



Pre-Primary

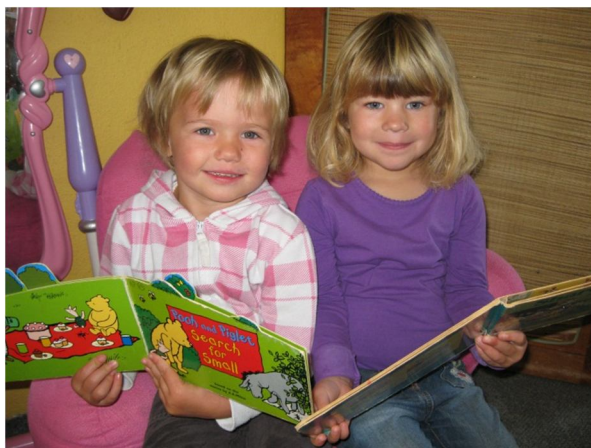
Applewood's Pre-Primary consists of three classes – Grade 000 (Apple Pips), Grade00 (Busy Bees) and, for logistical purposes, Grade R (Clever Cats). Each class has a fully qualified senior teacher and an Early Childhood (ECD) qualified teacher's assistant.



Teachers are available in their classrooms from 07:30 each morning to receive children and answer any parent queries. Formal learning begins at 08:00 and continues until 12:30 when children may be collected or can be cared for by our Aftercare staff. Weekly extra ballet, Kindermusik or Playball lessons commence after school. Because Playball and swimming are compulsory for all Grade R children, this takes place weekly during the course of the school day. Additionally, Audiblox, a perceptual training programme, is also included in Grade R.

Through play, investigation and directed activities we aim to empower children to develop their physical, intellectual, personal, emotional and social potential. Outings also form part of our programme where children explore alternative places of interest and learning with their teachers. An annual drama production is scheduled for the latter part of the year where communication, rhythm, imagination, inter- and intrapersonal skills are encouraged.

Two 45 minute supervised free play sessions take place during the morning. Children may choose to play outside in the garden, in the creative playroom, fantasy playroom or in the cognitive playroom, all resources being made available to all children.



These are supervised by our three teachers and their assistants on a rotational basis. As a committed provider of quality independent education, we endeavour to equip our children with knowledge, skills, values and attitudes of an age appropriate level following the guidelines described by the Independent Schools Association (ISASA).

