

## Fees?

Fees for Playgroup are \$20 per family per term. This goes towards our craft materials, gifts, new toys and equipment. If you require any financial assistance please speak privately to one of the Playgroup leaders or the Playgroup Co-ordinator.



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## Next steps?

Sarah Perrin is our Co-ordinator for Wed and Fri playgroups. Sarah is the best person contact to establish whether there is an available place for your family should you be interested. In recent times there has been a short waiting list for places.

Contact details for Sarah Perrin are: [s.perrin@me.com](mailto:s.perrin@me.com)  
0417 627 045 or via the St. John's office 5243 3561.

We look forward to playing, creating, sharing and singing with you soon!



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## Welcome to St John's

We're glad you are interested in our Playgroups at St. John's. As a church, we love children and families and we aim to do all we can to encourage parents / carers and kids to meet together, have fun and establish lasting relationships with each other and with God.

We have two Playgroups operating during term time: one on a Wednesday morning; one on a Friday morning. Both groups are identical in format, duplicated because of the strong interest! At each group we aim to:

- ⊙ create a safe environment for children to have fun, learn, explore, play together and develop friendships.
- ⊙ develop and nurture a sense of community among participating families.
- ⊙ be welcoming to all.
- ⊙ allow space and offer opportunities for families to get to know and take steps in actively considering God and his Son, Jesus.

Our groups are open to all, though we sometimes have a waiting list for available places. We look forward to getting to know you and your children.

Mark Hood

*St. John's Children and Families Minister on behalf of our mainly music team.*



## About the program

Each **Wednesday** and **Friday** morning we meet from **10:00am to 11:30am**. The session includes free play, a craft activity, morning tea, singing and storytime.

With our extensive selection of smaller and larger toys, we enjoy a varied free play session each week. In terms 1 and 4 we aim to spend time outside in our courtyard in the sandpit, or on trikes and kicking balls.

Each week we share in morning tea together with parents bringing a healthy snack for their child(ren). We also take turns in bringing something to share amongst the adults, during which some ladies from our church serve tea and coffee.

Because we value relationships, each term we aim to organise a Mums social night, as well as marking each child's birthday with a gift and by singing Happy Birthday to them. We also celebrate and give gifts at Easter, Mothers and Fathers Days, and Christmas.

We've also worked towards having an outing / excursion (typically in the second last week of term) to the fire station or a wildlife sanctuary etc.



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