

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.

Three separate areas, the Kiwi, Tui and Fantail 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.



Mission statement

Our highly qualified kaiako use a virtues-based framework to create quality bicultural environments where tamariki have the opportunity to thrive. We embrace partnerships with whānau and community to nurture individual growth. We foster the holistic learning and development of tamariki, while providing an on-campus model that supports the teaching profession.

Our vision

Learners for life, learning together.

Our philosophy

We provide an inclusive, educational, nurturing and innovative learning environment that is supported within the wider Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology.

Manaakitanga: Respecting others.

Recognising and acknowledging that effective communication and collaboration are vital in providing an environment and programme that embrace the partnership of the Treaty of Waitangi and reflect each individual's unique background.

Whanaungatanga: Connecting with others.

Building strong, reciprocal relationships with our diverse community of learners.

Kotahitanga: Unity of purpose.

Recognising the value of providing passionate, professional, qualified early childhood teachers who understand the significance of an environment that challenges us all to become lifelong learners.

Where to find us

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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 www.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
- Hours are reduced during the institute's term holidays (8.30am to 4.30pm daily).
- We are closed for four weeks during the December/January holidays.



Fees

Daily	Sessional
7.45am–5pm <i>(Minimum six hours per day)</i>	7.45am–12.30pm 12.30–5pm <i>(Minimum four hours per day)</i>
Under 3 years \$6 per hour	Under 3 years \$6.00 per hour
3 years and over 20 ECE hours FREE; after that \$6 per hour	Three years and over 20 ECE hours FREE; after that \$6 per hour



Late fee

- \$25 per ¼ hour will be charged for any child who is not collected within the centre opening times
- \$10 per ¼ 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 sun block in the summer
 - Named lunch box with a healthy lunch and drink (we provide morning and afternoon tea)
 - A reusable bag for wet clothing

Values-based teaching

A virtues-based programme is effectively implemented throughout the centre, in conjunction with the early childhood curriculum Te Whariki.

In 2014/15 members of our teaching team engaged in formal research to determine the value of the virtues-based programme. We received overwhelmingly positive feedback from parents and local schools about the effectiveness of this programme.

Our well-resourced centres provide many opportunities for your child to learn through play, developing their interests along with relationships with others.

Current research shows that young children need to be physically active to develop the foundational skills required before formal learning can begin. We offer large outdoor playgrounds where your child has the opportunity to freely explore and engage with nature.

Our most recent Education Review Office report (2015) gave the centre the highest recommendation, saying it is 'very well placed' to promote positive learning outcomes for children:

All teachers are ECE qualified. High teacher-to-child ratios support the delivery of a stimulating and bicultural curriculum in a nurturing and caring environment, while promoting a passion for lifelong learning.

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.

