# EARLY YEARS 2 PROGRAM FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## How old does my child have to be?

Your child must be 2 years old by August 31.

## Is the program half day or full day?

We will allow parents to choose which program they enroll their child in, based on the needs of the individual child. Parents can choose either the full-day program, morning program, or afternoon program.

Once a student is enrolled, there will not be an option to switch to a different schedule once the semester has started.

## Is the program offered in dual language or only English?

Two-year-old children are still learning to communicate their needs and therefore the program is offered in English with classroom support in Chinese offered by our teaching assistants.

## How many children will be in each class?

There will be a maximum of 12 students per class.

#### How many teachers/assistants will be assigned to each class?

There will be one full-time homeroom teacher and two full-time teaching assistants.

## My toddler still needs an afternoon nap. Will they be able to have rest time?

If a child enrolls in the full-day program, they will be given the opportunity to sleep during the afternoon. If a student only enrolls in the afternoon program, naptime will not be offered. However, we can be responsive to individual students' needs.

## My child still sleeps in a cot and eats in a highchair. Will they be accepted?

We require all children to be able to sleep in beds with no side protectors. These will be provided for use at school. However, parents are required to provide bedding for students to use while napping. We will not be providing cots. Lunch will be eaten family-style around a table, and we do not provide highchairs.

## My toddler is still in diapers. Will they be allowed to enroll?

Yes. Our teachers and teaching assistants can help with changing diapers, but we encourage you to work with your child on toileting independence as this is a requirement for EY3. There are child-sized toilets available for the students to use.

## What activities will they be taking part in during the day?

Activities in the classroom will be aimed at helping students develop socially, emotionally, physically, and cognitively. Students will engage with the environment through guided and exploratory play experiences.

#### Will they go to specialist classes, like PE, art, music?

No. Students will have access to these subjects provided by their homeroom teacher.

#### Will they have their own designated play area, away from larger children?

Yes, they will have access to our beautiful, age-appropriate playground in our Early Years Learning Community.

#### Will I be able to stay with my child at school?

We find it is better for a child's development and independence for parents to leave after the morning drop-off. You will be able to bring your child to the class each morning but are then expected to leave.

#### Will I receive a report on my child's learning?

We will not be providing an official report or transcript for EY2, but there will be opportunities for you to meet with your child's teacher throughout the school year. Learning and pictures will be shared through posts on our Seesaw app. We recommend a letter of completion at the end of the year for the child's file.