

K1 Orientation 2025

Kindergarten Care (KCare)

About KCare



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- Provides care services in a safe and conducive environment for children to play, explore and discover through specially designed environments with carefully chosen resources^
- Time set aside for adequate rest
- Autonomy for children to decide what and how they want to play
- Situated within MK premises
- Operates from 12pm till 7pm, from Mondays to Fridays, including school holidays*
- Operated by MOE-appointed service providers, based on MOE requirements and guidelines



^ Please note that KCare does not offer academic-related experiences. KCare is generally available to parents who require a full-day service for their child.

*Closes for 6 days each year, in addition to gazetted public holidays, Teachers' Day and Children's Day.

KCare Environment

Specially designed to provide a variety of play experiences



▲
Water play area



▲
Sensory garden



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Cookery

KCare Programme

a) Modular Activities

- Art & Craft
- Cookery
- Gardening
- Music, Movement & Dramatisation
- Sand & Water Play
- Tinkering



b) Free Play

- Construction & Manipulative Free Play
- Dramatic Free Play
- Outdoor Free Play
- Sand and Water Free Play



c) Dedicated Reading Time (at least 15 minutes)

- Daily dedicated reading time
- Nurture a love for reading and develop good reading habits



Sample KCare Timetable (School Terms)

| Time | Activities |
|-------------------------|--|
| 7.00 a.m. – 7.50 a.m. | Arrival and Health Check at MOE Kindergarten |
| 7.50 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. | MOE Kindergarten |
| 12.00 p.m. – 12.15 p.m. | Arrival and Health Check |
| 12.15 p.m. – 1.00 p.m. | Lunch |
| 1.15p.m. – 1.30 p.m. | Dedicated Reading Time |
| 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. | Rest / Nap |
| 2.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m. | Modular Activities / Indoor Free Play |
| 3.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. | Afternoon Snack |
| 4.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. | Modular Activities (Indoor/Outdoor) / Indoor/Outdoor Free Play |
| 5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. | Indoor / Outdoor Free Play, Quiet Time and Dismissal |

Note:

- MK will receive KCare children at arrival between 7.00 a.m. and 7.50 a.m.
- Both MK and KCare staff will work out an arrangement for the smooth handover of the children.
- Outdoor activities can only be conducted after 4.00 p.m.

Sample KCare Timetable (School Holiday)

| Time | Activities |
|-------------------------|---|
| 7.00 a.m. – 9.00 a.m. | Arrival and Health Check - Breakfast and Indoor Free Play |
| 9.00 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. | Modular Activities/ Outdoor Free Play and Morning Snack |
| 11.30 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. | Dedicated Reading Time |
| 12.00 p.m. – 1.00 p.m. | Lunch |
| 1.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. | Rest/Nap |
| 3.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m. | Afternoon Snack |
| 3.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. | Holiday Activities |
| 4.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. | Indoor / Outdoor Free Play |
| 5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. | Free Play, Quiet Time and Dismissal |

