

# Kids Kingdom

PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE

Jesus said, Let the little children come to me... for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

*(Luke 18:16)*



# A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

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Dear Dads and Moms,

Welcome to the Kid's Kingdom Pre-School Centre.

Our staff consists of myself, Suzana (Suzie) Maree as the Principal.

Eleanor Kerkman is our School Secretary.

Ronèl Reinhardt and Rebecca Maree are our Grade R teachers in the Wise Owls Class (5 - 6 year olds).

Audrey Classens is our Busy Bees Class teacher (4 - 5 year olds).

Karen Olivier is our Butterflies Class teacher (3 - 4 year olds)

Heather Lienbenberg is our Toddler and Teddy Bear class teacher (18 months - 3 years old) with Nosipho Hondile as her assistant.

The Aftercare staff consists of Cherie Gouvias and Christina Khoaseb.

Other staff consist of:

Monika Fuchs is our in-house cook.

Albertina Hondile, Thembile Zikhali, and Juliea Oewies are our cleaners. Juliea will also be assisting in the baby class in the mornings.

Please don't hesitate to chat with me concerning any matters about your child or the school that are not clear to you.

We are available as teachers and Eleanor as our Secretary, to assist you at all times. We aim to make this time in your little one's life special, rewarding, and successful. The well-being, safety, and happiness of each pupil at Kid's Kingdom is our highest priority.

We are excited about our school and what it has to offer your child. We love working with children and do so as a calling from the Lord.

I look forward to being of service to you and working with you to ensure that your child's time at Kid's Kingdom will be a happy and fruitful experience.

Yours sincerely for the children,

**SUZANA MAREE (PRINCIPAL)**

**THE KID'S KINGDOM CODE**

1. To teach them to love God and the World He made.
2. We are here to give your child a happy time.
3. We are here to love and care for your child.
4. To educate your child, i.e. prepare them for formal learning.
5. To teach your child values that will be part of his/her character right through life.
6. To help mold your child.
7. To introduce them to new areas of learning which will help them develop new skills.
8. To introduce them to a new world of playing, and of learning through play.
9. To treat each child as an individual and to respect their differences.
10. To discipline, if necessary. (time out)

"Antiques are our heritage but children are our future."

"Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not turn from it."  
(Proverbs 22 vs 6)

REGULATIONS TO ASSIST YOU AND YOUR CHILD1. HOURS AND TERMS

Normal school hours are 08h00 until 12h30. We are, however, open from 07h00 in the morning and close at 18h00. Please try to bring your child to school on time and fetch them at the time you have stipulated.

**We do provide breakfast between 07:15 and 07:45, on request only.** Please contact the office to make these arrangements.

After-school care continues throughout the year during school holidays. The school closes for 3 weeks at Christmas time only.

2. HEALTH

The school makes every effort to ensure the maximum health of every child. We ask parents to co-operate in the following ways.

- 2.1 Please notify the school by 09h00 should your child not attend.
- 2.2 Do not send your child to school if he/she has a cough or a sore throat.
- 2.3 In the case of infectious illnesses, please notify the school immediately.
- 2.4 Do not send your child back to school after an infectious illness without a medical certificate.

2.5 MEDICATION

If your child is on any medication, please enter it daily in the medicine book indicating: Name / Dose / Time. Please don't leave medicines in the suitcases or bags. Kindly hand them in, clearly marked, to the person on duty. The book and 'medicine box' are in the office.

3. INOCULATIONS

If your child has been inoculated, please send a copy of your child's clinic card with your enrolment form.

4. FOOD

Please send a healthy snack pack for snack time. These items need to be in a marked container. Also, send a marked bottle of juice/water (not glass) every day for your child's refreshment. Children may stay for lunch on a casual basis. (Contact the office for the cost) We do allow a sweet or a packet of chips or biscuits in the snack pack, but we encourage the children to eat their healthy snacks first. We do not encourage lots of junk food. Thanks.

5. TOYS

All toys are to be left at home as the school cannot be responsible for damage or loss. Some classes do have "show and tell" on a Friday, but will then store the toy away for home time.

6. PARENT'S EVENING

Parent's evenings will be held during the year. The children's work will be on display and parents can chat to teachers about matters concerning their child.

7. FEES

Fees are payable in 10 equal instalments by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each new month. Fees are payable in advance. Fees are not refundable if a child is absent. We have a no-cash policy; monies are to be deposited directly into our bank account with **ABSA Account 1410158872 branch code 334810.**  
**A 12-month payment plan is also available upon request.**

Please note the following:

- 7.1 One month's notice, in writing, is required.

