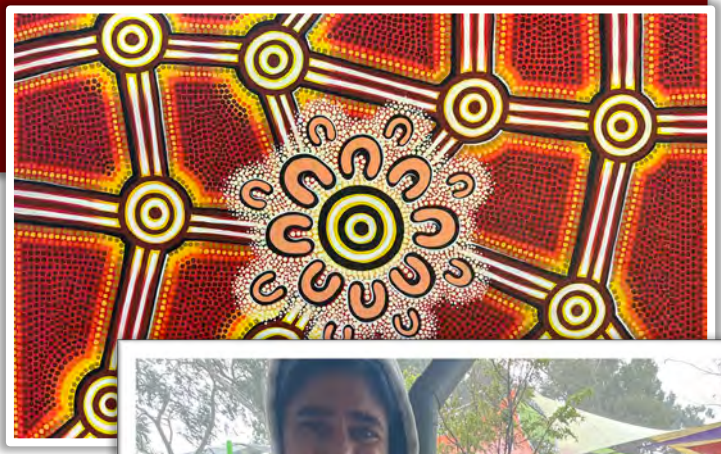
St Munchin's Catholic School, Gosnells

Parent Information



Pre Kindergarten 2026

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Welcome to Pre Kindergarten at St Munchin's Catholic School

We would like to welcome our students and families to the Pre Kindergarten program at St Munchin's Catholic School. We look forward to supporting your child's learning journey, in collaboration with you.

At St Munchin's Catholic School, it is our goal to provide a safe, warm and nurturing environment where your child will thrive and develop. We assist in the development of the whole child and we encourage each child's individual growth and progress.

Acknowledgement of Country

St Munchin's Catholic School acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation, the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which our school stands.

We pay our deepest respect to elders both past and present and those who will become elders for future generations.

We wish to acknowledge and recognise the strength and resilience and capacity of the Noongar people and the cultural significance and contributions Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders bring to our society.

Our Vision

St Munchin's Catholic School aspires to reflect the life and love of Christ for his people.

The Pre Kindergarten Program

Our Pre Kindergarten program is guided by The Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF). This framework assists us to design learning opportunities which are fundamental to young children's development. There are 5 Key Learning Outcomes;

- 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

We recognise that children learn most effectively through quality play experiences. Our program is carefully designed to provide purposeful and developmentally appropriate play opportunities. They reflect our beliefs about how children learn, and are a celebration of each child's uniqueness. During these experiences, children are actively engaged in developing language, social, emotional, physical, creative and cognitive skills. Play also gives students the opportunity to make meaning of the world and explore real life situations.

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General Information 2025

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Pre Kindergarten Staff

Teacher: Mrs Micaella Hancock

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Education Assistant: Marie Armstrong

Our Routine

Our Pre Kindergarten class is run on Thursdays.

Arrival is from 8:40am - 9:00am

Please wait outside the classroom door until we invite you in.

Dismissal is from 3:00pm.

If someone other than the parent/carer is picking up your child, please notify us before the end of the day either verbally or in writing. We will not release your child to an unauthorised person.

What to Bring and Wear Each Day

These are suggestions, please consider foods your child enjoys and will eat.

- Morning Tea – Fruit, vegetables, cheese, dried fruit, crackers, yoghurt, muesli bar, muffin etc. Please do not send lollies. It is easier but optional for morning tea to be packed in a separate container.

- Lunch – Sandwiches, wraps, quiche, salad, egg, cold meat etc. We encourage the children to eat the majority of their lunch before they play. It is easier but optional for lunch is to be packed in a separate container which is easy for your child to open independently. We encourage you to pack your child's lunch with an 'ice brick' to ensure food stays fresh.

- A drink bottle clearly labelled with your child's name, containing only water. Fruit juices or cordials are not permitted.

Please note: Whole nuts, nut spreads and nut bars are not permitted as they may contain allergens for some children.

- A change of underwear and clothes in the event of a toilet or messy play accident.
- A wide brimmed/bucket hat clearly labelled with your child's name. This will stay in your child's bag and be worn during outside play.
- If your child has an allergy to sunscreen, please supply your own. We have sunscreen in the classroom which will be applied to your child.
- Children are to wear comfortable clothing such as shorts and a tshirt. These are best for climbing, running and playing. Please don't send your child in clothes which may cause difficulty with toileting. For this reason, please avoid belts and clothing with buttons and zips. Joggers with velcro (not laces) or sandals should be worn. No thongs or rain boots please.

Personal toys are not to be bought to Pre Kindergarten. Loss, accidental damage and sharing amongst other children can cause distress.

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Seesaw

- Seesaw is an app we will use to share what your child is learning. Each child will get their own digital journal. Only you will be able to see your child's journal. Photos, videos and work samples will be added through the year. Seesaw can be accessed through a downloadable app on a phone or a tablet, or through a web browser on a computer.

- Further information about how to download and access 'Seesaw' will be communicated closer to the time your child will commence Pre Kindergarten.

How to Make Your Child's Transition to Pre Kindergarten a Success

One of the first things your child will need to learn is how to be away from his/her parents or primary caregiver. This may take some time. It is very important to us that your child feels safe and happy at Pre Kindergarten.

The following tips may help;

- Discuss Pre Kindergarten in a positive and non-threatening way.
- Be firm and positive when saying goodbye and leave quickly even if your child becomes upset. Always make sure you say goodbye before you leave. We will comfort your child and contact you if they do not settle.
- Always greet your child in a positive way at the end of the day.