



FAQ

Welcome to our Frequently Asked Questions about Ludo

What is Ludo?

Ludo is a play based early learning and care program for children aged between 3 and 5 years of age, based in selected Catholic Schools in Tasmania. Our program provides education and care on children's non-Kinder days, after Kinder care, before Kinder care and, during school holidays.

Ludo provides the ability for smooth transitions into Kindergarten, with relationships being built with both teaching staff and our Ludo educators.

Ludo programs are based in purpose built, indoor and outdoor play spaces, with the designs being carefully considered to meet the needs of our most important stakeholders...children.

Which [Catholic Education](#) schools is Ludo in partnership with?

North/ South	School	Opened or Opening	Days Open Mon - Fri	Places
North	St Finn Barr's (Invermay)	February 2021	Every Day (Wed - BKC & AKC Only)	24
South	Holy Rosary (Claremont)	February 2021	Every Day	24
South	John Paul II (Rokeby)	February 2021	Every Day	24
South	St Brigid's (New Norfolk)	February 2022	Every Day	24
South	St Cuthbert's (Lindisfarne)	February 2022	Every Day	24
South	St Paul's (Bridgewater)	February 2022	Every Day	24

When is Ludo open and how much does it cost?

Ludo programs will be operational for 50 weeks of the year, closed between the periods of Easter and between Christmas and the new year and for Gazetted public holidays in the respective parts of the state.

Session Type	Hours	Open & Close Times	Fee	Available
Before Kinder Care (BKC)	2.00	7.00am – 9.00am	\$ 20.00	Term Time Only
After Kinder Care (AKC)	3.00	3.00pm – 6.00pm	\$ 30.00	Term Time Only
Short Day (SD)	6.50	8.30am – 3.00pm	\$ 85.00	50 weeks
Full Day (FD)	11.00	7.00am – 6.00pm	\$110.00	50 weeks

There is no charge for Before and After Kinder Care in the school holidays.



Prior to school holidays, families giving 1 weeks' notice of being absent, will not be charged during school holidays.



During school term time, families will be charged a reduced rate if at least one weeks' notice of your child being absent is provided in writing.



Additional days are available to all children during the school holidays, providing we have available spaces.



The Fee Structure will be reviewed annually to ensure our programs are both accessible and sustainable.

If my child is in Kinder, can they access CatholicCare's Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) programs?

Your child won't attend Outside School Hours Care with school aged children however, they will access similar age appropriate programs within our Ludo spaces.

Kinder age children will use the purpose-built spaces designed for them and their peers, and utilise the Before Kinder Care and the After Kinder Care sessions of Ludo.

What are the benefits of my child staying within the Ludo program?

- Children have less transitions from one area to another
- Consistency for children with their educators, friends, and play spaces
- Children will develop and create friends who share the same interests
- Children's relationships will strengthen with the Kinder teacher for the Kinder year, Ludo educators and vice versa
- The ratio of care will be beneficial for a 4 to 5-year-old child, with a 1:10 ratio rather than the 1:15 in OSHC
- When children commence Kinder they don't have to "go back" to child care – their self-identity is now of a "big person"

Are Ludo programs lunch box services?

Yes, we are. We encourage families to provide a selection of healthy snacks and lunch options. Fridges are available for children to store their lunch boxes in, ensuring food is at it's optimum for meal times. We provide a light afternoon snack.

Who is the provider for Ludo?

[CatholicCare](#) is the approved provider for all of our Ludo programs.

Am I able to apply for Child Care Subsidy (CCS)?

Yes. Simply access your [My Gov](#) account to make an online application. Eligible families will receive a rebate to decrease their out of pocket expense.

Are Ludo sites rated against the [National Quality Standards](#)?

All Ludo sites will undertake the assessment and rating process. Within 3 months of opening, Ludo sites will submit their Quality Improvement Plans to the regulating body, [ACECQA](#). We look forward to showcasing our pedagogy and practice and welcome feedback form stakeholders for continual improvement.