**Registering for Council and Community run Early Childhood Education and Care**

Council manages a centralised Children’s Services Wait List (CSWL) for all City of Port Phillip Council and Community run early childhood education and care centres.

To register your child for child care or kindergarten in a Council or Community run centre, please contact the CSWL Officer **by email** or call**03 9209 6360**

**Centres I can register with using the CSWL » –** drop down heading with below info

**Community run Early Childhood Education and Care Centres**

* Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre, Port Melbourne
* Bubup Womindjeka Family and Children's Centre, Port Melbourne
* Clarendon Children's Centre, South Melbourne
* Eildon Road Children's Centre, St Kilda
* Elwood Children's Centre, Elwood
* Poets Grove Family and Children's Centre, Elwood
* South Melbourne Child Care, Albert Park
* The Avenue Children's Centre and Kindergarten, Balaclava

**Council run Early Childhood Education and Care Centres**

* Barring Djinang Kindergarten, Southbank
* Bubup Nairm Children's Centre, St Kilda
* Clark Street Children’s Centre, Port Melbourne
* Coventry Children's Centre, South Melbourne
* North St Kilda Children's Centre, St Kilda

To register your child at Private early childhood education and care centres, Occasional Child Care and Sessional Kindergartens, you will need to make direct contact.

**Private Early Childhood Education and Care Centres** links to page

**Occasional Care** links to page

**Sessional Kindergarten** links to page

**Contact the CSWL Officer if you have any questions.**

**Telephone: (03) 9209 6360**

**email:** **cccwaitinglist@portphillip.vic.gov.au**

[Contact Council](http://www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/contact-us.htm) or use [Online Services](https://eservices.portphillip.vic.gov.au/ePathway/Production/Web/Default.aspx) to ask us a question, request information or give us feedback online.

**I would like more information on** - **»** drop down box with below links

**Community Early Childhood Education and Care Centres »** links to Community centres info

**Council Early Childhood Education and Care Centres »** links to Council centres info

**CSWL frequently asked questions »** Insert faqs

[Children's Services Waiting List FAQ (DOC 352 KB)](http://www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/Childrens%20Services%20Waiting%20List%20FAQ.doc) To be updated
[Children's Services Waiting List FAQ (PDF 153 KB)](http://www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/Childrens%20Services%20Waiting%20List%20FAQ.pdf) To be updated

**Fees »**

**Community Early Education and Care Centres »** links to Community centres info

**Council Early Education and Care Centres »** links to Council fees info

Private early childhood education and care centres, Occasional Care and Sessional Kindergartens need to be contacted individually for fees information.

Fee assistance is available from the Australian Government. See here to learn what your family is eligible for [Child Care Fees](https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/subjects/assistance-child-care-fees)

**How I update my CSWL information and preferences »** Drop down information re updating

The CSWL team do regular updates to have the most up-to-date information on families' care requirements.  You will be prompted via email to provide us with any changes you might have and a due date by which to reply.

**How to choose the centre that is best for my child »** Drop down with below information and links

It is recommended that you arrange to visit any early childhood education and care centre that you might be interested in as you know best what suits your family’s needs**.**

Other ways to help you decide are the following Government website pages:

[Choose the best child care](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/child-care-kindergarten/Pages/choose-best-child-care.aspx)

[National Registers](https://www.acecqa.gov.au/resources/national-registers)

[Child Care Finder](https://www.childcarefinder.gov.au/)

**Occasional Care »** links to Occ care centres info

**Private Early Childhood Education and Care Centres »** links to Private centres info

**Regulations and Assessment Ratings »**

For more information on regulations and centre assessment ratings go to [ACECQA](https://www.acecqa.gov.au/%22%20%5Co%20%22ACECQA) and [Starting Blocks](https://www.startingblocks.gov.au/).

**Sessional Kindergarten »** links to Sessional Kindergarten page

**Who gets priority for Early Childhood Education and Care places? »**  Drop down box with information

**Priority of access**

Child care placements at all centres are made according to [Australian Government Priority of Access Guidelines](https://www.education.gov.au/priority-filling-child-care-places).

In addition, families who live, work or study in City of Port Phillip are given priority.

**High priority referrals**

Family Support professionals, Medical practitioners, allied health professionals or other associated professionals are able to refer children of First Priority as per the [Australian Government Priority of Access Guidelines](https://www.education.gov.au/priority-filling-child-care-places) by filling out [this form](http://www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/Template_for_high_priority_referral_on_the_Children_s_Services_Waiting_List.pdf)