LITTLE LEAPERS LEAP AHEAD

School Readiness, Literacy & Social Thinking

Two Pre-Prep Programs -2021, 2022 & 2023

Little Leapers focuses on setting your pre-school child up for success in all areas of school readiness. This program is best suited to children in their 2nd year of 4 year old kinder. It caters for small groups of children – no more than 22 in a group. Facilitated by Keryn Johnson – over 25 years teaching experience specialising in special needs, social skills, literacy and the early years, including pre-prep - and other expert educators. Classes are held at Montmorency Children's Centre (Petrie Park). We offer two programs: <u>Core</u> (one day per week) and <u>Extended Core</u> (3 days per week).

Core Program

- One day per week during the school term: Monday
- 4 hours per day; Monday: 12.30pm 4.00pm
- Literacy Lessons, including access to Little Learners Love Literacy Program, that is recommended by Dyslexia Australia's as a preferred way to teach children how to read
- Oral language lessons, including expressive, receptive and pragmatic language
- Numeracy Lessons
- Fine motor skills lessons
- Gross motor skills/core strength lessons
- Some access to our SEAM program (Social Emotional and Mindfulness)
- Some access to extra-curricular activities such as gardening, science, Indigenous Studies and sustainability
- Individual scrapbook that goes home fortnightly so parents know what is covered in class and see ongoing progress
- Group learning stories/portfolio
- 15 minutes of playtime per day
- 15 minutes for snack time per day (snack provided by child's own parents)
- Access to regular parent newsletters
- Two to Three experienced staff and 16 to 20 children
- Non-funded program
- \$75/day, non-negotiable and full payment required upfront before the start of each

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Extended Core Program

- Three full days: Tue, Wed. & Fri. 9.30am to 3.00pm during school terms
- Literacy Lessons, including access to Little Learners Love Literacy Program, that is recommended by Dyslexia Australia's as a preferred way to teach children how to read
- Numeracy Lessons
- Access to Leap Ahead Learning's SEAM (Social and Emotional and Mindfulness) program covering Social Skills using the' We Thinkers'/'The Incredible Flexible You' program and the 'Second Step' program along with access to daily Mindfulness/Resilience sessions including yoga incursions, meditation, gratitude, kindness and empathy
- Happy Helping Hands fine motor skills program
- Daily oral language program; with a focus on expressive, receptive and pragmatic language use
- Access to Explore Time our structured and developmental individualised enquiry play-based learning program
- Developmental Show and Tell (increases with complexity as oral language skill levels increase)
- Library and Reader Access
- Regular extra-curricular activities such as gardening, science, Indigenous Studies and sustainability
- Weekly Japanese LOTE program delivered by a qualified and Government approved teacher
- Access to parent resource library
- Individual scrapbook sent home weekly that documents progress
- Two to four staff for 16 to 22 children
- 40 minutes of playtime per day, including access to outside toys and bikes
- 40 minutes for snack and lunch times per day (food provided by child's own parents)
- Yoga, Mini Maestros Music Program, Little Sports Heroes incursions and excursions included in fees
- Group learning stories/portfolio
- Individual learning stories/portfolio and art portfolios
- Regular parent newsletter
- Funded program
- Access to Government agencies such as Preschool Field Officers and funded additional assistants
- Detailed ongoing assessments and full Transition Reports for school are written for each child
- Individual Learning Improvement Plan for each child to enable differentiated and individual assistance and a Parent-Teacher Interview
- No need for fund-raising, parent committee, kinder duty or working bees (parents are involved through other methods)
- An extra 90 minutes per week of classes compared to 'regular' funded kinder
- \$55/day, non-negotiable and full payment required upfront before the start of each term