



## PARENT GUIDE 2025

Welcome to Rainbow Kids Playschool. This document provides you with guidelines and information on our school's policy and general information.

### VISION AND MISSION

Rainbow Kids Playschool is committed to providing a program that focuses on the development of young children by creating enriching learning experiences through exploration, discovery and hands-on activities. Our comprehensive curriculum, coupled with trained staff, offers innovative learning through play.

We believe children are born eager and ready to learn! As educators, it is our responsibility to encourage that learning by providing our children with opportunities that will allow them to create their own meanings to the world around them. It is not only important for children to develop the basic skills that will be the foundation for future learning, but also to receive care from loving teachers. Rainbow Kids strives to provide exceptional care in a safe and nurturing environment, create an enriching learning experience for each child and appoint compassionate, qualified staff to care for your child.

At Rainbow Kids our goals for children in our programme are for them to:

- Be active and engaged learners.
- Feel safe and secure when parents leave.
- Develop positive relationships, self-confidence and independence.
- Appreciate cultural diversity.
- Have fun while learning!

We follow an open-door policy. Parents may visit the teachers and children at a time that will not disrupt the class or daily programme.

### ADMISSION POLICY

The completed and signed application form, together with all supporting documents, should be submitted to the school.

A registration fee of R500 is payable upon submission of the form. This is a once-off, non-refundable fee.

Application forms can be obtained from the school or on our website: [www.rainbowkidspaarl.co.za](http://www.rainbowkidspaarl.co.za).

Please contact us to make an appointment to view our school. Our contact details are:

Telephone: 076 525 7226

E-mail: [admin@rainbowkidspaarl.co.za](mailto:admin@rainbowkidspaarl.co.za).

## SCHOOL HOURS

We offer half day and full day care.

- Half day care: 07:00 – 13:00 (lunch included)
- Full day care: 07:00 – 17:30

Drop off is between 07:00 and 08:00. We have a drop-and-go system in place in the morning to help with parking and traffic flow in the area.

## SCHOOL AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

We are closed on all public holidays. We are open during every school holiday, except in December/January when we close for a short period. These dates will be communicated well in advance.

## SCHOOL FEES AND PAYMENTS

TODDLERS (1-5 YEARS) 2025	
5 Full days	R4 600
5 Half days	R4 050
4 Full days	R3 760
4 Half days	R3 300

BABIES (3 MONTHS - 1 YEAR) 2025	
5 Full days	R4 950
5 Half days	R4 270
4 Full days	R4 060
4 Half days	R3 630

- School fees are payable in advance and over 12 months of the year.
- You will not receive an account statement. The amount is payable on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month.
- Kinderkinetics is included in the monthly fee for all children.
- No discount will be given if a student is absent due to illness or holiday arrangements.
- One full calendar month's written notice is required if you wish to withdraw your child from the school.
- No notice can be given for the last term. Should notice be given for October or November, the account holder will be liable for the full term's fees until the end of December. **NO** exceptions will be made!
- An educational development fee of R300 is payable for all children for 2024. This fee is also an annual once-off, non-refundable fee.

## **BANKING DETAILS:**

Account name: Rainbow Kids Playschool

Bank: Capitec Business

Account number: 1051556058

Type of account: Transactional Account

Reference: "your child's name and surname"

## **COMMUNICATION**

You will receive a monthly newsletter digitally via the class WhatsApp group. Other communication for classes will take place via the WhatsApp groups. Only school-related information should be posted on the WhatsApp groups.

If you want to discuss something with the class teacher, please contact her directly and not on the class group.

Please join our Rainbow Kids Paarl Facebook and Instagram accounts. Regular posts of our daily activities are made on these platforms. Please like and share our posts.

## **DROP OFF AND PICK UP**

Due to limited parking and high traffic in the immediate area, we only do a drop-and-go in the morning. One of the teachers or class assistants will take your child to his/her class. Please limit your parking time, especially in the area in front of the school (in Zeederberg Street) and the drop-off gate in (Theron Street). Drop-off in the morning is between 07:00 and 08:00.

When picking up your child in the afternoon, please ring the bell at the main entrance or at the gate in Theron st. The gate will be buzzed open. Please check that the gate is properly closed before you proceed. You will be allowed to fetch your child from his/her class.

If someone other than yourself is fetching your child from school, you have to notify the class teacher, either by phoning the school or via WhatsApp.

## **THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Children react differently to new experiences. Until they adjust to their new school environment, it is not unusual for a child to have a tearful separation from his/her parent. Be assured that they will be comforted until they feel secure.

We suggest that you, prior to arrival, discuss his/her new routine and coming to school with your child. Telling him/her what to expect helps to ease anxiety. It might take a week or two for him/her to feel at ease in his/her new environment.

## **CLOTHING AND WHAT TO BRING TO SCHOOL**

***ALL CLOTHING, BOTTLES AND BAGS MUST BE MARKED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.***

Please dress your child in older clothes as messy activities are extremely important for his/her development.

- Lunchbox for 10:00 snack.
- Water or juice (NO fizzy drinks).
- Clean change of clothes and underwear.

Please do not send any sweets to school in the lunchbox from Monday to Thursday. Friday is treat day, and a sweet or chocolate is allowed. *Eating healthy is a lifestyle, not a diet.* We strive to teach children a healthy eating lifestyle from a very young age. A document with suggestions on healthy snack boxes can be e-mailed to you on request.

We have a strict NO toy to school policy. Toys break, get lost and cause trouble. Please do not send any toys to school, unless it is a "soother" to take naps with. We will not accept any responsibility for lost, broken or missing toys.

## **MEALS**

Breakfast and lunch are prepared on the premises daily. The menu will be provided on a Monday for the week. No child will be allowed to eat breakfast or lunch from home at school, except for medical reasons. A snack will be provided in the afternoon.

## **DAILY PROGRAMMES**

Each class has a daily routine to suite the ages of the children. The daily routine will be discussed and handed out at the first parent meeting of the year.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Birthdays are very special and therefore we encourage you to celebrate it at school. It is not compulsory. You are welcome to send a birthday cake/cupcakes. If you choose to provide party packs consider sweets that are not a choking risk. No bubblegum (for example Pin Pop lollipops) please.

## **HEALTH POLICY**

### **ILLNESS**

Children with a high fever or infectious disease may not attend school. We want to prevent the spread of diseases among children and staff. Children can return to school with a confirming medical certificate or after they have had no fever, without medication, for 24 hours.

If a child falls ill or is injured at school, parents will be notified immediately and requested to fetch the child as soon as possible. CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION IS THEREFORE VERY IMPORTANT.

### **MEDICINE**

Only prescribed medication will be administered at school.

## EXTRA MURAL ACTIVITIES:

Kinderkinetics is included in the school fees for ALL children.

Activities offered at the school for the year depend on the number of enrolments. Activities take place during school hours. During the first 2 weeks of term 1 all extra mural activities will be demonstrated at school. All children will take part in these demo lessons. After the demo lessons you can decide for which activities you would like to enrol your child. You will receive a timetable of the extra mural activities.

Fees for the above are additional and must be paid directly to the person responsible for the specific activity.

Kinderkinetics	All ages (included in the monthly fee)
Rugga Roots	3-5 year old
Gymnastics	3-5 year old
Ballet	3-5 year old
Netball	3-5 year old
Cricket	3-5 year old
Karate	3-5 year old
Pre-reading programme	5 year old

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