

# Our Purpose To profoundly enrich the lives of our children and their families

# Welcome To AppleBerries

Here at AppleBerries Noosaville, we strive to not only understand and guide your child's development, but too recognise your child's emerging heart and spirit. Educators at AppleBerries are committed to supporting the discovery of your child's unique personality in all of its richness and depth.

Our Educators act with genuine positivity, pride and energy and go out of their way to deliver exceptional Education and Care that goes above and beyond the ordinary. We acknowledge that all children have the right to feel as a unique, respected and valued part of an intricate and diverse family.

Our service offers children a spacious and contemporary learning environment with endless opportunities to learn, discover, create, explore and imagine through play. At AppleBerries, learning and fun become one!

AppleBerries dreams to provide a safe, secure, sanctuary filled with love, laughter and learning for all children and their families.

We are a home away from home for children and their families!

-Donna, Service Manager



# Our Programs

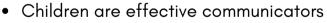
AppleBerries Early Education Service Noosaville offers a renewed approach to education that works at catering for the emotional, physical, cognitive and spiritual needs of each child in their care.

Through our programs we prepare children for life and nurture the children at all ages to live happily together as members of a diverse community. They learn acceptance and understanding of all people and beliefs.

We encourage positive friendships with one another through tolerance and understanding.

The program at AppleBerries Early Education Service Noosaville is guided by the Early Years Learning Framework and the Queensland Kindergarten guidelines. It identifies five Early Years Learning and Development Outcomes for all children:

- Children have a strong sense of identity
- Children are connected with and contribute to their world
- Children have a strong sense of wellbeing
- Children are confident and involved learners





## Room Structure

Our Centre is approved as a Long Day Care Centre for a maximum number of 150 children per day aged between 6wks to children turning 6yrs (school age).

Nursery 1: 6 weeks -12 months

Nursery 2: 12-15 months

**Toddler 1:** 15 months -2 years

**Toddler 2:** 18 months -2.5 years

Junior Kindy 1: 2-2.5 years

Junior Kindy 2: 2.5-3 years

Pre-Kindy 1: 3-4 years

Pre-Kindy 2: 3-4 years

Kindy: 4-5 years

We are fortunate enough to have several rooms, this allows us the opportunity to overlap age groups to allow children the flexibility of time to develop their needs in accordance with developmental milestones and educational goals for their wellbeing.

Each child is assessed through our Educational curriculum and that assessment is shared with families. Collaboratively we make an informed decision together which anticipates each child's movements/placement within the service. We foster our decisions based on several factors that put the child's development and wellbeing as the first priority.

AppleBerries Early Education Service Noosaville is open Monday to Friday between the hours of **6.30am** and **6.30pm** up to 51 weeks per year.

We are closed on all public holidays.



### Fee Structure

Normal **fees are payable** a week in advance. This ensures that you are always paid for the current week plus two weeks; being in advance at all times. Our preferred payment method is direct debit, a no cash policy applies.

We offer a holiday discount of 25% off your fees. Please give **two weeks notice** in writing and your account must be in advance to receive the discount. This will ensure that you retain your booking. This is available for up to four weeks in every calendar year. All fees need to be up to date to receive your reduction.

Because your child occupies a Permanent booking at the Centre, fees are payable for all booked days including absences, whatever the reason.

# Daily Fee

Our daily fee is \$135 for children under 3 years of age, and \$133 for children over 3 years of age.

### Our daily fee is per child and includes;

- Nutritious meals
- High-quality nappies
- All your wipes
- Sunscreen
- Hats
- 4-5-year-old funded kindergarten program
- Educational programs for children of all ages



# Childcare Subsidy

To make Child Care Subsidy (CCS) claims and view the status of your claims, families can go to my.gov.au and sign in to access their Centrelink online account. If you do not have a myGov account, you can create one and link it to your Centrelink online account.

Your CCS will be paid from the date of **approval** with Centrelink. If your child attends before your CCS is approved you may be required to pay full fees as CCS will not be backdated by Centrelink. If for any reason you are not eligible for CCS payments, you will be charged full fees for days that your child attends.

In order to receive CCS, parents must sign every child in and out **EVERYDAY** they attend the Centre.

To receive CCS for a child's absence, a record must be made of the reason for the absence. Upon your child's return to the centre please confirm and accept the electronic absence on the Kiosk and provide your medical certificate to the Service Manager if applicable.

If you are new to the Childcare Subsidy System (CCS), this link will provide you with some further information:



# Join Us On Storypark

Our Educators and Teachers use the Early Years Learning Framework and the Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guidelines to make informed curriculum decisions to support your child's emerging interests, ideas and development.

Our learning programs aim to empower your child to express ideas and make choices about their learning. Your child's learning journey is recorded and shared, with you, via storypark.

We encourage you to use the platform to reflect on and contribute to your child's learning. You will be invited to access your child's online learning profile. Once you have accepted the invitation, you will be able to invite any family or friends to join the community.

Check it out here:

www.storypark.com/au/families/





# Our Philosophy

At AppleBerries Noosaville, we value an environment based on learning through play, inspiring curiosity and encouraging explorations that develop into meaningful interactions among peers and educators.

We endeavour to create an environment that includes natural materials in order to foster respect for nature and encourage children to make their own discoveries and theories.

We embrace Australia's multicultural society and value the role played by families and parents; we use open communication with reciprocal and responsive relationships with each child's family. With these beliefs interwoven into our daily practice, we strive to support young minds to have the great imagination and creativity to enable them to become lifelong learners.

Children are encouraged to learn through experience and participation, allowing opportunities for problem-solving and risk-taking. Our educators assist children in developing high self-esteem, cooperating with others and showing mutual respect for one another.









# Our Values

#### I Push The Boundaries

### (innovative and adaptable)

I go above and beyond in everything I do. I work smarter today then I did yesterday. If a door closes, I find a way to get through the window.

### I Am The Real Me (integrity)

My choices are guided by a profound desire to leave everyone and everything better off than when I found them.

Every action I take comes from a just and caring place.

I always tell the truth, especially when it may be difficult to do so.

### I Do What I Say I Will Do (accountable)

I deliver on what I promise.

My word is my bond. I take responsibility for my actions and the outcomes. You can absolutely count on me.

### I Am Passionate

### (determination)

love what I do because I make a difference in the lives of others.

When faced with a challenge I dig in and try harder

When I am faced with a roadblock, I get excited because I know I am on the verge of a breakthrough.

### I Give From The Heart

### (nurturing and compassionate)

Our children are our family and family always come first.

I am patient and present with those in my

I protect, nurture and grow the little minds I care for.

