



Playhouse
Parent and Childcare Centre

Pre Kindy – Quokkas

3 years to 4 years

Information Sheet

Playhouse has been operating our pre kindy room for over 30 years, with a program that enriches their little lives. Pre kindy is a wonderful year of language development, exploration, finding comfort in a playgroup environment and making new friendships before kindergarten starts. Our Quokkas room is staffed by a highly experienced Lead Educator and Assistant with further support from full-time float staff.

Orientation

We offer three days of orientation free of charge, time for you and your child to settle in and spend time together in your new home with us. Gain comfort within the Playhouse service and familiarise yourself with our practices.

Support and nurturing for our pre kindy children

In this room, we follow each child's learning journey very closely. We have a chat book for families to use, which helps us learn about what your child does at home. We love to follow the interests of the children when planning activities. Our routine is relaxed, flexible and allows for spontaneous and planned experiences both indoors and outdoors. Our educators work with each child to instil confidence in their ability. We're proud to support their growth and development with our special program.

Life as a Pre-Kindy Quokka

It's an exciting time to be a pre-kindie child at Playhouse. At this age, dramatic play begins to emerge, and we see friendships form, with discussions around 'best friends'. Children form groups and find common interests. Our open-ended resources help to encourage and support their limitless creative imaginations.

Pre kindy learning activities

We incorporate the following activities to foster holistic learning and development in pre kindy:

- Exciting incursions on campus, like feeding the ducks, turtles and eels, and visiting the UQ museum
- Share-based activities like cooking, woodwork and art
- Environmental and sustainability activities, such as collecting water to put on the plants
- Dramatic play
- Projects that centre around a particular interest of the month
- Reading fiction and non-fiction books
- Group learning and discussion time