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- 7.2 The entire month's fee is required regardless of when your child starts; there is no pro-rata basis of payment, i.e. if your child begins a week into the month, the full month's fee shall nevertheless be charged.
- 7.3 There is no refund for the fees paid.
- 7.4 Any intention to change the status of your child must be made, in writing, in advance.
- 7.5 If no written notice has been received before the due date, the following month's fee will be required.
- 7.6 If your child starts with us any time from 1<sup>st</sup> August onwards, the casual rate will be charged for days attended in December.

## 8. CLOTHES

**All clothes and shoes must be clearly marked!** They should be of the self-help type and uncluttered. An extra set of clothing should be sent for mishaps.

## 9. APRONS

The school provides for all messy activities. An old T-shirt of moms would work as well!

## 10. BIRTHDAY RINGS

These are an integral part of our school routine, as the child celebrates this happy occasion with us. Parents may send a cake and/or goodies to share with the class.

## 11. LIBRARY DAY

Library day is Thursday. Each child has to have a library bag which is given to them on their first Thursday at school. This amount will be added to the first school fee invoice.

## 12. TUCK SHOP

Every Tuesday, the children receive a bag of popcorn for R5. This amount may be paid per term (R50) or year (R200) via EFT. The Grade R teacher might ask that their children pay R5 per week as they are being taught how to work with money.

The observance of these simple rules will ensure the smooth running of Kid's Kingdom, and help us to promote the health, happiness, and well-being of each child.

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### ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Our school is made up of 7 classes:

#### **Kingdom Babies Centre (ages 3 months to 2½ years)**

Gentle Giraffes	:	3 months - 18 months
Curious Cub	:	18 months - 2½ years

*Note: The Baby and Toddler (Potty Training) classes are designed to focus on developmental milestones rather than strictly adhering to age. For example, if your child is potty trained at 24 months (2 years), they will be put into the Teddy Bear Class.*

#### **Kid's Kingdom Pre-School (ages 2½ to 6 years)**

Teddy Bears	:	2½ - 3 year olds
Butterflies	;	4 year olds
Busy Bees	:	5 year olds (Pre-Grade R)
Wise Owls 1	:	6 year olds (Grade R)
Wise Owls 2	:	6 year olds (Grade R)

Our Wise Owl class is the pre-primary Grade R year preparing the children with school readiness for their first year at "big" school. We are registered with the Western Cape Education Department.

All school activities, rings, songs, and language development groups revolve around a theme. The themes are changed each week based on a three-year curriculum.

Our activities include: cutting out, gluing, box construction, crayon work, patterns, painting, baking, music & movement, language development, role play, puzzles, and creative activities enhancing school readiness. The children enjoy playing on our extensive range of equipment, both outdoor and indoor. Dressing up and imagination games are important and we have a Wendy house with child-sized furniture and all the "house-house" play equipment.

Our mornings are structured to allow for the right amount of time for learning and plenty of room for play.

As funds allow, new equipment is purchased regularly.

We are a Christian school and base our teaching on biblical principles.

### Organised creative activities

These are done daily and each child is encouraged to make something for mom or dad.

Rings

The children always look forward to their daily ring period. They vary each day: language development, music, drama, movement, and developmental play, as well as percussion.

Bakerman

One child per class will receive a turn each week to bring biscuits or cookies to school and "sell" them to his/her peers. The children love this activity. You will be told when it is your child's turn. Friday is Bakerman Day!

NEWSLETTERS are sent out each term. From time to time, you will receive letters concerning the school.

REPORTS are sent out during the second and the last terms. Parent evenings are held during the year.

The school arranges various visits to the school by persons or organisations which aid in the teaching of our themes, e.g. the fireman, police, etc. We prefer to have visits to the school rather than to go on regular outings for safety reasons.

School Readiness

This is a special programme for 5/6-year-olds. It is specially designed to gear the children for that next step.... the big school. A full folder of their work is sent home at the end of the term once the syllabus has been completed. Body image, colour, size, shapes, number readiness, reading, and writing readiness are but a few subjects covered.

In November a Graduation Ceremony is held for the 6-year-olds in recognition of their school readiness skills.

Assembly

Every Friday all classes meet together in the hall at 09h00 for assembly. We have a wonderful time of fellowship together, singing and praising the Lord. The staff takes turns leading the assembly and telling a bible story. We also sing 'Happy Birthday' to all our friends who had birthdays in the week.

End of year Concert & Nativity

Every year our school holds an end-of-year concert. This is something not to be missed.

