

Kindergarten Mythbusters

What is the truth about starting Kindergarten?

Myth: Registering early is crucial to secure a spot.



Busted! Kindergarten registration isn't first-come, first-served. If we get more requests than available kindergarten spots, they are allocated through a ballot system to allow for fair and equitable access however, a priority of access criteria* exists.

Myth: My child needs to be toilet-trained for kindergarten.

Busted! Your child can attend kindergarten regardless of their toilet training status. Teachers are there to support your child's development.



Myth: Kindergarten isn't for everyone.

Busted! 3 and 4-year-old kindergarten is inclusive and all children are welcome to enrol. Programs are responsive to the individual interests, abilities and needs of children, including children with a disability, developmental delay or complex medical needs.



Myth: Kindergarten is expensive.

Busted! Kindergarten is FREE. It offers 15 hours of play-based learning per week for eligible 3 and 4-year-old children.



*For more information visit moorabool.vic.gov.au/kindergartens

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Myth: There's only one type of kindergarten.



Busted! Kindergarten can be offered as long or short days, and can be offered through long day care as well as standalone/sessional centres. You can contact your local centre to see what they have on offer.

Myth: You'll lose your kindergarten spot if you take a holiday.

Busted! Once your child is enrolled their place is secure, even if you take a break.



Myth: Strict lunchbox rules apply at kindergarten.

Busted! Standalone/sessional kindergartens often allow a wide variety of parent-packed lunches. Pack what your child loves!



Myth: Speaking another language at home hinders English learning.

Busted! Kindergarten fosters a welcoming environment where children naturally pick up English alongside their home language.



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