



3 AND 4-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN 2025 APPLICATION TIMELINE



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| <p>JAN 2024</p> | <p>Registrations are open all year round. You can register your child from the age of 1 for 3-year-old kindergarten and from the age of 2 for 4-year-old kindergarten. Registrations are received by Hobsons Bay staff online, by email, post or in person. Visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/kindergarten</p> |
| <p>MAR</p> | <p>Kindergarten services confirm session times for the following year with Council.</p> |
| <p>APR</p> | <p>Group selection opens. Confirmation of registration email sent to all families registered for kindergarten in the following year. Families must select their groups and can change preference, cancel or defer at this stage.</p> |
| <p>MAY</p> | <p>Registrations (including group preferences) for first round offers must be received by May 31. Please note: registrations and group preferences received after this date will still be accepted and included in second and subsequent rounds of offers</p> |
| <p>JUN</p> | <p>First round offers are sent to families via email. All offers are made in line with Priority of Access guidelines to ensure the allocation of places is fair and equitable. Families are asked to confirm acceptance of kindergarten place or alternatively decline, defer or change preference. Where an offer is not the first preference, families can 'Accept and Wait'. This means they accept the offered place, but are put on a waitlist for their first preference which may be offered to them in subsequent rounds. Please note: Some families will not receive an offer in this round. In this case, they will remain waitlisted for an offer in subsequent rounds.</p> |
| <p>JUL</p> | <p>Registrations for second round offers must be received by July 12. Please note registrations received after this date will still be accepted and included in subsequent rounds of offers Second round offers are sent to families via email in late July.</p> |
| <p>AUG</p> | <p>Families will continue to receive offers based on remaining vacancies, in line with Priority of Access guidelines.</p> |
| <p>SEP</p> | <p>Kindergarten Providers receive registration details for all accepted places from Council.</p> |
| <p>OCT</p> | <p>Offers sent to non-resident families on a case-by-case basis in line with Priority of Access guidelines. Families will be contacted directly by their kindergarten provider with information regarding commencement dates and fees, if applicable. Registrations continue to be accepted.</p> |
| <p>DEC</p> | <p>Families will continue to receive offers based on remaining vacancies, in line with Priority of Access guidelines.</p> |