North East Regional Pre School Association

2027 Kindergarten Registrations

For 2027 enrolments, initial registrations will close on Friday 26th June 2026

Submit your Registration Form online at: www.nerpsa.com.au

Enquiries can be made at:

Email: admin@nerpsa.com.au
Phone: 5721 2755
Address: 52 Burke Street, Wangaratta

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Refer to the Enrolment timeline over the page or on the NERPSA website for dates.

If you do not receive the outlined information by any of the specified dates or have any questions, please contact us.

Who is NERPSA?

North East Regional Pre School Association (NERPSA) is the licensee of the following fourteen early years education and care services:

Appin Park Kindergarten, Bernard Briggs Kindergarten, Chiltern Kindergarten, Chiltern Long Day Care, Christopher Robin Kindergarten, Coronation Kindergarten, Glenrowan Kindergarten, James Tilson Kindergarten, Moyhu Kindergarten, Munro Avenue Kindergarten, The Hub Kindergarten, Wangaratta West Kindergarten, Whitfield Community Child Care, Whorouly Kindergarten

NERPSA is the umbrella organisation for these services and is overseen by a skills-based Board of Management made up of family and community representatives. It ensures all legal, financial and professional responsibilities are adhered to and maintains strong relationships with Regulatory Bodies, Department of Education, Councils and other associated bodies.

Committees also exist at many services which provide opportunities for families to engage in fundraising, build connections and contribute to their early childhood education and care community.

2026 Enrolment Timeline

Date Due	Activity	What do I need to DO?
Monday 18th May 2026	Registrations Open	Please fill in the Registration form online to make sure your child is registered correctly. N.B. Please ensure you have attached a copy of your child's Australian Childhood Immunisation Register Statement as well as copies of concession cards (if applicable).
Friday 26th June 2026	Registrations Close	All Registration forms for 2027 enrolments need to be returned to NERPSA by this date.
Monday 27th July 2026	First round offers of kindergarten places will commence by email	Check all email folders including SPAM folders for a 1st round place offer.
Friday 14th August 2026	Completed Forms returned to NERPSA to secure kindergarten places for 2025	Fill out and return forms to NERPSA by this date.
Friday 18th September 2026	For Kindergartens running multiple groups, information regarding session times will be forwarded by the individual Kindergarten to parents during this time.	Services to email families advising which group their child has been allocated into.

Although we aim to adhere to the times provided, changes may occur due to staff shortages, technical issues, or required adjustments to session times.
Thank you for your understanding.

2027 - Dates to Remember

Term 1:	28th January 2027 – 25th March 2027
Term 2:	12th April 2027 – 25th June 2027
Term 3:	12th July 2027 – 17th September 2027
Term 4:	4th October 2027 – 17th December 2027

School Terms:

Please Note: The first two weeks of Term One will be a staggered start at each Kindergarten

Public Holidays:

Australia Day:	Monday 26th January 2027
Labour Day:	Monday 9th March 2027
Easter:	Friday 26th March - Monday 29th March 2027
Anzac Day:	Sunday 25th April 2027
King's Birthday:	Monday 14th June 2027
Melbourne Cup Day:	Tuesday 2nd November 2027

KINDERGARTEN SESSION TIMETABLES – 2027

APPIN PARK KINDERGARTEN (Appin St, Wangaratta)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 YEAR OLDS WILLY WAG TAILS 9.00 am – 2.00 pm	3 YEAR OLDS WILLY WAG TAILS 9.00 am – 2.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS RED ROBINS 8.30 am – 4.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS RED ROBINS 8.30 am – 4.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS RED ROBINS 8.30 am – 1.30 pm

BERNARD BRIGGS KINDERGARTEN (72 Church St, Benalla) *Combined 3-year-old & 4-year-old

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BANDICOOTS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	BANDICOOTS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	BANDICOOTS 8.30 am – 11.30 am	BILBIES 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	BILBIES 8.30 am – 3.00 pm
		BILBIES 12.30 pm – 3.30 pm		

CHILTERN KINDERGARTEN (55-57 Main St, Chiltern)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 YEAR OLDS INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN 8.30 am – 4.00 pm OPENING HOURS 8.00 am – 6.00 pm	3 YEAR OLDS INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN 8.30 am – 4.00 pm OPENING HOURS 8.00 am – 6.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN 8.00 am – 4.00 pm OPENING HOURS 8.00 am – 6.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN 8.00 am – 4.00 pm OPENING HOURS 8.00 am – 6.00 pm	

