# 4 YEAR OLD



(Maroondah Integrated Kindergarten's Association)

CENTRAL ENROLMENT SCHEME

FOUR YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN

**YEAR 2019** 

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## MAROONDAH INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN'S ASSOCIATION INC. YEAR 2019 FOUR YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

This information is for **four year old** kindergarten only. For information about three year old for 2019, please refer to the three year old information. PLEASE NOTE THAT ATTENDANCE AT A CENTRE FOR THREE YEAR OLD DOES NOT GUARANTEE PLACEMENT AT THE SAME CENTRE FOR FOUR YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN. A child cannot receive an offer of a place for both three and four year old for the same year.

Children applying to attend four year old in 2019 must reach the age of **four years by April 30, 2019**, **i.e. born on or before April 30, 2015**, and who will start school in 2019. When completing an application, please select only from the kindergartens listed on page five. Please ensure that you fill the form out correctly and attach all the required information. **The closing date for applications is June 30, 2018**.

#### POINTS TO NOTE WHEN COMPLETING THE ENROLMENT FORM

**Eligibility:** Government policy allows funding for **ONE YEAR** of kindergarten per child in the year prior to school entry. If you enrol your child for kindergarten for 2019, and then defer your child until 2020, you do not need to re-enrol, your enrolment application and enrolment fee are automatically carried forward.

#### **NO JAB, NO PLAY**

#### **Victorian Law**

The Victorian Government has amended the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*. The amendments mean that early childhood education and care services cannot confirm enrolment of a child unless the parent/guardian has provided documentation that shows the child:

- is fully vaccinated for their age, or
- is on a recognised catch-up schedule if their child has fallen behind with their vaccinations; or
- has a medical reason not to be vaccinated.

'Conscientious objection' to vaccination is not an exemption under the new legislation.

If your child's immunisations have been delayed or if they have received vaccinations overseas, please contact Maroondah City Council's Immunisation Services on 1300 88 22 33 to develop an immunisation catch-up schedule.

For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.maroondah.vic.gov.au/Community-support-services/Immunisation">http://www.maroondah.vic.gov.au/Community-support-services/Immunisation</a>.

The criteria for placement of children who apply by the closing date are:

- (a) Satisfy the requirements of the NO JAB, NO PLAY law (proof documentation must be provided with your application, and again to the kindergarten where your child accepts a position).
- (b) 1st Preference, and

Where a kindergarten receives more applications than available places i.e. is oversubscribed:

- (c) Children enrolling under the Government's **Priority of Access Guidelines** (see below), will be placed at their 1<sup>st</sup> preference kindergarten.
- (d) Proximity applicants who live geographically closest to the kindergarten (and who are or will be residents of the City of Maroondah in 2019, or who reside in a Municipality whose boundary with the City of Maroondah is within one kilometre of the kindergarten), will be placed first. **Proof of residential address must be supplied with your application**, see below.

**Applications received after the closing date** will be placed in order of receipt **after** all on time applicants are placed, subject to availability of places.

#### **Priority of Access Guidelines**

Children who enrol under these guidelines include:

- Children at risk of abuse or neglect, including children in Out-of-Home Care
- Early Start Kindergarten (known to Child Protection or Child First) or Access to Early Learning
- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Children
- Asylum Seeker and Refugee Children
- Children eligible for the Kindergarten Fee Subsidy
- Children with additional needs, defined as children who:
  - i. require additional assistance in order to fully participate in the kindergarten program
  - ii. require a combination of services which are individually planned
  - iii. have an identified specific disability or development delay
- Multiple birth (triplets or more)

Care should be taken when nominating preferences. **Nominate up to three kindergartens** which are appropriate for you and your child. Please keep in mind the placement criteria above when making your choices. Although every effort is made to place your child at one of your preferred kindergartens, this may not always be possible.

In the event of a multiple birth, please complete a separate application for each child. Only one enrolment fee is required (see below).

If your child has **additional needs** that may require extra support from kindergarten staff, please indicate this in the space provided on the form. Children with additional needs must enrol through the MIKA Central Enrolment System. Please attach supporting documentation from qualified professionals if you are enrolling under the **Priority of Access Guidelines**. Supporting documentation includes a referral from the National Disability Insurance Scheme, an Early Childhood Intervention Service, Preschool Field Officer or Maternal and Child Health Nurse.

Parents with concerns about their child's needs may wish to obtain extra information from the local kindergarten teacher or the regional Children's Services Adviser.

#### **OFFER OF PLACES**

You will be contacted by the MIKA Central Enrolment Office by e-mail on 1 August, 2018 as to the outcome of your application. Your letter of offer will include further information regarding the centre your child has been allocated to. Upon receipt of this offer, you may need to pay a non-refundable deposit per child to the kindergarten your child will attend. Details of this will be attached to your offer. Failure to respond to this offer, or pay the deposit within the required time line, will result in the loss of placement.

