COURAGE TO QUESTION

THE EARLY YEARS

ARLINGTON
Nestled in the heart of our Junior School is the Preshil kindergarten, where 3 and 4 year olds share the day together in an integrated indoor and outdoor program. Our team works to provide a multi-aged program matched to the needs of each child as they develop and learn in their own way, and as part of the group. Our Nursery School children are seen as capable and able to construct their own ideas. In addition to the specialist programs in French, Art, Library, Music and Creative Dance, the children have “buddies” from the junior school.

“I like having buddies. Sometimes we go to their class and sometimes they come here.” Tom, Nursery School
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PLAY

The Nursery School play-based program is drawn from the interests of the children, their enthusiasm for exploration and their natural curiosity for learning. We recognise the value and richness of play as a catalyst for children’s learning. Through their play, and small group projects, the children’s questions, thinking, development, and creativity is nurtured and supported by their teachers.

“You get to do art and play dress-ups - you get to play your own games”
Annabel, Nursery School

TRANSITION TO 5s PREP

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OUR TEACHERS

Our Nursery School offers an exceptional program led by our highly experienced staff. We recently achieved an overall ‘exceeding the national quality standard’ rating in all 7 quality areas as part of The National Quality Framework Assessment.

EXTENDED

The Preshil Nursery School offers Extended Care from 8:00 to 8:50am and from 3:15 to 6:00pm. Both programs are located within the Nursery School grounds. Children can attend on a casual or regular basis.

“You feel at home at Preshil.”
Griffin, Nursery School

PLAYGROUP

At our Playgroup, little hands, minds and emotions are all active simultaneously, giving value to the unique expression and creativity of each child. In a warm and loving environment, through unrestricted play, baking, craft, games, stories, dance, music, song and a shared meal, your little ones will have the opportunity to be part of our vibrant Preshil community.

PRESHIL VISION STATEMENT

At our core remains an unshakeable commitment to encouraging all children to progress at their own pace towards their own goals and to be respected as individuals in their own right. This means a commitment to our children to be nurtured and challenged in an atmosphere that inspires creativity and independent thinking in all areas of life and does not, overtly or subtly, use competition or punishment to motivate through the fear of failure. As global citizens we encourage an awareness of world issues and encourage effort to make a positive difference. We believe that education should prepare students to be thoughtful, peace-loving and active citizens of the world. Preshil will remain a school that puts kindness, compassion and social relationships at the centre of its operations.

If you would like to learn more about the Nursery School, Playgroup or Extended Care at Preshil, please join us for a school tour. These are held at Arlington, the Junior Campus, at 395 Barkers Road, Kew. Please register your intention to attend by contacting the school Registrar, Cressida Batterham-Wilson.

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