

# PEAK HILL PRESCHOOL KINDERGARTEN INC.

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## Fees for 2023

<b>Membership</b> to join Incorporated Association – paid once only	\$1.00 + GST
<b>Annual membership</b> to Inc. Association - paid yearly in Term 1 fees	\$2.00 + GST
<b>Early drop off / Late pick up</b> - \$15 for the first 15 minutes for early drop off or late pick up, and \$1 per minute every minute thereafter	\$15

<b>FEE Categories</b>	<b>Term Fee</b>
<p><i>Note: Children can only receive one subsidised rate. If your child is eligible for more than one category, the category with the greatest fee relief will be applied. Discounts can NOT be added together</i></p>	
<p><b>Year prior to school - 4- 5-year old</b> (<i>At least 4 years old on or before the 31 July</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3 days a week (18 hours)</b></li> <li>• These are funded preschool places for children in the year prior to school and are funded by the Department of Education's Start Strong program which recommends a minimum enrolment at preschool of 15 hours per week OR</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$337.50 per term</b> (3 days a week)</p>
<p><b>Equity Children for 3 - 5-year-old</b> (<i>At least 3 years old on or before 31 July</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3 days a week (18 hours)</b></li> <li>• These are funded preschool places for children who are 3 – 5 years old and from Aboriginal and/or low-income families, and are funded by the Department of Education's Start Strong funding program which recommends a minimum enrolment at preschool of 15 hours per week (A copy of current Health Care Card or Pension card from low income families must be provided upon enrolment)</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$333.90 per term</b> (3 days a week)</p>
<p><b>3 year old Non-Equity Children</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3 days a week (18 hours)</b></li> <li>• A small amount of funding is received from the Department of Education for 3-year old Non-Equity children (not Aboriginal and/or not from low-income families) to attend preschool under the Department's Start Strong program <u>Children from the above funded categories (Year prior to school and Equity categories) have priority of access over 3-year-old Non-Equity children in accordance with DEC funding terms and conditions.</u></li> </ul>	<p><b>\$543 per term</b> (3 days a week)</p>
<p><b>2 year olds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ATTENDANCE IS CAPPED AT 1 DAY PER WEEK FOR 2 YEAR OLDS (DAY TO BE ADVISED)</li> <li>• <b>No funding is received from the Department of Education for 2-year old children to attend preschool</b></li> <li>• <u>Children from the above funded categories (Year prior to school, Equity and 3 year old non-equity) have priority of access over 2 year old children attending preschool in accordance with DEC funding terms and conditions.</u></li> </ul>	<p><b>\$50 per Day</b> (1 day a week ONLY)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CASUAL DAYS - subject to availability. Child must be enrolled and already attending the preschool.</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>\$20 per day</b></p>

## **Important Information about Fees:**

The Department of Education, through the Early Childhood Education and Care Directorate, provides funding as a contribution towards the cost of providing a preschool program. Fees are necessary because there is a shortfall between the level of government funding and the cost of operating a viable preschool.

No departmental funding is provided for 2-year old children regardless of their background, and only a small percentage of funding is provided for 3 year olds who are NOT Aboriginal or NOT from a low-income family.

Peak Hill Preschool Kindergarten Inc. relies on prompt payment of fees and all parents/guardians must pay fees. The Management Committee has the discretion to withdraw children from the service for non-payment of fees.

### **Fees are not refundable.**

## **Methods of Fee Payment:**

The following payment options are available:

- Centrepay payments if you receive Centrelink payments
- Direct deposit into our bank account, making a note of your child's name:

**Peak Hill Preschool Kindergarten Inc., BSB 032 834 Account Number 176703**

- Cheque or money order made payable to Peak Hill Preschool Kindergarten Inc.
- Cash payments made on a regular basis under a payment plan

If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the Preschool Director to discuss a payment plan.

**Unpaid Fees:** Families are given 4 weeks to pay fees after Term fee invoices have been issued. Fees not paid by the due date will be followed up by:

- A late fee notice will be sent to families requesting payment.
- If payment is not received, or an agreed payment plan has not been drawn up, the family will be contacted by telephone to discuss the outstanding fees and a payment plan may be developed
- If the fees are not paid, or a payment plan is not adhered to, and no further discussion is held with the Director, the child's position at the Preschool will be cancelled.

**The Management Committee reserves the right to take legal action to recover debts.**

**Child Absence:** Fees are still payable to the Preschool even if the child is absent for any reason, including holidays and illness. Families CANNOT swap days to make up for a day/s their child has missed

**Casual Days:** Casual days are subject to availability (depending on the current number of children enrolled and those present on the day casual place is required).

**Cancellation of enrolment:** The Director must be given two weeks' notice if a child's enrolment is to be cancelled, otherwise two weeks fees will be charged in lieu of attendance.

**\*\*\*Enrolment will be cancelled after 4 weeks of unexplained absences**

*For more information please refer to the Preschool's **Payment of Fees Policy and the Priority of Access Policy** available at the Preschool.*