Fundraising

At the Parent Evening during the first term, a Fundraising Committee is elected by the parents, who under the Chairperson, arrange various fundraising functions in order to raise funds for school equipment for the benefit of our children. We are registered with the "My School" programme as a recipient. We request parents to participate by applying for a "My School" card (forms available from the office) and linking us as a beneficiary. We then receive a percentage of your purchases ex certain stores.

School photos

These are taken during the third or fourth term each year. Individual or group photographs may be ordered via the order form that will be sent to you.

We have your child's best interest at heart and should any problems arise concerning your child, no matter how small, you will be notified and we can discuss how best to deal with it. Fortunately, we do have speech and occupational therapists, etc. available who are only too willing to help us assist you in the education of your child. Problems picked up while the child is still young, can often be rectified before big school, thus giving the child an equal opportunity for academic success.

We always are very grateful to moms and dads who help us in any way possible. We are a family school where we work together for the children's sake.

Computer paper, cardboard, small pieces of wood for woodwork, boxes of all sorts and sizes, old shoes, bags, hats for the dolly corner, etc. are all very gratefully received.

REMEMBER ... WE PASTE YOUR WASTE

For those who are busy and feel they cannot assist in any way, just a word of encouragement and a smile will make our day.

EXTRAMURAL ACTIVITIES:COMPUTER CLASSES

Monday: 10:00 - All the Grade R pupils receive a half-hour lesson once a week, at no extra cost. Pre-Grade R students may join the classes, at an extra cost to the parent.

GYMFANTS

Monday: 08:00 – Gymnastic-based body movement for boys and girls.

STRAUSS DANCE

Tuesday: 13:00 for girls and boys

PLAYBALL

Wednesday: 09:30 – Ball skills for boys and girls 2 years and over.

CLAY CRAFT (Monthly)

Thursday 10:00 - Beaux-Arts (Clay Craft for Kids)

CRICKET

Thursday: 13:00 for the boys

NETBALL

Thursday: 13:00 for boys and girls 2 years and over.

SWIMRITE

Friday: 11:00 for boys and girls 2 years and over.

MUSIC MINDS

Friday: 11:00 for boys and girls 2 years and over.

AFTERCARE

Our Aftercare facilities are only for our own pre-schoolers.

If your child is booked into the aftercare they may stay during the holidays at no extra cost. We do, however, close for three weeks over the Christmas period.

Kid's Kingdom children who are not registered in an Aftercare time slot, may stay for longer hours or Holiday Care at a casual rate cost. **Please contact the office for the casual rates and/or to register your child for these extra hours.**

**We provide breakfast between 07:15 and 07:45, on request only.**

Lunch is served at 12h30. The children who are registered for aftercare will receive a balanced, cooked meal every day. After lunch, the children have structured free play. Those children that stay full day also receive a mid-afternoon snack and juice at 15:00.

If your child needs to sleep in the afternoons, they lie down for approximately 1 - 1½ hours in a designated sleeping room. We provide mattresses but request that you provide a pillow and bedding for your child. During the colder months please provide a blanket. This will be sent home every month to be washed. **PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS ARE CLEARLY MARKED.**

After resting, the children generally join the other children outside, weather permitting. On bad weather days, activities will be set out in the hall.

The school closes promptly at 18h00, please endeavour to fetch your child on time.

**KID'S KINGDOM PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE**

**SCHOOL FEES 2025**

<u>TIMES</u>		<u>GRADE R</u>
UNTIL 12H30 - 3 X WEEK (18 months - 3 years only)	R1 860.00	
UNTIL 12H30	R2 595.00	R2 895.00
UNTIL 13H00 LUNCH INCLUDED	R3 325.00	R3 625.00
UNTIL 14H30 LUNCH INCLUDED	R3 825.00	R4 125.00
UNTIL 18H00 LUNCH INCLUDED	R4 545.00	R4 845.00

Our Grade R classes have compulsory School Readiness Computer Classes each week – the cost of which is included in the fees.

Please note that the fees are payable in advance over a 10-month period, and are payable by the 1st of each month. Payments are due from 1 February to 1 November, with no payments required on 1 January or 1 December. **A 12-month payment plan is also available upon request.**

Alternative arrangements for a later date would need to be made by written application. If your child starts with us any time from 1<sup>st</sup> August onwards, the casual rate will be charged for days attended in December.

Once your child is booked into the afterschool care, he/she may stay during the holidays at no extra cost.

The school closes for three weeks at Christmas time.

Please check details at the office for casual rate for meals, extra hours or holiday care. Thanks

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