



Important information regarding your child's 2026 Start Strong fee relief from the NSW Government

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The NSW Government provides fee relief to families through the Start Strong for Community Preschools program.

Families with children who are at least 3 years old on or before 31 July 2026 and who are enrolled in an eligible community or mobile preschool service **may** save up to \$4,347 per year in 2026. This equates to \$108.67 per week for the 2026 school year.

If your child is at least 3 years old on, or before, 31 July 2026, **you must complete the provided 2026 Start Strong Declaration Form as well as the Start Strong Consent Form, respectively**, which is currently available on OWNA.

How the fee relief works:

- The funding for your child's fee relief will be provided to our service, directly from the NSW Government, and we will pass this fee relief on to you as a reduction to your fees.
- The fee relief will be evenly allocated to you across the calendar year.
- If your child will be attending another service that offers fee relief (another community preschool or a long day care service), you will need to choose which service you would like to receive fee relief from, as you can only receive fee relief from one service. You will need to fill out a declaration and consent form at each service your child attends. Where you receive fee relief from is your choice.
- If you wish to change the service you would like to receive fee relief from, you will need to fill out a new declaration form for each service your child attends.
- There are no citizenship or residency status requirements to access fee relief.

It's important that you complete the declaration and consent forms so that we know whether our service should apply fee relief to your child's invoice for the 2026 school year.

Kind regards

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