

Preschool Programs



Explore STEM concepts through hands-on activities



About our programs

Our preschool programs run for 75 minutes and include a range of different activities. All activities are hands-on, and encourage children to discover the world of science through play and exploration.

We can run our programs as incursions in your centre, or as excursions at our Macquarie University site.

Our classrooms are located at 13 Hadenfeld Ave, Macquarie University. There are toilets on site as well as a grassy area with shade for breaks and meals. Parking can be organised if you are travelling by bus or other vehicles, or we can advise on the best public transport options for you.

Availability

Our programs run on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. We can run up to two preschool classes simultaneously, for up to 15 students per class. For larger groups, please get in touch with us to discuss availability.



Accessibility

Our classrooms at Macquarie University are accessible for wheelchair and mobility aid users. Accessible parking and accessible toilets are located directly next to our classrooms.

Registered assistance animals are warmly welcomed to our programs. A water bowl is available if needed. The nearest green space is directly next to our classrooms. If your group is attending any of our programs with an assistance animal, we ask that you let us know in advance.

Our programs may include activities that create noise (such as balloons popping) and a wide range of sensory experiences (such as touching and tasting different substances). If you have specific accessibility needs or concerns about attending our programs, please email us so that we can ensure that that all students have the best possible experience.



Cost

Our 75-minute programs have a fee of \$15 per student, with a minimum group size of 9 students. Smaller groups can be booked, but may incur a higher cost per student.

Our Programs

We are always keen to expand our offerings and help meet the needs of preschools and early learning centres. More programs are in development now - stay tuned for what's to come!

If there is a particular topic or focus area that you are interested in and is not covered by one of these courses, please contact us and we can discuss if or when a relevant course may be available.

Day of the Dinosaur

Children become palaeontologists in this deep dive into the ancient world of dinosaurs!

This experience includes:

- Hatching mysterious fizzing dinosaur eggs
- Creating fossils of dinosaurs and other animals and plants
- Constructing models of dinosaur skeletons

At the end of the session, children will get to take their hatched dinosaurs, fossils and skeleton models home with them.



Space Cadets

Blast off to the moon and stars with this investigation into the objects we see in the night sky!

This experience includes:

- Exploring how stars are born and die
- Creating a "nebula in a jar"
- Blasting the surface of the moon to make craters

At the end of the session, children will get to take their nebula jars home with them.



BOOKINGS AND INQUIRIES

For booking enquiries, contact jsaschools@mq.edu.au or fill in the form via the QR code below.



While our programs are tried and tested for success, we are always keen to improve and adapt them for as many learning contexts as possible.

If you have specific needs or requests for programs on a particular topic, please get in touch with us at jsaschools@mq.edu.au.

