

# PRESCHOOL



## CURRO Chartwell

### Home away from home

At our preschool, we have created a safe, fun-filled environment where children can reach their full potential.

#### We focus on:

- 1. The unique child:** Every child is a competent learner from birth who can be resilient, capable, confident.
- 2. Positive relationships:** Through loving, secure relationships with their parents and teacher, children learn to be strong and independent.
- 3. Learning and development:** Children learn in different ways and at different rates, while all areas of learning and development are equally important and inter-connected.
- 4. Enabling environments:** We offer the Curiosity Approach, which embraces the Reggio Emilia philosophy. Outdoor play areas include jungle gyms, play houses, shaded areas for creative and sensory play, and more.

### QUICK FACTS

**Language:** English

**Ages:** From 12 months to Grade R

**Class size:** Controlled class sizes based on age groups

**School times:**

**Playgroup:** 08:30 – 12:15

**Group 3:** 08:30 – 12:30

**Group 4:** 08:30 – 12:45

**Group 5:** 08:30 – 13:00

**Grade R:** 08:00 – 13:00

**Aftercare:** Until 17:00

**Early drop-off time:** 06:30

### Curiosity Approach

This internationally recognised philosophy encourages uninterrupted play-based learning and loose-parts play within the ELDAs curriculum.

### The Early Learning and Development Areas (ELDAs)

Our preschool programme is designed with the Early Learning and Development Areas (ELDAs).

- **Physical well-being:** health and safety, gross motor development, fine motor development
- **Identity and belonging:** self-awareness, self-management, social awareness and social management
- **Communication:** listen and understand, speak and communicate, make meaning and represent
- **Mathematics:** quantity and numbers, measurement, patterns, shape and space, data collection, time and ordination
- **Creativity:** daily life and play, visual arts, performing arts
- **Learning about the world:** exploration and inquiry, knowledge and understanding, executive function

### Grade R

In Grade R we focus on an integrated play-based curriculum with specialised educational programmes:

- The phonological awareness programme which is explicitly taught in small groups and includes interactive games
- The Bazoo integrated literacy programme
- The NumberSense programme which is a learner-centred approach where problem-solving is the starting point
- Introduction to Robotics through Duplo Lego

Grade R is the bridge from the concrete world to the world of symbols and numbers in Grade 1.

### Extramural activities (offered at an additional cost)

Ballet, B-Active, Playball, Robotics





## GENERAL INFORMATION

- Outdoor play areas include jungle gyms, play houses, shaded areas for creative and sensory play, and more.
- Safety and security measures include guarded gates and proper hand-sanitising protocols.
- Our programme includes activities built around large soft bricks, which form the important early foundations for later Robotics studies.
- Our menu provides well-balanced, wholesome meals and snacks which are freshly prepared in our on-site kitchen.
- Teachers each have teacher's assistants based on the age group and number of children in the class.
- Children's progress is monitored continually, and parents enjoy frequent feedback meetings. A detailed report is sent out twice a year.
- We follow a three-term calendar and remain open during school holidays. We are closed only on public holidays and specified dates as reflect on our website.



## HOW TO ENROL

### STEP 1:

Apply to enrol with one of the following options:

1. Enrol online at [www.curro.co.za](http://www.curro.co.za).
2. Download and complete the application-for-admission form available on the website or from the school.
3. If necessary, contact the school for the required documents.

### STEP 2:

Submit your completed application form along with all supporting documents (indicated on the application form) to the school.

**Note:** Supporting documents for online enrolments are to be uploaded.

### STEP 3:

Application forms will be assessed.

### STEP 4:

If successful, parents will receive via email, a welcome letter and invoice for a once-off non-refundable enrolment fee.

### STEP 5:

Once the enrolment fee is paid, the child's place is confirmed (please retain proof of payment for record purposes).

### STEP 6:

Please refer to [www.curro.co.za](http://www.curro.co.za) regularly to stay up to date with all the relevant news and arrangements.

We aim to inspire young minds to become extraordinary through the unique Curro preschool curriculum.

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