CHRISTOPHER ROBIN KINDERGARTEN (Merriwa Park, Wangaratta)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4 YEAR OLDS POSSUMS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS POSSUMS 8.30 am – 11.30 am	4 YEAR OLDS KOOKABURRAS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS POSSUMS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS KOOKABURRAS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm
	4 YEAR OLDS KOOKABURRAS 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm			

CORONATION KINDERGARTEN (40 Swan St, Wangaratta)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4 YEAR OLDS GREEN 8.00 am – 4.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS GREEN 8.00 am – 4.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS BLUE 8.00 am – 4.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS BLUE 8.00 am – 4.00 pm	3 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.00 pm

GLENROWAN KINDERGARTEN (Old Hume Hwy, Glenrowan)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.20 pm	4 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.20 pm	4 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.20 pm	

JAMES TILSON KINDERGARTEN (58/60 Burke Street, Wangaratta) *Combined 3-year-old & 4-year-old

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BLUE GROUP 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	BLUE GROUP 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	BLUE GROUP 8.45 am – 11.45 am	RED GROUP 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	RED GROUP 8.30 am – 3.00 pm
		RED GROUP 12.45 pm – 3.45 pm		

MOYHU KINDERGARTEN (1 Byrne St, Moyhu)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	3 YEAR OLDS 4 YEAR OLDS 8.30 am – 2.30 pm	3 YEAR OLDS 4 YEAR OLDS 8.30 am – 2.30 pm	4 YEAR OLDS 8.30 am – 2.30 pm	OCCASIONAL CARE 9.00 am – 2.00 pm

**MUNRO AVE KINDERGARTEN (14 Munro Ave, Benalla) ***Combined 3-year-old & 4-year-old

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BLUE WRENS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	BLUE WRENS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	BLUE WRENS 8.30 am – 11.30 am	RED ROBINS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm	RED ROBINS 8.30 am – 3.00 pm
		RED ROBINS 12.30 pm – 3.30 pm		

THE HUB KINDERGARTEN (Burke St, Wangaratta)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 YEAR OLDS 9.15 am – 2.15 pm	3-YEAR-OLDS 9.15 am – 2.15 pm	3 YEAR OLDS 9.15 am – 2.15 pm		

WANGARATTA WEST KINDERGARTEN (2A Orkney St, Wangaratta)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 YEAR OLDS KOALAS 8.45 am – 1.45 pm	3 YEAR OLDS KOALAS 8.45 am – 1.45 pm	4 YEAR OLDS TURTLES 8.45 am – 3.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS TURTLES 8.45 am – 3.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS TURTLES 8.45 am – 3.00 pm

WHITFIELD DISTRICT EARLY YEARS (6182 Mansfield-Whitfield Rd, Whitfield) *Combined 3-year-old & 4-year-old

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LONG DAY CARE 9.00am – 3.45pm INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN 9.00 am – 3.45 pm	LONG DAY CARE 9.00am – 3.45pm INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN 9.00 am – 3.45 pm	LONG DAY CARE 9.00am – 3.45pm INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN 9.00 am – 3.45 pm	LONG DAY CARE 9.00am – 3.45pm	LONG DAY CARE 9.00am – 3.45pm

WHOROULY KINDERGARTEN (10 Church St, Whorouly)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.00 pm	4 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.20 pm	4 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.20 pm	4 YEAR OLDS 9.00 am – 2.20 pm	

NERPSA Enrolment Policy Summary

ATTACHMENT 1 – General enrolment procedures for funded kindergarten programs

Registration For A Place

- NERPSA will determine the period during which registrations are able to be received for offer of places in the funded kindergarten programs for the following year.
- A separate registration form must be completed for each child, and for each proposed year of attendance at the service.
- To facilitate the inclusion of all children into the program, the registration form should clearly identify any additional or specific needs of the child (refer to *Inclusion and Equity Policy*).
- Registration forms are to be completed online on our website www.nerpsa.com.au
- Access to completed registration forms will be restricted to the person responsible for the enrolment process and staff at the service, unless otherwise specified by NERPSA.
- Registrations will be entered on the waiting list using the eligibility and priority of access criteria.
- Registrations received after the closing date will be considered if there are available places, and after all other applicants have been offered a place, in line with the eligibility and priority of access criteria of NERPSA.

