

Leongatha Early Learning Centre

The Leongatha Early Learning Centre is an exciting new build, constructed to support the growing demand for children's services in the South Gippsland Shire.

Designed to support the roll-out of subsided kindergarten for three-year-old's, the Early Learning Centre also caters for long day care, supported playgroup and space for family related services. The centre features four main day-care/pre-school rooms, allied health, staff/admin rooms, including kitchen, laundry and outdoor staff area and large outdoor play-space of approximately 1500 square metres consisting of a mix of nature-base elements and natural play structures designed to cater for the varying age groups.

Leongatha's Early Learning Centre has been constructed to provide a safe inclusive and nurturing environment for children within South Gippsland Shire to thrive and reach their full potential.

The Early Learning Centre was funded through the State Government Department of Education's Building Blocks Early Years Infrastructure Grant (\$2.37 million) and South Gippsland Shire Council contribution (\$3 million).

The centre is licensed to provide Centre-Based Care for up to 120 children and received service approval by ACECQA on 20 April 2023.

Designed by Centrum Architects and built by Kubale Construction Pty Ltd the expansive learning centre is positioned within one of Leongatha's growing residential districts.

Three-year-old and four-year-old kindergarten registration for 2024 is currently open until 30 June 2023 and we recommend that all parents and guardians complete the form and nominate your kindergarten preferences at the following link: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment

Quote attributable to Cr Nathan Hersey, Mayor South Gippsland Shire Council:

"The Leongatha Early Learning Centre will bring exceptional and much needed early learning services and programs to the South Gippsland Shire. This state-of-the-art facility represents a significant investment in the education and well-being our youngest members of the community.

Every child deserves a strong start in life, and this centre will provide a nurturing and enriching environment where children can thrive, learn and develop essential skills for future success."

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