**Outdoor activities can only be conducted before 11.00 a.m. and after 4.00 p.m.*

SAMPLE Lunch Menu by WEEAT

| Week 1 - Monday | Week 1 - Tuesday | Week 1 - Wednesday | Week 1 - Thursday | Week 1 - Friday |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Mixed Grain Rice | Yellow Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Macaroni Pasta |
| Thai Basil Mixed Chicken | Lemon Zest Steam Fish w Coriander | Roasted Cajun Chicken | Fish Adobo w Spring Onion | Minced Chicken |
| Round Cabbage, Broccoli & Carrots | Bok Choy & Carrot | Long Cabbage & Corn | Round Cabbage w Sliced Mushroom | Vegetable Medley |
| Clear Corn Soup | Clear Celery Soup | Clear Broccoli Soup | Clear Veggie Soup | Mixed Veggie Soup |
| Week 2 - Monday | Week 2 - Tuesday | Week 2 - Wednesday | Week 2 - Thursday | Week 2 - Friday |
| Mixed Grain Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Corn Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Bee Hoon |
| Ground Chicken Fajita | Sweet and Sour Fish | Chicken Kurma with Carrot | Steamed Ginger and Soy Sauce Fish | Minced Chicken |
| Cauliflower, Celery & Corn | Long Cabbage w Carrot | Shanghai Green & Carrot | Bok Choy & Carrot | Chap Chye |
| Leek Soup | Cauliflower Soup | Clear Cabbage Soup | Broccoli Soup | Clear Veggie Soup |
| Week 3 - Monday | Week 3 - Tuesday | Week 3 - Wednesday | Week 3 - Thursday | Week 3 - Friday |
| Mixed Corn Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Hainanese Chicken Rice | Mixed Raisin Rice | Fusilli Pasta |
| Minced Chicken in Mushroom Sauce | Lemongrass Fish | Steam Spiced Chicken | Baked Crumble Fish w Orange Sauce | Minced Chicken w Mushroom Sauce |
| Shanghai Green w Carrots | Long Cabbage w Diced Carrots | Round Cabbage w Carrots & Corn | Broccoli, Round Cabbage and Carrots | Sliced Mushroom, Carrots & Broccoli |
| Clear Carrot Soup | Pumpkin Soup | Bean Sprout Carrot Soup | Mixed Veggie Soup | Mushroom Soup |
| Week 4 - Monday | Week 4 - Tuesday | Week 4 - Wednesday | Week 4 - Thursday | Week 4 - Friday |
| Mixed Grain Rice | Carrot Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Margarine Rice | Spaghetti Pasta Bolognese |
| Thai Minced Chicken | Steam Fish w Lemon Garlic Rosemary Sauce | Roasted Chicken w Mushroom Sauce | Steam Fish w Caldereta Sauce | Minced Chicken Cauliflower |
| Vegetable Medley | Long Cabbage & Corn | Round Cabbage w Carrots | Bok Choy, Tang Hoon & Carrots | Broccoli & Carrots |
| Corn Soup | Celery Soup | Clear Mushroom Soup | Clear Sweet Potato Soup | Tomato Soup |
| Week 5 - Monday | Week 5 - Tuesday | Week 5 - Wednesday | Week 5 - Thursday | Week 5 - Friday |
| Mixed Grain Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Corn Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Mee Tai Bak |
| Tumeric Minced Chicken w Raisin | Steam Fish w Pineapple Sauce | Mix Herb Roasted Chicken | Teriyaki Steam Fish | Minced Chicken w Dark Sauce |
| Round Cabbage, Broccoli & Corn | Boy Choy w Carrots | Long Cabbage, Corn & Carrots | Round Cabbage & Celery | Cauliflower, Corn & Long Cabbage |
| Clear Cauliflower Soup | Silken Tofu Soup | Carrot Soup | Carrot Enoki Soup | Dark Soy Sauce Soup |

*Fruits Served Daily

SAMPLE Lunch Menu (Vegetarian) by WEEAT

| Week 1 - Monday | Week 1 - Tuesday | Week 1 - Wednesday | Week 1 - Thursday | Week 1 - Friday |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Mixed Grain Rice | Yellow Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Macaroni Pasta |
| Thai Basil Style Tofu & Young Corn | Steam Sweet Potato | Roasted Mixed Veg (Zucchini & Eggplant) | Adobo Style w Silky Tofu & Carrots | Mixed Veggie Soup & Vegetable Medley |
| Round Cabbage, Broccoli & Carrots | Bok Choy & Carrot | Long Cabbage & Corn | Round Cabbage w Sliced Mushroom | Potato Cake w Dill & Chives |
| Week 2 - Monday | Week 2 - Tuesday | Week 2 - Wednesday | Week 2 - Thursday | Week 2 - Friday |
| Mixed Grain Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Corn Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Bee Hoon |
| Sweet Potato Wedges | Sweet and Sour Taupok & Silken Tofu | Kurma Potatoes | Baby Corn, Silken Tofu w Ginger Sauce | Shimeji & Oyster Mushroom In Sauce |
| Cauliflower, Celery & Corn | Long Cabbage w Carrots | Shanghai Green and Carrots | Bok Choy & Carrots | Clear Veg Soup & Chap Chye |
| Week 3 - Monday | Week 3 - Tuesday | Week 3 - Wednesday | Week 3 - Thursday | Week 3 - Friday |
| Mixed Corn Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Hainanese Rice | Mixed Raisin Rice | Fusilli Pasta |
| Tofu & Shimeji In Mushroom Sauce | Roasted Broccoli w Baby Corn Stew | Potato Cakes | Herbs Potatoes w Oyster Mushroom | Mix Shimeji, Mushroom Stew & Mushroom |
| Shanghai Green w Carrots | Long Cabbage w Diced Carrots | Round Cabbage w Carrots & Corn | Broccoli, Round Cabbage and Carrots | Sliced Mushroom, Carrots & Broccoli |
| Week 4 - Monday | Week 4 - Tuesday | Week 4 - Wednesday | Week 4 - Thursday | Week 4 - Friday |
| Mixed Grain Rice | Carrot Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Margarine Rice | Spaghetti Pasta Bolognese |
| Thai Style Shimeji & Oyster Mushroom | Steamed Silken Tofu & Baby Corn w Lemon & Rosemary Sauce | Roasted Potatoes w Mushroom Sauce | Roasted Pumpkin Bok Choy | Tofu Cauliflower |
| Vegetable Medley | Long Cabbage & Corn | Round Cabbage w Carrots | Tang Hoon & Carrots | Broccoli & Carrots |
| Week 5 - Monday | Week 5 - Tuesday | Week 5 - Wednesday | Week 5 - Thursday | Week 5 - Friday |
| Mixed Grain Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Corn Rice | Mixed Grain Rice | Mee Tai Bak |
| Vegetable Samosa & Spring Rolls | Silken Tofu in Pineapple Sauce | Roasted Sweet Potato | Teriyaki Tofu | Potato Soup |
| Round Cabbage, Broccoli & Corn | Boy Choy w Carrots | Long Cabbage, Corn & Carrots | Round Cabbage, Celery & Carrots | Cauliflower, Corn & Long Cabbage |

