



Nau mai, haere mai Welcome

Enrolment Information

Your child is starting Preschool on _____

Their sessions are _____

They will help you to settle your child and ensure you all become familiar with the Preschool environment.

Thank you for choosing East Taieri Preschool for the education and care of your child! We are a small not-for-profit community based Preschool that is run by a parent committee. We teach children from 2 1/2 years to school age. We understand that choosing an early childhood education centre for your child is an important decision and for many children it can sometimes be the first time they are away from family and friends. It is important to us that your family feels comfortable and secure right from the start. To make the transition from home to Preschool as smooth as possible we realise it's important that we work together, sharing information about your child that will help them settle. We look forward to sharing your child's early years with you and your family and whānau.

Our teachers:

Katharine Heath-Collins – Centre Manager: (M-F)

Julz O'Neill: (T, W, Th), Lyn Joyce: (M to Fri),

Lynette Cameron: (M, T, W, F), Paul Pearce: (M, W, Th, F)

Megan Jones (M, T, Th, F).

Jenny Brundell, Paula Beulink, Suzie Daniell & Julie Marshall
relieve and work part time on various days.

We also welcome student teachers to learn with us.

What do we provide?

- Afternoon tea everyday
- Sunhats
- Sunblock at lunch time for children staying all day
- Tissues
- Wipes for nappy changing.



Contact Details:

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E: manager@easttaieripreschool.co.nz

W: www.easttaieripreschool.co.nz

What do you need to bring?

- A named drink bottle (water only)
- A bag with a change of clothes (named)
- A coat for colder weather
- Depending on your sessions, morning tea and/or lunch
- Apply sunblock to your child before they arrive at Preschool
- A sunhat if your child would prefer to wear their own
- A warm hat.
- Nappies or pull-ups, if required.

Please let us know if your child is going to be away for any reason. Thanks

Where can I find ...

- Sign in sheet & toileting chart are on the front desk
- Profile books – check with a teacher as we move them sometimes
- Art file – on the bench in the art room
- Bag hooks – they are not named; your child can choose where to hang their bag
- Lost property – we have a basket in the middle of the two rooms for shoes & clothes or we hang clothing outside.
- Notices & fees invoices – each child has a named pocket opposite the front desk
- More information – check the noticeboard at the front door, become our friend on Facebook and join Storypark
- Parent help details – have a look on the noticeboard for the roster
- Anything else? Please ask, we are here to help 😊

Session Times

Morning: 8 or 8.30 am – 12.30

Afternoon: 1 – 3.15

Full day: 8 or 8.30 – 3.15

Regular weekly events:

Tuesday - School Readers:

A group of children come from East Taieri School to read to us and join our learning.

Wednesday - Library time:

A small group of children go to the school library, choose books and listen to a story.

Thursday – Bush Day:

A small group of children go to Camp Waiora to explore learning in the bush.

Your child will be invited to join these groups when a space becomes available depending on their age, booking and other factors.

OVERVIEW OF DAILY ROUTINES

- 7.45 am** The teaching team arrives, set up, and prepare inside and outside curriculum areas.
- 8.00 am** Morning session begins. Children, parents/whānau arrive and are greeted by the teaching team. There are opportunities for brief sharing of information with families and children settle in to experiences provided.
- 9:45 am** Tidy up time and mat time followed by karakia kai & morning tea. Your child will be in one of 3 mat time groups: Mini Matters, Mat Time or Ako group. Morning tea is at 10 am.
- 10:20 am** Children choose experiences to be involved in.
- 12.10 pm** Tidy up time. The children staying for a full day have lunch; children going home have mat time. There are opportunities to share information and give feedback to parents/whānau on their child's day.
- 12.30 pm** The morning session ends. Children who have stayed for lunch have quiet time then a shared story.
- 1.00 pm** The afternoon session begins. Children, parents/whānau arrive and are greeted by the teaching team. There are opportunities for brief sharing of information with families and children settle in to experiences provided.
- 2.10pm** We have a rolling afternoon tea of fruit & water. Children choose when they will come to eat.
- 2.30 pm** Children choose experiences to be involved in.
- 3.00 pm** Tidy up time followed by coming together in a circle to sing songs. There are opportunities to share information and give feedback to parents/whānau on their child's day.
- 3.15pm** The afternoon/full day session ends. The teaching team clean up and prepare for the following day.

Please note all times are approximate except for session start and finish times



We have recently received the Gold Active Movement award and the Healthy Heart Pā Harakeke Award, both of which recognize the importance we place on healthy eating and daily physical activity.