

Philosophy

Learning through play and fun, kinaesthetic development and independence.

Baby Centre

Stimulation, individual attention and loving care.

Pre-school

Creativity, language development, literacy and numeracy

Children are cared for whilst you work; homework is done by the time you get home

Come Visit Us!

"I am the biggest ambassador or Little Minions" – Antoinette, Grade R Mom

LITTLE MINIONS' ACADEMY

Private Pre-school Discovery



Why us:

- Pre-school since 1970
- 50+ Years' experience
- Teacher/ assistant to child ratio of 1: 15
- First Aid & CPR Qualified
- Meals provided
- Creative Activities
- Continuous Development



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Extra-murals

- Swimming
- Monkeynastix
- Pottery
- Babynastix
- Soccer
- Abacus Maths

Fees

2022 Fees

Baby Centre – R1, 500

Pre-school – R1, 500

Enrolment – R400

* Includes breakfast and lunch

Open For Enrolment 2022

Children are well cared for and treated with love



About Us

Every learner is offered the opportunity to excel.

Little Minions Academy offers a high academic standard, with the balance of creativity and extra-murals.



"Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world" – Nelson Mandela

Child Safety is Paramount

CCTV Camera system throughout entire premises

Access to the property is restricted and strictly controlled



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LITTLE MINIONS ACADEMY'S PHILOSOPHY

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it” – Proverbs 22:6

The Academy's Early Childhood Development curriculum is designed to prepare learners for their phases of learning in the Academy, until leaving to join Grade One. Children are taken through a structured daily routine with a stimulating curriculum.

ENGLISH MEDIUM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

The Academy admits children from three months to Grade R. The language medium used for learning is English. The Academy applies Christian teachings and is a Christian-Based pre-school.

QUALIFIED STAFF

All staff are adequately trained and competent in First Aid Level One and Basic Firefighting. All educators at The Academy are qualified. The Academy performs annual training of staff to ensure continuous development, and this is assessed by means of Audits.

CLASSROOM QUALITY AUDIT

The Academy has on its staff an auditor who rotates through the classes and ensures the highest quality standards in terms of class layout, teaching methods, book/ block corner quality, etc.

SECURITY

The Academy has strict access control to the premises. Further, The Academy makes use of Armed Response, CCTV cameras and the local Neighbourhood Watch for security.

POTTY TRAINING

The academy encourages potty training and needs the assistance of parents. Potty-training success depends on physical and emotional readiness, not a specific age. The Academy recommends potty training in spring and summer.

EXTRA- MURALS

The Academy's service providers have numerous activities which fall outside that which is included in the curriculum. These activities carry an additional cost. All Extra-mural activities will start in the first week of February, unless otherwise stated by the service provider. Please note that the service providers are independent, and so need to be contacted and paid directly.

LITTLE MINIONS ACADEMY CURRICULUM

The Little Minions Academy Preschool curriculum is designed to prepare the children for primary school, and therefore is linked to the CAPS curriculum. Children learn in areas of Literacy, Numeracy, Kinaesthetic, Bible and Life Skills.

TRANSPORT

The Academy does not perform its own Transport Services, but rather outsources same to professional transport service providers. Contact the principal and she will gladly put you in touch with the preferred service provider in your area.

FOOD MENU

Healthy eating in infancy and childhood, as part of a healthy and active lifestyle, is vital for optimal health, growth and development. The nutritional status of children influences their short and long-term physical and mental development. The damage to physical and mental well-being caused by poor nutrition has the potential to be irreversible. At The Academy, its cooks are trained to provide a diet that meets the nutritional requirements at every stage of development. All cooks are required to complete The Academy's basic training. The Academy is committed to delivering quality, balanced meals and snacks to all the children attending the school, and as such follows the Department of Health's Nutrition Guideline for ECD Centres.

Some examples of meals are porridge for breakfast; Chicken-a-la-King for lunch; and sandwiches and juice for snack.

COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

Most communication will occur electronically via email, newsletter and website. The Principal is also directly available on weekdays from 06h00 – 18h00 on WhatsApp. The Academy has an open door policy and parents are welcome to see the principal at any time. There are Parent's Meetings during the year when required. A progress report is issued three times a year. A notice board is also on display outside the main reception for important reminders to parents.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS

The school's newsletter with pertinent information will be distributed monthly.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Formal and Informal photographs will be taken during the year by The Academy's professional photographers. Dates will be communicated to you by the school's principal. Some of the children's photos may be used in The Academy's communications, websites, newsletters, brochures and pamphlets.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media platforms are used at The Academy, for existing parents, as well as prospective parents. Photographs are taken regularly and posted on these platforms. Ensure that you advise the school, should photographs of your child not be allowed on Social media platforms. The photos will be used on The Academy's platforms only and it encourages all its parents to interact with it on these networks.

OPERATING HOURS

The Academy is open Monday to Friday strictly 06h00 – 18h00.

LATE COLLECTION

Where children are collected late, a fee will be charged for every 15 minutes delay. This fee needs to be paid directly to the staff member.

NAPTIME

Children need to have sufficient sleep at night to be ready for the busy programme which awaits them. Children under the age of five have one-hour in the afternoon.

MEDICATION/ SICK POLICY

Consideration of others is critical. Please advise the school of any contagious diseases. Based on the Academy's Health and Safety Policy, no medicine will be administered to any child without the parent's consent. There are copies of the forms in the class baskets in reception. Kindly place the form in the relevant class basket with the medicine. If your child is on antibiotics, has been in hospital, or has any one of the following, kindly keep him/ her at home: diarrhoea, fever, vomiting, rash, head lice, and eye infection.

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Kindly inform the principal/ teacher should your child not be at school.

INCIDENT REGISTER

The Academy keeps record of all incidents such as an injury, biting incident, etc. The Academy takes all matters very seriously and its aim is to keep children safe and secure. Be assured that well-being and safety of learners is paramount to The Academy.

STATIONERY

All age groups have their own stationery requirement. The 1-2 Class learners provide their own stationery. The 2-3 Class and higher learners pay a once-off stationery and book fee which covers the Day-by-Day curriculum, books, toiletries, paint and the like.

TOYS FROM HOME

Toys will not be allowed at The Academy. Should a child bring a toy, The Academy is not responsible for the losses or damages incurred.

CLOTHING AT SCHOOL

Please dress your children comfortably, in weather appropriate clothing. All clothing must be marked/ labelled with your child's name. Please note that the learners do play messy games (sand, clay, water, foam, and paint), so getting messy is often unavoidable at the Academy.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Birthday celebrations are big deals for little ones, and so they should be. Birthday rings are exciting for children. Most parents enjoy bringing cake, some crisps and juice for the celebration among friends. Should parents send the traditional sweet-packed party packs, these are typically sent home with the children for them to enjoy at home. It is recommended to keep sugars at a minimum. To make the birthday super special for the child, each classmate draws a picture for the birthday boy/ girl and the child gets to wear a special crown.

HOLISTIC ECD PARTNERING

The Academy has entrenched strong partnerships with the community children specialists, to follow the children every step of the way in holistic development. The occupational therapist, physiotherapist, dietician and speech therapist assess the children annually.

LINKING ECD TO HOME

The well-being of the children is paramount and therefore The Academy is committed to developing a true partnership with the parents to jointly guide the child through the phases of development. The parents' love and care is seamlessly continued at the Academy.