

NOOSA PENGARI STEINER PLAYGROUP

The Noosa Pengari Steiner School Playgroup is a weekly gathering for parents with young children, based on the perspective of child development given to us by Rudolf Steiner. Our Playgroup aims to create an environment which is appropriate for, nourishes, and protects the sensitivity of the young child. The Playgroup welcomes from 2.5 years old, with the oldest being those who are due to start Pre-prep the following year. Children attend with mother, father (or even a grandparent).



Where: Noosa Pengari Steiner School, 86 Nyell Road, Doonan, in the Possum Place building (behind the Treasure House).

When: Playgroup sessions are held on Friday mornings from 9.15am to 11.15am during school term time, with the capacity for an additional session on Friday afternoon if there is sufficient demand.

What to expect:

- Young children thrive on rhythm and so each Playgroup session will have a regular routine that will include time to play, as well as, singing, story-time and morning tea.
- Simple, natural toys to nourish a child's imagination and creativity.
- Parent involvement - A Waldorf/Steiner Playgroup is a little different from regular Playgroups in that while the children play, parents participate in joyful, meaningful work. This may include a simple craft, preparing morning tea, sanding and polishing our wooden toys, mending, sweeping or gardening. There is an awareness of the need to model appropriate behaviours and values, with the understanding that children imitate all we do.
- A place for parents to connect and share a reverence for nature, the child and the parenting journey.
- An environment where children are not overstimulated, but gently held within the group and through the guidance of parents. This carries through to the children wearing plain, simple clothing without the distraction of logos or images.

Our Treasure House is usually open before playgroup with beautiful toys and resources. A wide range of informative books are available for loan from our parent library.

Kind regards,

Michelle Hutchison, Playgroup Coordinator

Please be aware that places are limited and a waiting list may exist, so it is important to complete the Playgroup application form and return it to the school office.

For further information contact the School Office.

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Playgroup application forms can be found on the school website here:
<http://www.noosasteiner.qld.edu.au/administration/downloads.html>