Offer of Places

- Places will be offered in writing via email to applicants in accordance with the eligibility and priority of access criteria of the service. Confirmation of places is not final until an up to date ACIR Immunisation History Statement has been received, assessed and found acceptable. As well as any up to date Medical Management Plans and Court Orders related to the child enroling in a kinder program.

- NERPSA requires parents/guardians who have been offered a place to provide an up to date ACIR Immunisation History Statement for assessment two months prior to the child first attending the service in order that a confirmed place can be offered.

- Parents/guardians who **do not** have an up to date ACIR Immunisation History Statement and whose child is **not** eligible for the grace period are unable to commence at a service until acceptable documentation is provided.

- Parents/guardians who do not wish to accept the offer of a place, or intend to withdraw their enrolment, are requested to notify NERPSA in writing as soon as possible.

- An enrolment form and other relevant information will be provided by NERPSA to the parent/guardian when a kinder place has been offered via email.
  ~ Where the individual service provides more than one funded kindergarten program, places within the programs will be allocated by the individual service after confirmation of acceptance of a place.

Eligibility And Priority Of Access Criteria For Funded Kindergarten Programs

The following children are eligible for attendance in funded kindergarten programs:

- Children who turn three years of age by 30th April in the year they will attend funded three-year-old kindergarten (two years before they attend school). **A child must have turned three before beginning to attend the service**

- Children who turn four years of age by 30th April in the year they will attend funded four-year old kindergarten (one year before they attend school)

  NOTE: For children born between 1st January and 30th April, parents have a choice about whether they commence school in the year they turn five, or in the following year when they turn six.
  They can therefore choose whether they commence four-year-old Kindergarten in the year they turn four or the year they turn five and three-year-old Kindergarten in the year they turn three or the year they turn four

- Children who have been approved to receive funding for a second year of three-year-old or four-year-old kindergarten

- Children turning six years of age in their year at kindergarten who have been granted an exemption from school-entry age requirements by their regional office of the DET (Refer to DET Victorian Kindergarten policy, procedures and funding criteria)

- Children who are younger than the eligible age, but whose parents/guardians have submitted a written request for their child to attend school the following year to their regional office of the DET, or the non-government school their child will be attending (a copy of the written request and DET approval must be attached with the registration)

  NOTE: Parents/guardians are to be advised that very few requests are approved by DET. If the child attends kindergarten early, but does not proceed on to school the following year, the child will be unable to access another year unless they are funded by DET for a second year

- Three-year-old Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and children known to Child Protection have an ability to attend up to 16 hours a week of a funded early childhood program planned and delivered by a qualified early childhood teacher (Early Start Kindergarten program).

First priority of access is given to:

- Children at risk of abuse or neglect, including children in Out of Home Care

- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander children

- Children with additional needs

- Children eligible for the Kindergarten Fee Subsidy

Second priority of access is given to:

- Children who have received funding for a second year of Kindergarten

- Children who have had siblings attend their preferred Kindergarten

- Children whose nearest kindergarten to their place of residence is a rural kindergarten (Glenrowan, Moyhu, Whorouly and Chiltern will be given priority of access to that rural kindergarten).

Remaining places will be allocated by ballot.

Exceptional circumstances that require consideration beyond the eligibility and priority of access criteria should be made in writing and will be reviewed by NERPSA on a case-by-case basis.

NOTE: Priority of Access guidelines are to ensure that kindergarten programs are available to those children who stand to benefit the most from attending early education. In mixed age groups, guidelines will equally

prioritise three and four-year-old children for first priority of access. Where programs for three- and four-year old children are provided separately, the priority of access criteria will be applied separately for each age cohort.

Immunisation information

- In order to be offered a place at a Kindergarten, Victorian legislation which commenced on January 1, 2016 requires that a child must be:

    - Fully immunised or up-to-date according to the Immunisation Schedule Victoria; or
    - On a catch-up vaccination schedule; or
    - Has a medical condition preventing them from being vaccinated.

- An immunisation status certificate will be required to accompany the Registration Form in order for the enrolment to be considered. The required certificate from the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) can be requested at any time by contacting Medicare:

    - Phone 1800 653 809
    - Email acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au
    - Visit the Medicare website
    - Visit your local Medicare office

- If the required certificate is unable to be provided, options will need to be discussed with NERPSA as to the enrolment registration. If a child's next vaccinations are due up to two months before Kindergarten commences, a new immunisation status certificate is required to be provided to NERPSA before the child is able to commence.