

ALDGATE KINDERGARTEN

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Welcome to Aldgate Kindergarten Playgroup! Our playgroup is suitable for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their parents and/or carers. The Coordinator is Vikki Mott (Early Childhood Worker employed by the Kindergarten) If you have any queries regarding playgroup outside of playgroup hours, she can be contacted via email kindy.director824@schools.sa.edu.au

Day and Time

Friday mornings during school terms from 9.00am to 10.30am

Playgroup SA Membership

Membership includes compulsory insurance.

If you have paid membership with another playgroup, you just need to show your Playgroup SA card at your initial visit.

If you would like to join Playgroup SA, please ask Vikki or one of the other Kindergarten staff for the membership form, which lists the relevant fees. Preferable payment options are directly to Playgroup SA by cheque, credit card or direct transfer. Cash payments can be paid to Vikki and the Kindergarten will have to send a cheque.

Fees

Cost is \$5 per week per family. This money can be placed in the container provided which is located near the attendance sheet. The fee covers the cost of tea/coffee and the use of the kindergartens resources.

Attendance Sheet

Please ensure you mark your name off when you attend, so that if an emergency arises we know exactly who is present and all can be accounted for. We would appreciate it if you could provide us with your email address so we can easily contact you with any playgroup news.

Tea/Coffee

Feel free to help yourself to tea and coffee. For safety reasons we prefer children remain outside of the kitchen area. If you remove your hot drink from the kitchen please use an insulated mug. ***Please be aware of where you leave your insulated mug to ensure children's safety***

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Facilities

Playgroup families are welcome to access all Kindy facilities, both inside and outside. However, for safety reasons, we ask that children do not help themselves to equipment from the outside shed. If you have any suggestions regarding specific activities offered at playgroup, we would love to hear from you. We will be placing an order very soon to replenish our resources for the younger children.

Snack Time

Snack time can be whenever your child is hungry. Please encourage them to sit while eating. We are trialing a change in routine...please see below.

NEW

Playgroup Routine

We like to keep the atmosphere at playgroup casual, although we do follow a rough schedule.

9am-10:10am: Parents and children enjoy and explore free play with activities around them.

Please encourage your child to eat their snack during this time.

10.10am: We appreciate the help of parents and children to pack up inside and outside.

10.20am: Children and parents/carers are invited to gather for a story and singing. Please join Vikki at the stage/amphitheatre when the weather is fine for this special time. To best encourage children to participate, we would prefer to avoid snacks at this time which can be a distraction and a choking hazard when children are trying to sing. Thank you!

10:30am: Farewell. First four weeks of term Kindergarten "Fun Friday" sessions begin at this time.

Kindergarten Policies

Health and Safety

As this kindergarten is a Sunsmart centre, all children and parents are reminded to wear a hat when outside in terms 1 and 4. Remember gumboots in winter for outside play!

Allergy Aware

Please ensure snack items brought to playgroup do not contain any type of nuts. If your child has any allergies, please advise the Coordinator, however your child's health and safety is your responsibility when at playgroup.

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Bushfire Action Plan
(Catastrophic Fire Ban
Days)



This kindergarten is closed on catastrophic fire risk days. Please note that it is your responsibility to check the CFS website for current warnings.

Please refer to our website to view all other policies and procedures.

Enrolling at Kindergarten:

Attending playgroup with your child is a fantastic way to become familiar with the centre and the teachers, and to develop a sense of belonging to the Kindy community. If you would like information about enrolling your child in Kindergarten, please enquire with the director, who is usually available during playgroup.

Children who will turn 4 prior to 1st May can start full term kindergarten (2 full days per week) in January of that year. Children who turn 4 from the 1st of May can start kindergarten in the following January. Children can attend 4 terms of kindergarten from terms 1-4.