

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Primary School
empowers all students through knowledge, faith and wisdom to live
fulfilling lives in our
ever-changing world.

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Educational program
for

Three year old children

Welcome to our Program for 3-Year-Olds

Our Lady of Grace School offers a developmentally appropriate program designed specifically for 3 year old children.

To be part of this exciting program your child **must have** celebrated his or her third birthday.

Registration for prospective participants is by means of a enrolment application, available from the school office or on the school website.

Please ensure that you read the following carefully:

- o Acceptance into the 3 year old program does not mean automatic acceptance into our K-6 program.
- o Children may join the program any time **after** they have celebrated their 3rd birthday.
- o The program will consist of two sessions each of two and three quarter hours. Session times will be 8.45am to 11.30 am. The full day session will be from 8.45am to 2.45pm.

The sessions are:

- o Tuesday and Friday morning
- o Wednesday all day
- o Thursday all day

Class sizes will be no more than 20.

The program is planned and lead by an early childhood teacher and a teacher assistant.

There is the expectation that parents will support the program through a Parent Roster.

Fees will be paid one term in advance once full term participation is occurring.

The Program

The 3-Year-Old Program offers an age-appropriate program that is supported by the Early Years Framework. This program is play-based and aims to develop the 5 learning outcomes of the Early Years Framework through developmentally appropriate activities. These outcomes are as described:

- i. Children have a strong sense of identity,
- ii. Children are connected with and contribute to their world,
- iii. Children have a strong sense of wellbeing,
- iv. Children are confident and involved learners and
- v. Children are effective communicators.

Our play based program for three year old children fosters specific competencies related to academic and social success – these are the precursors to later educative and life success.

- i. The development of representational competence – use of imagination to represent objects, people and ideas.
- ii. The development of oral language and narrative understandings.
- iii. The development of positive approaches to learning – as identified previously.
- iv. The development of logic – cause and effect, classification, ordering, quantity and problem solving.
- v. The development of self regulation and social negotiation – sharing, turn taking, planning imaginative play, listening to others and dealing with frustration.

These are all life skills that enable a child to progress through all stages of growth and development.

Our Lady of Grace School's program for three year olds fosters the development of:

Enthusiasm

Curiosity

Commitment

Persistence

Confidence

Cooperation and

Reflexivity.

We hope to see you soon!