

WEST WIMMERA SHIRE COUNCIL

**Dear Families** 

# **Re: Kindergarten Enrolments for 2021**

Please find links for individual kindergartens via KidsXap below to fill out the enrolment form for kindergarten in 2021. If you have a child who will be attending 3 or 4 year old Kindergarten in 2021 please ensure all information is filled out correctly and all required documentation is submitted. An email will be sent once complete which will confirm your child's enrolment.

#### **CURRENT ENROLMENTS**

Children previously enrolled in 3 year old kindergarten in 2020 do not need to re-enrol however it is your responsibility to ensure the current details on KidsXap are correct and updated immunisation history statement and medical plans are uploaded or emailed to <u>earlyyears@westwimmera.vic.gov.au</u>

### **NEW ENROLMENTS**

https://edenhopekindergarten.kidsxap.com.au/enrolmentform https://gorokepreschool.kidsxap.com.au/enrolmentform https://kanivakindergarten.kidsxap.com.au/enrolmentform

#### PREVIOUS WWSC KIDSXAP ACCOUNT HOLDERS

If you had a previous child enrolled on KidsXap at a West Wimmera Shire Council kindergarten you will need to add the new enrolment through your established KidsXap account. After logging in through the links below - go to dashboard - manage families - children – Add child in waiting list (red tab)

> https://edenhopekindergarten.kidsxap.com.au https://gorokepreschool.kidsxap.com.au https://kanivakindergarten.kidsxap.com.au

Note: It is best to use a computer as there are often issues with trying to enrol on Ipads or mobile phones. Any issues logging onto KidsXap contact 1300 543 792

Children are eligible to attend 4 year old Kindergarten if they turn four before 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Children are eligible to attend 3 year old kindergarten if they turn three before 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. <u>Children need</u> to wait until they have turned 3 before they can commence in the three year old program however are still able to submit an enrolment form. Payment will be required to secure a place and credited to the term your child commences.

I encourage you to speak to the kindergarten teacher regarding when to start your child at kindergarten. We work closely with our local schools to support all children in the progression from 3 year old kindergarten, 4 year old kindergarten and then to school. We encourage parents to plan ahead and start their children at a time when they will thrive rather than cope. This may mean holding your child back a little longer rather than sending them to kinder just because they meet the cut-off age. Government funding contributes to the cost of 3 and 4 year old Kindergarten for the two years prior to school. While it is sometimes possible to receive funding for a second year, this is becoming increasingly difficult and strict criteria must be met. Please speak to us if you have any doubts.



## **KINDERGARTEN SESSSIONS & FEES**

Our kindergartens are planning the following sessions for 2021. Please note these sessions will be dependent on enrolment numbers and staffing and are subject to change.

Location	Group	Days	Times
GOROKE	3 & 4 year old kindergarten	Monday & Wednesday	8:30am – 4:00pm
EDENHOPE	3 & 4 year old kindergarten	Tuesday & Thursday	8:30am – 4:00pm
KANIVA	3 & 4 year old kindergarten	Monday & Thursday	8:30am – 4:00pm

 Kindergarten fees for 2021 are \$320 per term. In 2021 kindergarten fees will not increase in the understanding of exceptional circumstances - Covid-19 Pandemic – impacting financial pressures on families. Government funding subsidises a portion of three and four year old kindergarten fees in the two years prior to school for 15 hours a week at West Wimmera Shire. In order to secure your child's place in a kindergarten program, please fill out the enrolment form correctly and ensure all required documentation is attached or emailed to <u>earlyyears@westwimmera.vic.gov.au</u>

You will receive an invoice via KidsXap once your enrolment is confirmed.

### No child will be eligible to commence kindergarten if required

documentation has not been received.

You must provide a copy of your child's birth certificate, up to date immunisation history statement, medical management plan (if applicable) and Health Care Card (if applicable).

#### **BUS TRAVEL**

If your child will be traveling in 2021 on the bus please visit your school to arrange school documentation for bus travel. You will also need to fill out and return the **WWSC Bus Travel Authorisation Form** available on this website.

No child will be eligible to travel via bus until forms are received, signed off and confirmed by the Nominated Supervisor of the service.

An **Individual Traveller Bus Risk Assessment form** will need to be completed once enrolments are confirmed and bus travellers identified.

Please also ensure you fill out **<u>Parent Education and Employment details on KidsXap</u>**. This informs our School Readiness Funding amounts to enable additional government resourcing to our kindergartens.

Documentation can be returned via upload on KidsXap, posted, dropped at either customer service office or emailed to <u>earlyyears@westwimmera.vic.gov.au</u>

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact any of our kindergartens:

Edenhope Kindergarten: ph. 5858 1571 Mobile 0448 769 816 edenhopekindergarten@westwimmera.vic.gov.au

Goroke Preschool: ph. 5386 1113 Mobile 0448 955 923 gorokekindergarten@westwimmera.vic.gov.au

Kaniva Kindergarten: ph. 5392 2671 Mobile 0448 785 317 kanivakindergarten@westwimmera.vic.gov.au

Regards

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