# Welcome to pre-primary education!

Pre-primary education is provided for all children born in 2016 for 4 hours per day in the 2022–2023 school year. In Kotka, the autumn semester starts on Wednesday, 10 August, 2022. Pre-primary education follows the school holidays of the school year.

Registration for pre-primary education takes place electronically between 1 and 28 February via the website:

City of Kotka, Kasvatus ja koulutus (“Education”), Esiopetus (”Pre-Primary Education”), Ilmoittautuminen (”Registration”):

[Ilmoittautuminen | Kotkan kaupunki](https://www.kotka.fi/kasvatus-ja-koulutus/esiopetus/ilmoittautuminen/)

The registration process for bilingual pre-primary education (in Finnish and English) is the same as for other pre-primary education. The start of bilingual pre-primary education will be confirmed later, and it takes place in Haukkavuori school pre-primary education. The child’s guardians are responsible for transports to bilingual pre-primary education.

Please select the pre-primary education place that is located at the child’s local school. If the child needs other early childhood education, please fill the application at the same time when you register for pre-primary education.

Decisions for pre-primary education can be sent during registration time.

In Kotka, pre-primary education is organised in 2022–2023 in schools. If the child needs other early childhood education, we aim to provide this directly in connection with pre-primary education. The curriculum for pre-primary education and the locations providing pre-primary education in 2021–2022 can be viewed on the Early Childhood Education website.

For more information, please contact the Early Childhood Education service guidance, tel. 05 234 7788, open Tue 13:00–15:00, Wed 9:00–12:00 and 13:00–15:00, and Thu 9:00–12:00,

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