### While you're studying or working, you want to be sure your children are in safe, capable hands.

That's why Toi Ohomai Childcare Centre is the top choice for families in our community.

#### About us

Our centre is situated in a quiet cul-de-sac along the northern boundary of Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology's Windermere Campus in Tauranga.

While we are conveniently located for Toi Ohomai staff and students to cater for their childcare needs, we welcome children from throughout the wider community.

We cater for children aged six months to six years

Four separate centres have been designed to best meet the needs of children based on their ages. Each centre has its own sleep space and inside and outside play spaces.

All of our kaiako (teachers) are qualified in early childhood education and are friendly and caring. They are passionate about providing the learning opportunities and support that will challenge and extend your child's interests and strengths.

#### Where to find us

Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology

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#### Our vision

Learners together, learners for life. He waka eke noa, whāia ngā kete o te mātauranga

#### Our philosophy

The aspirations of Ngāti Ranginui are acknowledged and embraced within our practice and programmes so that tamariki, whānau, and Kaiako can stand strong in their centre identity and turangawaewae. At the heart of our practice are ngā uara of whanaungatanga, manaakitanga, kaitiakitanga and tumanakotanga

#### Whanaungatanga

Respectful, genuine, inclusive, and reciprocal relationships with tamariki, whānau, and our local community are at the heart of everything we do. Kaiako partner with whānau to build an environment where tamariki feel valued, secure and safe.

#### Manaakitanga

Caring, consistent, and trusted kaiako show aroha, kindness and build connections to foster a sense of wellbeing and belonging for our tamariki and whānau to support their mana, wairua and identity.

#### Kaitiakitanga

Our large natural outdoor play spaces allow for free, natural, self-initiated play to promote respect for and the ability to explore Papatūānuku. Tamariki see themselves as capable and confident explorers, communicators, and innovators who are critical thinkers that are able to connect with and care for their own and wider worlds as lifelong learners.

#### Tūmanakotanga

Opportunities to hear and act upon the aspirations of whānau and tamariki, are enabled by our high teacher to child ratios. Kaiako provide intentional teaching opportunities that embrace the strengths, interests and ideas of the tamariki, allowing them the time, space and resources to explore their ideas and generate working theories.

## **Childcare Centre**

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We offer quality childcare in a safe and nurturing environment







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#### How to enrol

Prior booking is essential as places are limited and fill up quickly. Enrolment forms are available to collect from the centre, or you're welcome to phone us for an enrolment pack, or download the form from **toiohomai.ac.nz**.

We will confirm your child's place in writing or by email.

Before your child starts at the centre, we require you to do three visits with your child to meet the teachers and familiarise yourselves with the environment.

#### **Hours**

- Monday to Friday, 7.45am to 5pm
- We are closed for four weeks during the December/January holidays.



#### **Subsidies**

#### **Under 3 years**

Up to 35 hours per week \$7.50 p/h 35-40 hours per week \$260.00 40+ hours per week \$280.00

#### 3 years and over

20 hours ECE free then \$7.50 p/h. If not using the 20 Hours ECE, under 3 years rates will apply.

#### Late fee

- \$25 per ½ hour will be charged for any child who is not collected within the centre opening times
- \$10 per ½ hour will be charged for any child who is collected after their booked times and without prior agreement with the centre

#### **Subsidies**

#### 20 hours ECE

 20 hours of ECE is available to all children three years and over

#### Work and income

 You may be entitled to a childcare subsidy through Work and Income; this is an income-tested subsidy

These above subsidies may not cover your total childcare fee; you may still have an amount to pay each week.

#### You need to provide

- Nappies (if applicable)
- Made-up bottles (if applicable)
- A bag with:
  - Clearly named clothing (several changes) and shoes
  - Hat and sunblock in the summer
  - Named lunch box with a healthy lunch and drink (we provide morning and afternoon tea)
  - A reusable bag for wet clothing

#### Ways you can be involved at our centre

- Share information about your child with kaiako
- Comment on and add to your child's learning journey on Storypark
- Fill out surveys and provide feedback on any policies being reviewed
- Share your knowledge and skills with the centre
- · Join us for whānau events throughout the year

#### Our programme

Our whānau come from all over the Bay of Plenty, providing us with a rich and diverse learning community. Our tamariki and whānau are at the heart of our programmes, and building warm and strong relationships is a big focus for our kajako/teachers.

Learning in and about nature is an important part of who we are.

Our spacious outdoor play areas offer plenty of opportunities for children to connect with nature, and to explore, discover, and make sense of the world around them.

We believe our tamariki are competent learners and we embrace each child's uniqueness. We offer safe, caring and stimulating environments that supports each child's individual strengths and interests.



### During their time at our centre your child will

- Develop an understanding of virtues such as respect, trust and friendliness
- Develop foundation skills for learning through active movement
- Develop knowledge of our local area, heritage and resources
- Develop an understanding of literacy and numeracy concepts through meaningful everyday contexts
- Enjoy an individual learning journey, and have an online digital portfolio through Storypark that incorporates your aspirations, and the learning goals and virtues of focus for your child.