



EMPOWERING YOUNG MINDS

23 August 2021

Dear ELC Parents

RE: UPDATE TO EARLY LEARNING CENTRE OPERATIONS COMMENCING Monday 23 August

Further to my correspondence to you on Saturday pertaining to the closure of Childcare Centres across Victoria to control the growing spread of COVID 19, we have now received further clarification following confusion across the media yesterday. The clarification was sent to us last night, that is Sunday 22 August at 10.02pm.

The change is that one parent (not two) must be an authorised worker (working on site or from home) **and there is no appropriate alternative care available in the home**. If there is another adult in the household, authorised workers can still access onsite childcare or kindergarten **if the other adult is not able to supervise the child/ren** (including due to work or personal circumstances such as illness or disability).

It is important for us not to lose sight of the government's intention to control the growing spread of coronavirus within our communities. Today's new locally acquired cases have again grown and to curb the spread and keep our families safe it is important that we adhere to the requests asked of us. In this case, if your child can remain at home, they should - that is the government's intention. Just because you are able to access childcare, please ask yourselves, is it for the right reason.

If your ELC child falls into the category for supervision, that is, there is no appropriate alternative care available in the home, please fill out the request for supervision form emailed to you on Saturday if you have not already done so.

Again, we have had very little official notice of these new requirements and I appreciate your patience and understanding with our ELC staff as they make adjustments to the Early Learning Centre Program.

Yours sincerely

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