

13 June 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians

UPDATED FEE INCREASE FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Thank you for choosing Greater Shepparton City Council Children's Services to support your child's education and care. In all that we do, the children in our services are our highest priority as we support them and their families to have the best possible start in life. We acknowledge the families as the child's first teacher and commit to providing current information about our service and opportunities for feedback in order to improve our practices.

As we are coming to the end of this financial year, leading into the new financial year, we are advising of changes to fees in the new budget. Council are in the process of adopting, in principle, the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for the 2023-2024 financial year. On approval of the 2023/2024 budget by Council, we wish to advise the fees and changes as outlined in the following are effective from Monday 3 July 2023:

Long Day Care – commencing 3 July 2023:

Arthur Dickmann Childcare Centre		
- Long Day care		\$130.00 per day
Frank R Pullar Childcare Centre		
- Long Day care		\$130.00 per day
Nancy Vibert Occasional Childcare Centre		
- Long Day care		\$130.00 per day
- Occasional Care Session		\$52 per four hours
Mooroopna Children's & Family Centre		
-Long Day Care		\$130 per day

Kinder and Wrap Around Care (\$13 per Hour):

6 Hours Kinder plus up to 4 hours of Child Care total of 10 hours per day	\$52
5 Hours Kinder plus up to 5 hours of Child Care total of 10 hours per day	\$65
3 Hours Kinder plus up to 7 hours of Child Care total of 10 hours per day	\$91

Aquamoves Occasional Care – commencing 3 July 2023

Member 1 child per hour	\$ 7.50 per hour
Non-member/user 1 child per hour	\$ 9.00 per hour
Occasional Care per hour	\$12.00 per hour

Rural Occasional Care – commencing 3 July 2023:

5 hour session	\$43.50
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Family Day Care Fee Levy:

Parent Levy	\$24.50 per child per week
Educator Levy	\$22.50 per week

4 year old Kindergarten / 3Year old Kindergarten January - December 2024

4YO Kindergarten	No Annual fee	Wrap around care charges if required
3YO Kindergarten	No Annual fee	Wrap around care charges if required

If you would like to provide feedback, please forward your comments to council@shepparton.vic.gov.au. Further information is available via the Council website, www.greatershepparton.com.au

If Council makes any alterations to these fees, further notification will be sent to you four (4) weeks prior to their implementation in any of our children's services.

It is a requirement of enrolment at all Council Children's Services that families complete a Direct Debit form. Any outstanding fees will be withdrawn on the last Wednesday of each month. Payment options are listed on family invoice statements.

Please speak to your Service Leader for information on how these charges may affect you directly.

FEE INFORMATION - LONG DAY CARE SERVICES ONLY

The following conditions apply at Arthur Dickmann, Nancy Vibert, Frank R Pullar Children's Centres and Mooroopna Children's & Family Centre.

Fees will not be charged for the following service closure days at our long day care centres:

- When the service is closed over the Christmas/New Year period
- Children's Services professional development days – where the service is closed.
- If the service is closed due to a State Government declared Code Red Day
- Service closures due to staffing shortages

FEE INFORMATION - FAMILY DAY CARE ONLY

Individual contractor's schedule of fees is available from the Family Day Care Independent Contractor.

Yours sincerely

Sally Rose
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