

# BRUNSWICK KINDERGARTEN



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## 4YO PROGRAM- BUSH KINDER

Our Bush Kinder Program was introduced mid-way through 2017 and has proved to be a great success!

Our Bush Kinder program provides opportunities for children to safely explore rich, diverse natural play environments while developing self-confidence, teamwork and social skills and an understanding of their environment. It will allow children, through play, to experience challenges and develop self-awareness in managing risk according to ability and confidence. The teaching team support the children in taking on investigations through a variety of activities prompted by the discoveries unearthed at our Bush Kinder site.

Our Bush Kinder program is run from a site in Royal Park, near the corner of Gatehouse Street and Royal Parade. The group has access to a sheltering gazebo and toilet facilities with a pond, ample grassland and bush scrub to explore for the duration of the session.

The Bush Kinder is attended by each of the 4-year-old groups once a month, one group per day. Children are dropped at kinder as per usual procedure in the mornings, and the group then makes their way to the bush kinder site via walking and public transport, returning to the kinder well before expected collection times.



Families are encouraged to clothe children in appropriate outdoor wear for the conditions expected on Bush Kinder days, and we take along the children's packed lunches and medical supplies for the session.

A separate Family Information Booklet is available prior to the commencement of the year's Bush Kinder Program.

