroom, it can limit this worry and can be less disruptive to the children's learning. We are going to continue this routine therefore; we ask that families please stay at the door of the classroom during these times. During pick up times, one of our educators will let your child know that you are there, and your child will meet you at the sign in area.

Due to safety and supervision reasons, we also ask that Kindy children and their siblings do not play in the Kindy playground during pick up times and that siblings stay with their parents at all times.

Thank you for your understanding of this.

### Drop off and pick up

We understand that dropping off your child that may be upset can be extremely upsetting and difficult for the adult. We do however recommend a quick drop off in the morning, to limit the amount of time your child is upset, as we generally see that as soon as a parent has left, the child will calm down and go to play.

If you have any concerns throughout the day, you can call us at any time to check in.

If you child is upset at, drop off and has not calmed down, we will always let you know.

### Terrey Hills Community Kindergarten Inc.

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#### AUTHORISATION TO COLLECT CHILD FROM KINDERGARTEN

TO BE FILLED OUT IF A PARENT HAS GIVEN AN ADULT OTHER THAN THOSE LISTED AS ACCESS PERSONS ON ENROLMENT FORM PERMISSION TO PICK UP THEIR CHILD. FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT OF CHILD CONCERNED ONLY.

Authorisation for specified dates only.
Authorisation to ADD this person to my child's enrolment form for future.
Igive permission
For
of (address)
Phone
Relation to Child
To collect my child (Name)
From Terrey Hills Kindergarten on
Parent's Name
Parent's Signature
Date
PLEASE ADD NAME OF PICKUP PERSON & YOUR SIGNATURE ON SIGNON SHEET AS WELL.

If someone other than a child's parent or guardian is picking up from Kindy, we require written notice such as an email or a Kindy Authorisation Form to be completed.

If this person is already nominated on your enrolment form as a pickup, we still require you to let staff know they will be picking up. If we have not spoken to a parent or guardian about pick up, we will not release your child to this person. We will call you to check before releasing your child.

### Sickness

- If your child is sick, please keep them at home.
- If your child is at home with a contagious infection after being at Kindy, such as vomiting, diarrhea, head lice, Covid 19 please inform the Kindy, so that we can inform other families of the illness, which their child may have been exposed too.
- If you have given your child some Panadol before their Kindy day, we assume that they are not well and therefore should not attend Kindy that day.
- Please refer to our Illness Policy on our website.

### Medications at Kindy



#### ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION RECORD

#### Authorisation of Consent ay signing this Administration of Medication Record, I give permission for educators to administer the prescribed medication in accordance with the Administration of Medication Policy and procedure. I declare that this Record has been completed in conjunction with the child's Medical Management Plan, if applicable. Peace under stand that medication will only be administered as directed by the medical practitioner and only to the child whom the medication has seen prescribed for. Expired medications will not be administered. Medication MUST be in the original container with the dispensing allela trainered.

A separate form must be completed for each medication if more than one is required

See Enrolment Form for detailed authorisation to administer medication. Authorisation must be provided by a parent or a person named in the child's enrolment record as authorised to consent to administration of medication.)

Date of birth			
Administration of medication form is valid from	/ /	-0	/ /
Parent/guardian signature			
Date			

#### MEDICATION DETAILS

Name of medication (as shown on packaging)	
Medical practitioner prescribing medication	
Expiry date /Use by date	
Reason for medication to be administered	
Storage instructions for medication	

#### Administration of Medication details

Medication last administered		Medication to be administered		Dosage of medication to	Method of administration	Parent/Carer name	Parent/Carer signature
Time	Date	Time	Date	be administered			

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Comments	Date	Parent Signature

- If your child is well and has been on antibiotics for more that 24 hours, we can administer their antibiotic to them at Kindy.
- We ask that you:

Bring in the medication in its original packaging and give it to a staff member, who will get you to fill out a Kindy Medication Form.

The medication will need to be clearly labeled with you child's name, the prescribing Doctors name and the dosage amount.

### Does your child suffer from Asthma or Anaphylaxis's?

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australealen society of clinical immunology and allergy	Anaphylaxis 🌌
www.allergy.org.au	Allapliylaxis
Name:	For use with EpiPen® adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjectors
Date of birth:	SIGNS OF MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTION
	Swelling of lips, face, eyes     Hives or welts     Hives or welts     Abdominal pain, vomiting - these are signs of anaphylaxis for insect allergy
	ACTION FOR MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTION
Confirmed allergens:	For insect allergy - flick out sting if visible For tick allergy ☐ seek medical help or ☐ freeze tick and let it drop off Stay with person, call for help and locate adrenaline autoinjector Give antihistamine (if prescribed) Phone family/emergency contact
Family/emergency contact name(s):	Mild to moderate allergic reactions (such as hives or swelling) may not always occur before anaphylaxis
1	WATCH FOR <u>ANY ONE</u> OF THE FOLLOWING SIGNS OF ANAPHYLAXIS (SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTION)
Plan prepared by doctor or nurse practitioner (np):  The treating doctor or np hereby authorises medications specified on this plan to be given according to the plan, as consented by	Difficult or noisy breathing     Swelling of tongue     Swelling or tightness in throat     Wheeze or persistent cough
the patient or parent/guardian.	ACTION FOR ANAPHYLAXIS
Whilst this plan does not expire, review is recommended by DD/MM/YY  Signed:	LAY PERSON FLAT - do NOT allow them to stand or walk     If unconscious or pregnant, place in recovery position     on left side if pregnant, as shown below
Date:	If breathing is difficult allow them to sit with legs outstretched     Hold young children flat, not upright
How to give EpiPen®  Form fist amount & EpiPen® and PULL OFF BLUE SAFETY RELEASE  Hold log still and PLACE ORANGE END against outer mid-flight (with or	2 GIVE ADRENALINE AUTOINJECTOR 3 Phone ambulance - 000 (AU) or 111 (NZ) 4 Phone family/emergency contact 5 Further adrenaline may be given if no response after 5 minutes
without clothing)  PUSH DOWN HARD until a click is heard or felt and	6 Transfer person to hospital for at least 4 hours of observation IF IN DOUBT GIVE ADRENALINE AUTOINJECTOR Commence CPR at any time if person is unresponsive and not breathing normally
hold in place for 3 seconds REMOVE EpiPen*  EpiPen* is prescribed as follows:  - EpiPen* ir (150 mcg) for children 7.5-20kg	ALWAYS GIVE ADRENALINE AUTOINJECTOR FIRST, and then asthma reliever puffer it someone with known asthma and allergy to food, insects or medication has SUDDEN BREATHING DIFFICULTY (including wheeze, persistent cough or hoarse voice) even if there are no skin symptoms Asthma reliever medication prescribed: □ Y □ N



- You will need to make sure you have informed Emma about your child's medical condition.
- You will need to provide an ACTION PLAN from your GP.
- A RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN will be done in consultation with Emma.
- You will need to provide your child's medication. If this medication is not at Kindy, your child will not be able to attended until you have provided the correct medication.

### Accident/Injury/ Illness at Kindy:

If your child has an accident at Kindy or becomes ill during the day, staff will fill out a form for you to read and sign.

Details of person comple	eting this record
Name:	Position/role:
Date and time record wa	s made// Signature:
Child details	
Child's full name:	
Date of birth:/	/ Age: Gender:
Incident details	
Incident date: /	/ Time: am/pm Location:
Name of witness:	
Witness signature:	
Cause of injury/trauma:	
Circumstances surroundi	ng any illness, including apparent symptoms:
	peared to be missing or otherwise unaccounted for (incl duration, who found child sic):
Circumstances if child app	peared to have been taken or removed from service or was locked in/out of service (include

Indicate on diagram the part of body affected	☐ Abrasion / Scrape	☐ Eye injury
	<ul> <li>☐ Allergic reaction (not anaphylaxis</li> </ul>	☐ Infectious disease (incl gastrointestinal)
	☐ Amputation	☐ High temperature
$\bigcirc$	☐ Anaphylaxis	☐ Ingestion / Inhalation /
	☐ Asthma / respiratory	insertion
	☐ Bite wound	☐ Internal injury / Infectio
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\$ ( \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	☐ Broken bone / fracture /	Rash
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(70) (70)	☐ Burn / sunburn	☐ Seizure /unconscious/ convulsion
1100 1101	☐ Choking ☐ Concussion	☐ Sprain / swelling
	□ Crush / jam	☐ Stabbing / piercing
	☐ Gut / open wound	□ Tooth
	☐ Drowning (non-fatal)	☐ Venomous bite/sting
	☐ Electric shack	☐ Other (please specify)
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Parent/guardian:	Time:am/pm Date://
Director/educator/coordinator:	Time:am/pm Date://
Other agency (if applicable):	Time:am/pm Date://
Regulatory authority (if applicable):	Time: am/pm Dale: /
Parental acknowledgement:	
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name of parent/guardian)	
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Additional notes:	
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## Lockers:

At the start of the year, your child will be given a locker. They will place their bag and belongings in the same locker each day. Throughout the day, children can access their lockers at any time.



