This Early Childhood Education and Care service is an approved kindergarten program provider for the purposes of claiming Queensland Kindergarten (Free Kindy) Funding.

**Service details**

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| **Service name:** The Benevolent Society – Cairns Early Years Centre Kindergarten | | |
| **Address:** Borrowdale Close (in the grounds of Bentley Park College – Gate 22) | **Suburb:** Bentley Park | **Postcode:** 4869 |
| **Phone:** 07 40346 800 | 0428 635 842 (Bus Mobile) | |
| **Website:** [www.benevolent.org.au](http://www.benevolent.org.au) | **Email:** [cairnskindy@benevolent.org.au](mailto:cairnskindy@benevolent.org.au) | |

**Kindergarten Fees** (information current as at:**insert date**)

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| **Program 1 Name:**  Jajalum (Group A) | **Program 2 Name:** Badjin (Group B) |

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| **Kindergarten Program Details** | **Days:** 5/fortnight  **Hours:** 8:30 am - 2:40 pm  **ECT:** Lee-Ann Boor | **Days:** 5/fortnight  **Hours:** 8:30 am – 2:40 pm  **ECT:** Kym Swain |
| **Cost of kindergarten program** *(for eligible children after subsidies are applied)*  ***Note:*** *families may still have out of pocket costs for hours of care outside of the kindergarten program* | **FREE** | |
| **Inclusions in the total fee**  *(list inclusions, e.g. food, sunscreen)* | Sunscreen, Cool water filter, incursions, bus | Sunscreen, Cool water filter, incursions, bus |
| **Enrolment conditions**  *(list commitment required of child to participate in the kindergarten program)* | 15 hours per week for 40 weeks or 600 hours annually | 15 hours per week for 40 weeks or 600 hours annually |

**Additional fees or levies**

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| **Item and purpose** | **Cost/frequency** | **Tax deductible Y/N** |
| Enrolment Fee | $20 (inc. GST) Annual | N |

Provider information does not represent the official position of the Queensland Government.

**Approved Kindergarten Program Providers**

This service holds a current service approval for a centre based service in Queensland, under the Education and Care Services National Law (National Law) or the Education and Care Services Act 2013, and appropriate public liability insurance of at least $10 million. To be eligible to receive kindergarten funding the service must meet specific requirements, including provide an approved kindergarten program:

* To children who are at least four years of age by 30 June in the year they commence kindergarten
* Delivered by a qualified early childhood teacher
* Aligned with the Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guideline, or other education program approved by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority
* For 600 hours annually made up of 15 hours a week or 30 hours per fortnight for 40 weeks. Any other model must be approved by the Department of Education prior to commencement

**The Australian and Queensland Governments are providing subsidies to support the delivery of kindergarten programs. For more information, please visit the Department of Education website:** **<https://earlychildhood.qld.gov.au/>**.