

# Jack and Jill Preschool

*Where Lifelong Friendships Are Made*

## Enrolment Criteria Policy

**Aim:** To ensure that the enrolment of children into the service are prioritised based on consistent criteria that allow for transparency of decisions, and children and family needs to be considered.

**Alignment with the philosophy:**

**Implementation:**

When applying for enrolment at Jack and Jill Preschool the following criteria will be applied to prioritise the application:

- 1) **Children at risk** – Children who have been identified as at risk due to their family situation and would be protected by placement within the service. This includes children in protective care, in known ‘at risk’ homes, identified by the police as at risk, low socio-economic families who cannot provide for their children’s appropriate care. This includes children with high needs where families need respite from the children to ensure appropriate care can be given. These children will have priority for all types of positions.
- 2) **Full time working parent families** – Children who have their parent/guardian(s) unable to care for them during the day due to work commitments. This includes if a single parent works, or if both parents work and are unable to care for the child. This includes full time study commitments where evidence can be provided. These children will have priority for full time care positions.
- 3) **Part time working parent families** – Children who have their parent/guardian(s) unable to care for them on certain days due to work commitments. This includes if a single parent works, or if both parents work and are unable to care for the child on these days. This includes part time study commitments where evidence can be provided. These children will have priority for part time care positions.
- 4) **Single parent families** – Children from single parent families where the parent has no support to help with care for their child. These families will have priority for part time care positions.
- 5) **All other families** – This includes families where one or both parents do not work fulltime, they do not pose a risk for their children’s wellbeing and they are able to draw from their support network to balance out their care needs.

Additional enrolment criteria:

