

Early Learning Centre



Caloundra Christian College Early Learning Centre is a registered child care provider, offering Long Day Care. Fees may be reduced by the Child Care Subsidy (CCS). To be eligible for the reduction, parents must be registered with MyGov and have a confirmed written agreement.

Additional subsidy is available towards Kindy fees with proof of a current Health Care Card or Pension Card with health care benefits.

ELC Fees

Pre-Kindy Program (2 days/week/40 weeks)- Short day 8:45am-2:15pm	\$ 55
Kindy (5 days/fortnight/20 fortnights)- Short day 8:30am-2:30pm	\$ 65
Long Day Care (48 weeks per year)- 7:30am-5:30pm*	\$ 90

Enrolment Fee (includes Uniform Pack of two t-shirts and a hat) \$110

*Fees will be charged for forty-eight (48) weeks per year regardless of attendance. The Centre will be closed for four (4) weeks in December/January each year.

Program Days

Pre-Kindy
Must be 3 years old before attending Pre-Kindy and must be toilet trained.
Program Times: 8:45am-2:15pm
Available Programs: Early Week - Monday and Tuesday
Late Week - Thursday and Friday

Kindy

Must be 4 years old, by 30 June in the year attending Kindy.
Program Times: 8:30am-2:30pm
Available Programs: Early Week - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday^
Late Week - Wednesday^, Thursday and Friday

^ Wednesday alternate fortnightly between Early Week and Late Week.

Long Day Care (7:30am-5:30pm)

Kindy and Pre-Kindy (from 3 years) is offered within a Long Day Care format. Care options may be available for up to five days per week, subject to availability. You may select additional days as long day care to your Kindy or Pre-Kindy program days. For example if your child is in Early Week Kindy program you can book additional days for the alternate Wednesday, Thursday and/or Friday as a long day care. Long day care operates from the Pre-Kindy room.

Key Contacts

Danielle Wright

Nominated Supervisor
Diploma of Community Services & Diploma of Early Childhood Education & Care

Kindy

Nerida Fraser

Kindy Teacher/Educational Leader
Bachelor of Learning Management (Early Childhood)

Elizabeth Douglas

Kindy Assistant Educator
Diploma Children's Services

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Pre-Kindy/Long Day Care

Tania Lucas (Mon-Wed)

Lead Educator
Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care

Diana Davis (Thu-Fri)

Lead Educator
Diploma of Community Services (Children's Services)

Kathy Curtis (7:30am-12:30pm)

Assistant Educator
Diploma of Early Childhood and Care

Yvette Daymond (12:30pm-5:30pm)

Assistant Educator
Certificate III Early Childhood and Care

Tahlia Matthews (2:15pm-5:30pm)

Assistant Educator
Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood/Human Services)

All key staff hold current first aid certificates including asthma and anaphylaxis training.

Term Dates 2020

Term 1	Tuesday 28 January - Friday 3 April
Term 2	Monday 20 April - Friday 26 June
Term 3	Monday 13 July - Friday 18 September
Term 4	Tuesday 6 October - Friday 11 December



Payment Arrangement

Payments are made via a direct debit arrangement from your bank account either weekly or fortnightly, whichever best suits your financial situation. Payment via credit card is available either weekly or fortnightly on Thursdays only.

Enrolment Changes and Withdrawals

Two full weeks written notice is required for booking changes, cancellations and withdrawals, with the exception of an enrolment continuing into Term 4. Once you have commenced Term 4 you are committing to the entire term, up to and including the last week of the term. Re-bookings will be subject to availability and may incur a \$30.00 fee.

Late Fees

Our Centre closes at 5:30pm. Please be considerate to staff and ensure that you are ready to leave the Centre with your child by 5:30pm. Pick-ups after this time will be charged at a rate of \$45 for every 15 minutes or part thereof. If you are unexpectedly delayed and know you will be late, please let staff know as soon as possible so that they can assist you in contacting an alternate pick-up person and to avoid these fees. Children who are enrolled in our short day program and not collected by the end of the short day program, will be placed in our Long Day Care Program until collected. Long Day Care fees will be charged.

Excursions

The cost of excursions range between \$10-\$20. Parents are given prior notice and the fee (depending on the activity) will be added to your next account.

Public Holidays

As per normal practice in Australia, fees are charged on public holidays even though the Centre is closed, the only exception is if the Public Holiday falls on the first day of the school year.

Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

CCS is a single means-tested subsidy paid by the Government to the Centre for the purpose of reducing fees. The Government withholds a small percentage of your entitled CCS to ensure that you do not incur a debt due. Any amount owing will be refunded to you after Centrelink reconciles your account once you have completed your tax return.

Uniform Prices

We stock t-shirts and hats that children can wear as a uniform. They come in a variety of colours - red, blue, pink and purple in size 2, 4 or 6. As part of your enrolment you will be provided with two t-shirts and one hat. Additional t-shirts and hats can be purchased for \$15 each.