# What do you need to bring into Kindy each day?

- A sun hat
- A drink bottle
- Seasonally appropriate changes of clothes
- A morning tea box
- A separate lunch box (Insulation bags are not needed as we refrigerate all the lunches)
- And....



# Kindy Hats / Sheets

- We sell Terrey Hills Kindy Hats for \$15 each. (these will be for sale at the start of the year)
- We also sell Kindy sheets, which fit onto our Kindy beds if required for \$30.



# What to wear to Kindy

- Well fitted shoes with good grip for running, climbing and balancing.
- T-shirts with covered shoulders (No shoestring straps please)
- Elastic waisted bottoms are easy and quick to pull down and up- these are great for children who are busy playing and leave the bathroom until the last minute.
- Clothes that can get dirt, paint and water on.
- We ask that you don't send your children in superhero or princess dress ups. Not only can these be hard for children to independently use the toilet, they also can cause distress for the other children, and we already have lots of dress ups at Kindy.

# We are a NUT FREE Service. Please *do not* bring any NUTS or food products which contain NUTS into Kindy.

- Our Service recognises the importance of healthy eating for the growth, development, and wellbeing of young children and is committed to promoting and supporting healthy food and drink choices for children in our care.

  At Kindy we:
- Encourage children to eat the more nutritious foods provided in their lunchbox, such as sandwiches, fruit, cheese, and yoghurt, before eating any less nutritious food provided.
- Food items that should not be brought to the service include confectionary such as lollies, sweets, and chocolate and sugary drinks such as cordial, or soft drinks.
- We ask that you practice with your child, opening and closing their lunch boxes before they start at Kindy.









# Morning Tea and Lunch Ideas

You will find a handout on your seat tonight with some lunch box suggestions.

Yoghurt

Fruit and veggies

Pasta

Sandwiches

Dip and crackers



## Rest Time

- After lunch the chilren will have a quiet rest/ mindfulness time. This may be some quiet reading, relaxation or yoga. We value this time, in being an important time in the children's busy day. It is a time for them to be still and recharge. We ask that you bring in a clearly labelled bag with a small pillow or pillow pet ,also labelled for this time for your child to rest their head on.
- Children who would like a sleep at this time, will be given a bed. We ask families to please provide sheets for this time. You can purchase a sheet set at the office- just ask Emma or Sue for more information.





# Birthday Celebrations

We love celebrating birthdays and special events at Kindy.

To celebrate, children can bring in cup cakes, ice-blocks, or special treats to share with their friend's.





## Tea Towels, Pictureplates, Kindy Photos, Open Day!

• Throughout the year, we offer families the chance to participate in a range of different activities, such as *Pictureplates, Tea Towels, Kindy Photos and more*. You will be given notice when these are happening throughout the year, and you will be able to choose if you would like to participate.











**Incursions** 

Each term families are charged a \$15 Incursion Fee on their Term Fees. This is to help cover the cost of special incursions which happen throughout the year. Each year our Incursions may change slightly, although they are always based on something fun and educational for the children.

This year the children have enjoyed.....





## Parent Involvement

We encourage Family involvement throughout our Kindy days. We would love for you to come in and share with the children an interest, your profession, play an instrument, read a story or do a cooking experience.

We also love grandparents and other family members to be involved also.

At our sign in area, we also have a parent suggestion sheet for parents to contribute to. This can be used as a way of communication, if your child has done something exciting on the weekend that we may be able to extend or talk about or a general topic that your child has shown an interest in.



# Gardening and Washing Roster

Each term a garden roster will be sent out to all families which will outline which weekend, each family will be on the Kindy Gardening Roster!

Each family should be on the Gardening Roster once in the year.

If it is your weekend on the roster, we ask that you help by weeding, sweeping, and tidying the Kindy gardens. We are very grateful and would not be able to have the yard we do without your amazing contribution.

Each week we also send home the Kindy washing. Again, this may be only once or twice a year and it is very much appreciated.