Group allocation is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the kindergarten you will be attending. This information may be advised in your offer or at a later date by the kindergarten.

#### PROCEDURE FOR ENROLMENT

The **closing date for 2019 four year old enrolments is June 30, 2018.** Please complete your application online at <a href="https://www.mika.org.au">www.mika.org.au</a>, including:

- (a) **Proof of Immunisation** eg. Immunisation Status Certificate from the Australian Immunisation Register (<a href="https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/enablers/immunisation-history-statement#a1">https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/enablers/immunisation-history-statement#a1</a>);
- (b) **Proof of age** eg. Immunisation proof can double as proof of age, or provide a copy of the child's birth certificate/extract or passport;
- (c) **Proof of residential address** (only a **recent** gas, electricity or water account is acceptable and this information will remain confidential, rates notices will not be accepted)
- (d) A \$27.00 (non-refundable, but transferable) Enrolment Fee, payable to "Maroondah Integrated Kindergarten's Association Inc.". If you are enrolling under the Priority of Access Guidelines, the enrolment fee is waived. This information will remain confidential. This charge covers the cost of administration of the MIKA central enrolment scheme and is not a deposit for kindergarten fees.

Application for enrolment, including proof of immunisation, age and residential address, the enrolment fee (if applicable) and copy of current Health Care Card/Pension Card, must be received by MIKA Central Enrolments by no later than JUNE 30, 2018. No enrolment will be accepted unless all the above information is supplied.

Should you have any concerns regarding the administration of the Enrolment Policy, or require further clarification of the process, or would like to suggest any improvements, please write to the Management Committee. Letters can be addressed to PO Box 3237, Nunawading, 3131.

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## MAROONDAH INTEGRATED KINDERGARTEN'S ASSOCIATION INC. FOUR YEAR OLD MIKA CENTRAL ENROLMENT SCHEME

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NO.	MELWAY MAP REF.
Arrabri Kindergarten	Allambanan Drive, Bayswater North	9729 7583	65 B 1
Barngeong Kindergarten	Cnr Bambra St & Lee Ann Cres, Croydon North	9726 0671	37 D 10
Bayswater North Kindergarten	17 Wonthulong Drive, Bayswater North	9720 8872	51 D 12
Brentwood Park Kindergarten	Mandowie Crescent, Croydon	9723 3230	51 D 2
Croydon Central Kindergarten	216-218 Mt. Dandenong Road, Croydon	9723 1854	50 K 4
Croydon Gums Kindergarten	22 Frederick Street, Croydon	9725 0498	51 A 7
Croydon North Kindergarten	90 Bonnie View Road, Croydon North	9726 9246	37 B 8
Ellie V Pullin Pre-School	30 Tortice Drive, North Ringwood	9876 4251	35 K 12
Greenwood Park Kindergarten	5A Greenwood Avenue, Ringwood	9870 8881	49 H 9
Heathmont East Pre-School	4A Pleasant Drive, Heathmont	9729 4762	50 D 12
Heathmont Pre-School	41 Viviani Crescent, Heathmont	9870 5581	64 A 1
Kurboroo Kindergarten	75 Bemboka Road, Warranwood	9879 0407	36 D 9
Lipscombe Park Kindergarten	Sandgate Avenue, Croydon	9723 2456	36 F 12
Maroondah Pre-School	16 Evon Avenue, Ringwood East	9870 2874	50 D 5
North Ringwood Pre-School	70 Lockhart Road, North Ringwood	9870 5418	49 G 3
Norwood Pre-School	18 Notlen Street, Ringwood	9870 4360	49 H 6
Oban Pre-School	6A Holyrood Crescent, Ringwood North	9876 3540	50 B 2
Pinemont Pre-School	29 Hygeia Parade, Ringwood North	9870 3582	49 E 6
Pinjarra Kindergarten	83 Eastfield Road, Croydon South	9723 2816	50 G 7
Ringwood Uniting Pre-School	2 Greenwood Avenue, Ringwood	9870 1707	49 H 9
St John's Kindergarten	9 Toorak Avenue, Croydon	9723 4119	50 J 3
Tarralla Kindergarten	38 Gracedale Avenue, Ringwood East	9729 9731	50 E 10

If you are unsure of your closest kindergarten please refer to the MIKA website, <a href="www.mika.org.au">www.mika.org.au</a>, or contact the MIKA Central Enrolment Office on 0449 997 488.

**PRIVACY:** MIKA is committed to the privacy principles prescribed by the Information Privacy Act. The information provided on the attached form is collected to provide an enrolment service to member kindergartens. The form will be passed on to the kindergarten (or Early Years Management team) your child attends and may be accessed by teachers and committee members. Non identifying data will be used for statistical information. Your information will not otherwise be disclosed except as required by law. **If you have any queries, please phone the MIKA Central Enrolment Officer on 0449 997 488.**