

## Early Start Kindergarten

### Street Address

To find a local early start kindergarten use the links below:

/> <http://ifp.mychild.gov.au/mvc/Search/Advanced#preschoolSearchCriteriaDiv>

/> <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/findaservice/Home.aspx> or contact your local council

### Additional Sites

Finding the right service: Australia has recently developed a National Quality Framework (NQF) for children's education and care including long day care. As part of this, there is a national register which rates services against 7 national quality areas. This may help families assess the quality of approved education and child care services across the country. The registers are regularly updated to ensure information is accurate and current. The information can be found

at: <http://www.acecqa.gov.au/national-registers> Other helpful websites include: mychild

<http://ifp.mychild.gov.au/mvc/Search/Advanced#preschoolSearchCriteriaDiv> or

/> Department of Education and Training

/> <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/childhood/parents/kindergarten/Pages/choosing.aspx>

### Phone

1800 809 834

### Email

[edline@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:edline@edumail.vic.gov.au)

### Website

[www.education.vic.gov.au](http://www.education.vic.gov.au)

### Additional Age Info

The child must be 3 years by 30 April in the year they will be attending kindergarten

### Eligibility Criteria

Priority given to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) children Priority given to families who have had contact with child protection or have been referred to child protection by ChildFIRST

### Service Area

Bayside City Council, City of Kingston, City of Glen Eira, City of Port Phillip, City of Stonnington

### Hours

Mon to Fri 9am - 12 pm and 1pm - 4.30pm<br /> Contact kindergarten directly for their service information

### Drop In Service

Not Appropriate

### Outreach

Not Appropriate

### Service Description

Provides free or low cost kindergarten to eligible children.

### Participation Type

Not Appropriate

### Staff Profile

Qualified staff

### Staff Languages

Not Appropriate

### Interpreters

Not Appropriate

### Who Can Refer

Anyone

### Costs

No Costs - Applications for Early Start Kindergarten funding are made by the service and the grant is paid directly to the service

### Disability Access

Not Appropriate

### Service Type

INDIVIDUAL

### Service provider

Department of Education and Training (DET)

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