# Our Community Street Library

As part of our sustainable practices, we have implemented a Community Street Library for our Kindy children and families to use as well as the local community.

This is used to share and take books.

Make sure you and your child stop by and have a look in, you can take a book or bring in some books from home to donate. And lastly, remember to tell your friends in the community to drop in for a book.



# Preschool fee relief in community and mobile preschools

Fee relief funding at eligible community and mobile preschools reduces fees by up to \$4,220 per year.

It is available to children in the year (or in some services 2 years) before they start school through the 2024 Start Strong for Community Preschools program.

The fee relief will be passed on to you by your community or mobile preschool service as a reduction to your fees.

Services will let you know a fee relief reduction has been made to your fees, such as via a regular invoice, statement from the service, or other means.

You will still need to pay any remaining fees and/or levies after the fee relief has been applied.

# How is my fee relief calculated?

Fee relief funding is scaled by hours of enrolment to encourage 600 hours per year of early childhood education for children in preschools.

If your child attends a community or mobile preschool, the fee relief will be calculated based on the number of hours your child is enrolled (up to 600 hours per year), as outlined in the table on the next page.

# Affordable Preschool Subsidy

- In 2023 the NSW Government introduced a new subsidy for families attending Community Preschools.
- This is called the Affordable Preschool Fee Relief and if chosen to use at our service, can reduce your fees by \$4200 each year.
- Families can use this subsidy at only one Early Learning Service and the subsidy will be taken off your Kindy fees throughout the year.

To use the subsidy, families need to fill out the 'Fee Relief Declaration Form' in your child's Enrolment folder.



# Fees for 2024

• Our 2024 Fees are in the process of being set by our Board of Management. You will receive our 2024 Fee Structure as soon as they are set.

As a guide, this year our 2 Day Group Fees using the Affordable Preschool Subsidy were charged \$38.50 per week and

Our 3 Day group have been charged \$87 per week using the Relief Subsidy.

Each term families are also charged a \$64 Resource Contribution Fee and a \$15 Incursion Fee.

- Over the next couple of months your children will continue to grow and develop. So, we wait until the start of the year to give families an 'All about your Child Questionnaire' to fill out.
- In this you will be asked to set 3 age appropriate and realistic goals you would like your child to work towards over the year
- We ask you to let us know of any cultural celebrations or festivals your family celebrate, so that we can incorporate these into our programs
- And any other information you would like us to know about your child.

Should your child be considered too ill to remain at Kindergarten you must make arrangements for your child to be collected as soon as possible

children who contract a contagious disease must be kept at home and will not be accepted back to the Kindergarten until a medical certificate of clearance has been produced.

if you child has any type of infection e.g. vomiting, diarrhoea, head lice, high fever, conjunctivitis and heavy cold please keep him/her at home until fully recovered. (See Exclusion periods in Infection Control Policy/Sick Children Policy).

Parents are asked to notify the Director if your child or a family member contracts any of the following: Hepatitis, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough, Polio, Measles, Rubella, Mumps or Chicken Pox

Signature of a Parent/Guardian

Date

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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### Community Kindergarte

#### ENROLMENT FORM

Office Use Only: LOCKER	ENROLMENT DEPOSIT PA.	
CHILDS DETAILS		
Child's LAST name		
Child's FIRST name		
Child's DATE OF BIRTH	(D)/(M)/(Y)	
Child's residential address:	Street Address  Suburb State Postcode	
Country of birth:	30000	
Nationality:		
	CHILD'S ATTENDANCE	
Child's start date:	(D)(M)/(Y)	
	2 Day group 3 Day group PARENT/GUARDIAN DETAILS	
	Parent/Guardian One	
First names:		
Last name:		
Date of Birth:		
Address: If different from child's	(D)(N)	
Home phone:	Suburb State Postcode	
Mobile:		
Work phone;		
Occupation:		
Employer:		
Email address:	@	
Country of birth:	_	
Nationality		
	Parent/Guardian Two	
First names:		
Last name:		
Date of Birth:	(D)/(M)/(Y) Male Female	



# What to do now?

Fill out your blue Enrolment Folder which included the NSW Fee Relief Declaration Form and return it to Kindy before Monday 11th December.



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#### ENROLMENT FORM

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1st Emergency Contact	
Name:	
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And lastly, remember to read your child our Kindy Social Story to help prepare them for their new Kindy experience.









