



Early Childhood Learning



Parent Information Pack 2019

KindiLink Program

KindiLink is a play-and-learn initiative for two and three-year-old children and their parent/carer to attend together.



Times

Times and dates are yet to be confirmed for 2019.

Child Session Requirements

Every child is required to bring a piece of fruit to share in the morning, enclosed shoes, hat and water bottle.

Aim

KindiLink focuses on developing the social, emotional, language and academic capabilities of our children. KindiLink aims to support children's development in the year before they start Kindergarten. The teachers who plan and deliver the sessions work alongside families to help them prepare their own children for successful transition to school.

Kindergarten

Welcome to Kindergarten at Carnarvon Community College. We are looking forward to an exciting year introducing your child to the school system. This pack contains important information about the set-up, routines and other aspects of how the centre operates. Please read this carefully and if you have any questions, we are only too happy to clarify any information.

Aims

Kindergarten has several goals for the year:

- a) to develop each child's social, emotional, physical and academic abilities.
- b) to develop each child's language and communication skills.
- c) to provide meaningful activities so each child is immersed in a positive learning environment.

Times

Group session times are scheduled as follows:

Monday, Tuesday & 8:20am - 2:30pm

Wednesday morning 8:20am - 11:10am

Wednesday afternoon, 11:40am - 2:30pm

Thursday & Friday 8:20am - 2:30pm

Doors open 10 minutes before and you are welcome to come in and participate in activities with your child. Please be prompt picking up your child at the end of the session but be aware the doors will not be opened to release students until 2.30pm.

School Contact Details

To contact the main office on Marmion Street, the number is 9941 1443. Please ring and let staff know if your child won't be attending school that day, especially if they are on the bus.

Child Session Requirements

Your child will need to bring some items to school for each session. Clearly label all your child's belongings to ensure they are returned should items become separated.

Bag Big enough to fit a lunch box, drink bottle, change of clothes (in case of accidents).

Food Recess: 10.30am - 10.50am: a piece of fruit and snack
Lunch: 12.50pm - 1.30pm: a sandwich or equivalent

+ There is a water fountain available for students in the playground.

* Snacks should be a healthy treat. Chocolate, chips, LCM's, roll-ups, lollies or other sugary foods will be returned home in the child's lunch box.

Kindergarten children will be able to purchase healthy lunch packs from the school canteen. Canteen menu will be available at the beginning of 2019.

Equipment and Charges

Carnarvon Community College provides a stimulating indoor and outdoor learning environment with a variety of equipment. Please leave your child's toys at home.

Uniform

There is no compulsory uniform for Kindergarten. It is recommended your child wears sensible clothing for playing and moving around in. Sun-smart clothing (t-shirt with sleeves and shorts or skirt) is also highly recommended. Sensible shoes, preferably sneakers or sandals are a must. Thongs, ugg boots, high-heels or 'dress-up' shoes are not encouraged. Children will not be able to ride the bikes without proper foot-wear. The other necessary item of clothing is a suitable hat. Our Sun Smart Policy is *Have Hat Can Play*. Students without a bucket style hat will play undercover on the verandah until they wear a hat during outdoor play times.

If you would like to purchase the school uniform these are available from the Marmion Street office or the canteen at Cleaver Street.

Uniform Prices List

Polo Shirts and Faction Shirts	\$ 25.00
Shorts	\$ 22.00
Track Pants	\$ 30.00
Jackets - Taslon	\$ 45.00
Hats	\$ 10.00
Zinna Skirts	\$ 23.00

Uniforms are for sale all year round.

Parent Help

We would love to have you visit our classroom before or after school to view your child's work and talk about activities or their day. If you would like to join in activities, from Week 3 there will be a voluntary parent roster timetable pinned up so please add your name to the appropriate day and time.

Bus

For parents with limited transport options, there is a bus available to pick up and drop off your child, however there are a limited number of seats. It can only sit 12 students so it will be the first 12 students who complete the form on their first day with the class teacher. The rest will be required to go on a waiting list, there will be no kindy bus on the first day of school. All parents/guardians will be required to bring their child on their first day as well as pick them up.

STEM Program

Carnarvon Community College Kindergarten, with another 99 schools across Australia, is taking part in the STEM project conducted by the University of Canberra in 2019. STEM is an integrated approach to teaching Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics by exploring the real world. The STEM project will be delivered via a series of digital applications, activities and workshops to create a play based learning environment rich in STEM practices. Further information will be available at the beginning of 2019.

Conclusion

There are a few extra pages included in this pack. Please fill in the student history to help us get to know your child.

We look forward to teaching your child this year. Please come in and talk to us if you have any concerns, would like to know more about extending your child's skills or just want to find out what happens each day.

Thankyou,

Kindergarten Staff



Student History Form

Preferred Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

How does your child feel about coming to school? _____

Which activities does your child like doing at home? _____

Is there anything s/he does not enjoy? _____

Can your child take care of their own dressing and toileting needs? _____

Is there anything else you would like to tell me about your child? E.g. food dis/likes,
behaviour, sleeping patterns, reactions if upset/hurt _____

Does your child have any diagnosed medical conditions or allergies and/or do they take any
medication regularly? _____

If yes, please provide more information _____

Has your child ever been referred to a speech therapist, occupational therapist,
physiotherapist or any other specialist? If so, which specialist and what was the focus of
sessions. _____

Do you have any concerns about your child's development? _____

If yes, please provide more information _____

Who are the members of your child's family? _____

Thank you for completing this form. If you have any questions, please come and talk to a
staff member.

Information provided by: _____ Date: _____