


Preschool/Kindergarten Comparison Table

	Community Preschool/Kindergarten	 Only About Children Long Day Care Centre
Opening Hours	✗ Usually 9am to 3pm	✓ Usually 7am to 6pm
Days Of The Week	✗ Often 3 days program	✓ Flexible options up to 5 days
School Holidays	✗ Closed	✓ Open
Casual Days	✗ Often not available	✓ Available
Meals	✗ Bring your own meals	✓ All meals included. Prepared by onsite cook from seasonal menu*
Welcome Pack	✗ Differs per centre	✓ Library Bag, Water Bottle and Hat
Allied Health	✗ Pay extra/Refer Externally	✓ Vision Screening, Speech and Occupational Therapy, Nutritionists
Checkpoints	✗ Differs per centre	✓ 6 monthly Grow Story (update on child's learning)
Parenting Support	✗ Differs per centre	✓ School Readiness Toolkit – workshops, articles and online resources
Educators	✓ Led by a Degree Qualified Teacher	✓ Led by a Degree Qualified Teacher
Curriculum	✓ Guided by the EYLF and NQS	✓ Guided by the EYLF and NQS
Learning Style	✓ Structured and unstructured play-based learning	✓ Structured and unstructured play-based learning
School Readiness	✓ 2 Year School Readiness Program	✓ 2 Year School Readiness Program
Funding	✓ Eligible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VIC Free Kinder Funding • NSW Start Strong Preschool Funding • QLD Kindy Funding 	✓ Eligible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VIC Free Kinder Funding • NSW Start Strong Preschool Funding • QLD Kindy Funding

* at most Only About Children Campuses