



Families must live in Riverwood, Padstow, Narwee, Roselands, Penshurst, Mortdale or Peakhurst to be eligible for HIPPY Riverwood Program

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HIPPY

**Families learning together
with fun and free activities**



HIPPY

The Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters is a fun and free program for families that supports children's learning in the two years before school.

It provides you with the tools to give your child a strong start in education.

Our program

Join HIPPY with your 3 year old child and each fortnight, HIPPY Tutors will bring you storybooks and activity packs and practice them with you so that you feel confident doing them with your child.

Each activity helps your child learn through play and supports their development in five different learning areas.

HIPPY only takes 10-15 minutes a day of learning and playing with your child to make change that lasts a lifetime.



HIPPY Tutors

Tutors are HIPPY parents trained in each of the HIPPY activities and will practice them with you at each home visit.

As HIPPY parents, Tutors have the personal experience and community knowledge to support you as you learn with your child.

**RECRUITING FOR 2026
HIPPY PROGRAM
WILL BEGIN IN
MARCH 2026 –
CHILDREN WITH
DATE OF BIRTH
July 2022 to June
2023 CAN APPLY
(i.e.: starting school
in 2028)**

HIPPY Gatherings

Gatherings are fun, welcoming and family-friendly.

They're opportunity for you to meet other HIPPY families, learn about your child's development and to hear about local services and events in your community.



**Builds
community
connections and
confidence**



YOUR HIPPY SITE IS

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