

Early Years Whānau Centre



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Programme and organisation

The 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 C.O.D.A may contact the centre directly to arrange a pre-enrolment visit
- To arrange a visit, contact Tina Harrison at tina.harrison@kotakureo.school.nz. M: 027 228 0470

Where to find us

Monday/Wednesday

Prebbleton Plunket
3 William Street
Prebbleton

Tuesday/Thursday

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