



FAQ Sheet for Ludo

Welcome to our Frequently Asked Questions

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 before children commence Kinder, 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 Tas schools is Ludo in partnership with?

North/ South	School	Opened	Days Open Mon - Fri	Places
North	St Finn Barr's (Invermay)	February 2021	Every Day	20
South	Holy Rosary (Claremont)	February 2021	Every Day	20
South	John Paul II (Rokeby)	February 2021	Every Day	20
South	St Brigid's (New Norfolk)	February 2022	Every Day	20
South	St Cuthbert's (Lindisfarne)	September 2022	Every Day	20
South	St Paul's (Bridgewater)	February 2022	Every Day	20

When is Ludo open and how much does it cost?

Ludo programs are operational for 50 weeks of the year. Ludo is closed for Easter (including Easter Tuesday), between Christmas and the New Year and for Gazetted Public Holidays in the respective parts of the state. Families are not charged for Public Holidays.

Session Type	Hours	Open & Close Times	Fee from 10/07/23	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	\$ 35.00	Term Time Only
Short Day (SD)	6.50	8.30am – 3.00pm	\$ 90.00	50 weeks
Short Day at John Paul II			\$ 93.00	
Full Day (FD)	11.00	7.00am – 6.00pm	\$115.00	50 weeks
Full Day at John Paul II			\$120.00	



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



Prior to school holidays, families giving 2 weeks' notice in writing of being absent, will not be charged during school holidays.



During school term time, families will be charged a reduced rate if at least 2 weeks' notice of your child being absent is provided in writing.



Additional/Casual sessions are available to all children during the school holidays, providing there are available places.



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.

The benefits of your child using Ludo for Before and After Kinder Care are:

- 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 their 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, they are (except John Paul II). Families are encouraged 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. John Paul II Ludo joins in with the school's lunch program and the fees are slightly higher.

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 myGov account to make an online application. Eligible families will receive a subsidy to reduce their out of pocket expense.

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

All Ludo sites are required to participate in the Assessment and Rating process. Services 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.