*Fruits Served Daily

SAMPLE Snack Menu



| Day, Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Cornflakes with Milk | Strawberry Bread | Biscuit with Milk | Pandan Cake | Wholemeal Bread & Blueberry Jam |
| 2 | Honey Stars with Milk | Swiss Roll | Vanilla Cream Bread | Peach & Mango Yogurt | Chocolate Bread |
| 3 | Cornflakes with Milk | Strawberry Bread | Biscuit with Milk | Pandan Cake | Wholemeal Bread & Blueberry Jam |
| 4 | Honey Stars with Milk | Swiss Roll | Vanilla Cream Bread | Peach & Mango Yogurt | Chocolate Bread |
| 5 | Cornflakes with Milk | Strawberry Bread | Biscuit with Milk | Pandan Cake | Wholemeal Bread & Blueberry Jam |

Schedule For First 2 Days of School

On the first two days of school (**2nd & 5th Jan 2026**), only for **K1 children**, there will be a 1.5 hours experience each for both MK and KCare. Only one adult is allowed to accompany your child on the first day.

| Time | Programme |
|------------------------|-----------|
| 8.00 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. | MK |
| 9.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. | KCare |

KCare Fees

| Singapore Citizen | Singapore Permanent Resident |
|---|------------------------------|
| \$265 | \$415 |
| (Fee shown above is after \$150 basic subsidy*) | |

You may utilise the KCare Eligibility Calculator available on the MOE website to determine if your child qualifies for the KCare additional subsidy:

<https://moe.gov.sg/preschool/moe-kindergarten/kindergarten-care>

*Child must meet the minimum attendance requirement of one day per month at the centre to receive subsidies.

KCare Enrolment Requirement

- All children enrolling in KCare must submit an enrolment application
- Applicants are required to submit the application for their child's KCare enrolment online via go.gov.sg/kcare-application
- For step-by-step instructions, please refer to the **"KCare Enrolment & Subsidy Application Toolkit for Parents"** in the orientation package (see cover page on the right)
- Authentication through **Singpass login** is required
- One application is required for each child



KCare Enrolment Requirement

- If you are **eligible for KCare Additional Subsidies** (covered in the following slides), please select the **“KCare Enrolment and Additional Subsidy Application”** option to submit both applications **concurrently.**

ONLINE APPLICATION

<https://go.gov.sg/kcare-application>

Application Type

Note: The KCare centre may contact you for further documentation if required for the enrolment process.

