

## Early Years Whānau Centre



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## Programme and organisation

The Early Years Whānau Centre (EYWC) in Christchurch runs a number of different individual and group sessions on Monday to Thursday mornings for both children and their families to attend together.

### Our aim

To build foundations for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children and their family/whānau to enable them to become capable, confident communicators and learners.

### Daily programme sessions

#### 9.30am - 10am: Individual sessions

A Teacher of the Deaf or Speech Language Therapist works 1:1 with child and their parent/caregiver to meet communication goals.

#### 10am - 12pm: Group sessions

Group Sessions are planned using Te Whāriki and allow children to experience a range of activities including:

- Art/craft activities
- Story and music/movement mat times
- Interacting with other Deaf/Hard of Hearing children, siblings and children of Deaf adults

#### 12pm - 12.30pm: Individual sessions

### Days of attendance

Days and times of attendance for each child are decided in consultation with parents/whānau and Early Years Whānau Centre management. Availability of times and days may depend on numbers of children enrolled, and the availability of staff.



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## What we offer

### Activities and sessions may include:

- Support and guidance for understanding your child's language development
- Strategies for supporting language acquisition
- An introduction to Deaf culture, the use of visual communication and NZSL
- Audiology support and guidance to understand your child's hearing levels
- Participation in the Early Years Whānau Centre's regular group sessions with other Deaf/Hard of Hearing preschoolers
- Meet and connect with other parents of Deaf/Hard of hearing preschoolers

## Enrolment process

### Arranging pre-enrolment with:

- Deaf/Hard of Hearing children and whānau may visit with their Advisor on Deaf Children
- Families with CODA may contact the centre directly to arrange a pre-enrolment visit
- To arrange a visit, contact Tina Harrison at [tina.harrison@kotakureo.school.nz](mailto:tina.harrison@kotakureo.school.nz). M: 027 228 0470

## Where to find us

### Monday

Prebbleton Plunket  
3 William Street  
Prebbleton

### Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday

Early Years Whānau Centre  
Ko Taku Reo Sumner Campus  
38 Truro Street,  
Sumner  
Christchurch