# Information for when talking to families

## For kindergarten services, teachers, and educators

* We use the Kinder Tick because we’re an approved provider of a Victorian Government funded kindergarten program. That means our service delivers a play-based learning program, led by a qualified early childhood teacher.
* The Kinder Tick shows we meet criteria set out by the Victorian Government — which means your child’s learning and development will be supported by qualified early childhood teachers and educators through a responsive, evidence-based learning program.
* In a kindergarten program, children use play to build their language skills and learn about numbers and patterns. They also learn how to get along with others, share, listen, and manage their emotions. At our service, our teachers and educators help children become curious, creative, and confident about learning.
* Our service meets the requirements to display the Kinder Tick which means your child is taking part in an evidence-informed, play-based learning program that meets government guidelines. Research shows the pre-school years are critical when it comes to supporting learning and development — and that the right support at these ages can help benefit children into their school years and beyond.
* *Keep an eye out, you'll see the Kinder Tick signage on our service's building/fence/ <other>.*

**Services offering Three-Year-Old Kindergarten**

* At our service, we offer [*Three-Year-Old Kindergarten*](https://www.vic.gov.au/kinder) as well as Four-Year-Old Kindergarten for children in the year before school. Research from across the globe shows that two years of quality kindergarten programs improves a child’s learning outcomes. Children who attend two years of kindergarten also show higher levels of emotional intelligence and wellbeing into their school years and beyond. By looking for the Kinder Tick, you know your child will be taking part in a kinder program that will give them their best start in life.