

MILKWOOD STEINER SCHOOL

Milkwood Steiner School is a non-denominational, independent, co-educational school offering the nationally accredited Steiner curriculum.

At Milkwood, we cherish childhood and educate for excellence, inspiring the academic and personal growth of students from Kindergarten to Class 7.



**EDUCATING THE
WHOLE CHILD-
HEAD, HEART, HANDS**

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PLAYGROUP



Milkwood's beginnings were as a Playgroup and they continue to nourish our families. Playgroups are the best way to become familiar with Steiner education, build a community with like minded families and provide an example to your children of how to work in community.

Our aim is to create a peaceful haven for a child's development to naturally unfold, where both parent and child can experience the joy of meaningful connections.



Milkwood Playgroups are for children 0-4 years of age and their parents or care-givers.

We offer 2 Playgroups which run during the school term.

Playgroup 1: Wednesdays 9.00am – 11.00am

Playgroup 2: Thursdays 9.00am – 11.00am

Our program is play-based with rhythmical qualities incorporating songs, stories, rhymes and seasonal festivals.

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Morning Rhythms

9-9.15am/ Arrival: Parents and children have time to greet each other and settle into Playgroup.

9.15am/ Morning Circle:

Season circle songs and rhymes.

9.30am/ Morning Tea:

A shared morning tea of fresh fruit and herbal tea.

9.45am/ Breadmaking:

The children make a bread roll and are encouraged to engage in imaginative, inside play.

10.00am/ Outside Play and Craft:

A time to play outside with friends and enjoy the natural environment.

10.20am/ Warm, Fresh Bread to Eat:

The children eat their freshly baked bread with butter and honey.

10.45am/ Story Time:

Children sit on the mat for seasonal finger rhymes and a story.

11.00am/ Goodbye Song

Enrolments:

Enrolments are made prior to the start of each school term. Enrolment forms and information are available through the school.

Playgroup fees:

When your child is offered a place in one of our Playgroups, a term fee will apply.

The term fee must be paid up front before the first Playgroup session to confirm your booking.

Term fee: \$195 / family.

What to Bring:

To each Playgroup session, please bring along:

- a piece of fruit to share for morning tea
- a sun hat

Parent Roles:

To create a nurturing, safe and joyous playgroup, both parents and playgroup leader work together.

A vital aspect of this is when parents support the Playgroup Leader to 'hold' the rhythm of the Playgroup. One practical way for this to take place is in the singing of the transition songs and being mindful of the aims and qualities of the Playgroup program.

