Learning through having fun

Opening Hours

The Early Learning Centre is open from 7.30am - 6pm each day. It is closed on weekends and public holidays.

Summer Uniform

Uniform Shop
Blackfriars ELC polo shirt and bucket hat.

External Purchase Guidelines
Black shorts/skort, black or white sandals or sneakers and white socks.

Winter Uniform

Uniform Shop
Blackfriars ELC rugby top and beanie.

External Purchase Guidelines
Black trackpants, black or white sandals or sneakers and white socks.

Early Learning Centre Services

2017 Program Fees

Kindergarten Program

Hours: 8:30am-3:00pm $81.00 per day

Extended Hours Care

Morning: 7:30am-8:30am $12.00 per session
Afternoon: 3:00pm-6:00pm $22.00 per session

Blackfriars ELC is registered for the Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate.

Services are offered 50 weeks per year for children aged 3-5 years.

Holiday Program

Hours: 8:00am-6:00pm $70.00 per day

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About us

'Every child is competent'
'Every child is unique'

Professor Carla Rinaldi (Reggio Emilia) as Thinker in Residence, Adelaide 2013

At Blackfriars Early Learning Centre (ELC) we firmly believe that these two key concepts are the focus of our teaching and learning. We build on your child's individual strengths, skills, abilities and interests in a safe and caring environment. All children are supported to develop persistence, resilience, curiosity and a love of learning. We build happy, confident and capable life-long learners.

Blackfriars ELC encompasses the Reggio Emilia approach to young children's learning, whereby children are encouraged to explore, investigate and discover through play. Teachers are co-learners, guides and partners in the child's learning. Parents are a vital component to the Reggio Emilia philosophy and as such are viewed as partners, collaborators and advocates for their children. This approach to teaching young children puts the natural development of children as well as the close relationships that they share with their environment at the centre of its philosophy. The Early Years Learning Framework is also used as a curriculum tool in the programming, implementing, evaluating and reporting process. Both approaches focus on the development of relationships: teacher to child, teacher to parent, and child to child as of the utmost importance in the day to day education and care of our children.

Blackfriars ELC offers an integrated play-based curriculum for all children aged 3-5 years. Being a part of the Blackfriars school community offers us the unique opportunity to access specialist staff and facilities in the areas of Music, Art, Drama, PE, ICT, Languages and the Sciences.

Programs offered

'Children explore, investigate and discover through play'

Our co-educational integrated programs are tailored to the individual needs of our youngest learners. An inquiry based approach, including learning through play; investigation and exploration, allows 3 and 4 year old children to have the ability to pursue their individual interests and our staff to cater to their specific needs.

Time:
8:30am – 3:00pm
Extended Hours Care is available outside of these hours.

3 year olds:
Sessions offered: 2 - 5 day options are available

4 year olds:
Sessions offered: 3 - 5 day options are available

Starting at the ELC:
Children must be 3 years of age to commence. Placements are offered in Term 2 to commence in Term 1 the following year and then in Term 4 for a Term 3 start the following year.
Once placements have been offered a waiting list is then compiled and positions are offered as they become available.

For further information regarding the ELC and the programs offered please contact the ELC Director.

Each child's abilities are nurtured in a safe and caring learning environment