1. Please select the type of application you are submitting

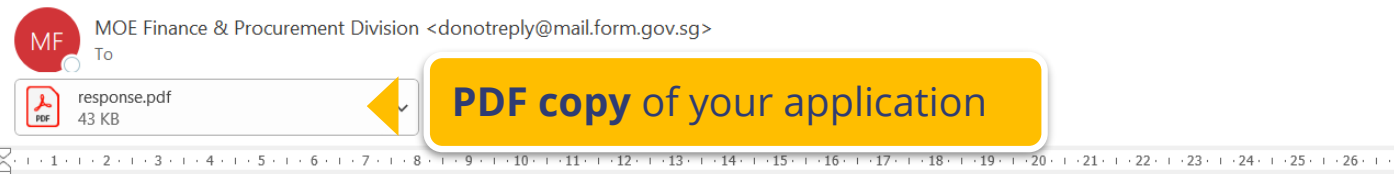
- ☐ KCare Enrolment application
- ☐ KCare Additional Subsidy application
- ☒ KCare Enrolment and Additional Subsidy application

- If you are **not eligible for KCare Additional Subsidy**, please select **“KCare Enrolment Application”**.
- If you have earlier enrolled your child into KCare and subsequently become eligible for KCare Additional Subsidy, you may apply by selecting the **“KCare Additional Subsidy Application”** option.

KCare Enrolment Requirement

- Upon successful submission of your child's enrolment application, a copy of the application will be sent to your registered email address.
- Provide a copy of your **acknowledgment PDF** (refer to sample below) to your KCare centre.

Thank you for submitting MOE KCare Enrolment and Additional Subsidy (AS) Application



Response ID:

Dear Parent/Guardian (Applicant)

We have received your child/ward's KCare enrolment and/or KCare AS application.

Please be informed that the KCare centre will contact you directly to confirm your child/ward's enrolment. Enrolment confirmation is subject to the KCare centre's available vacancies and the KCare operator's policies, which may include the payment of a registration fee, deposit, and/or the first month's KCare fee, etc.

If you have also applied for the KCare AS, subject to the confirmation of KCare enrolment, please note that we will review your application based on the eligibility criteria and inform you of the outcome within 8 weeks from the point of form submission or ECDA KiFAS subsidy approval, whichever is later. The processing duration may be longer if additional supporting documents and/or clarifications are required.

Parent/guardian of child, who is an ECDA KiFAS subsidy beneficiary, may submit a new application for the KCare AS if there are any subsequent changes in the Household Income (HHI) or Per Capita Income (PCI), or changes in applicant's working status.

Regards,
Finance and Procurement Division
Ministry of Education

KCare Subsidies

KCare subsidy is administered by MOE and provided in 2 tiers:

Basic Subsidy (BS)

- All Singapore Citizen (SC) children are eligible for and automatically given a Basic Subsidy of \$150 per month.
- No separate application is required

Additional Subsidy (AS)

- Provided in addition to Basic Subsidy upon approval of the AS application
- Tiered according to income level and provided to eligible applicants who meet the eligibility criteria

KCare Additional Subsidy

Eligibility Criteria for KCare Additional Subsidy (AS)

- Child must be a **Singapore Citizen** and an **existing beneficiary of the ECDA KiFAS subsidy*** upon subsidy application
- The applicant for the application must be the **mother or single father**
- The applicant must work **56 hours or more per month**
- Gross monthly household income of \$12,000 and below or per capita income of \$3,000 and below for larger families (5 or more family members in the same household with at least 3 dependents without income)

With effect from 9 December 2024, under the enhanced eligibility criteria, all families of Singaporean children with a gross monthly household income of up to \$6,000, or a PCI of up to \$1,500, will be eligible, regardless of the applicant's employment status.

*The Kindergarten Fee Assistance Scheme (KiFAS), which is administered by ECDA, is a means-tested subsidy to assist families in subsidising Kindergarten fees. The evaluation and eligibility of KCare AS depend on the outcome of ECDA KiFAS application.



KCare Additional Subsidy Eligibility Checker

You may utilise the KCare Eligibility Calculator available on the MOE website to determine if your child qualifies for the KCare additional subsidy:

<https://moe.gov.sg/preschool/moe-kindergarten/kindergarten-care>

KCare subsidy eligibility checker (applicable for SC child only)

An additional subsidy is also provided and this is tiered according to income levels. Enter the details to check whether your child is eligible for the additional subsidy:

 My monthly household income is 

There are people in my household.

I am a working mother or single father of my child.

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Special Approval for KCare Additional Subsidy

- KCare AS can be granted with special approval, on a case-by-case basis. If granted, the **amount and duration will depend on your circumstances.**
- For applicants who are not working*, you may apply for KCare AS (with supporting documents) if you are:
 - Seeking employment
 - Enrolled in course / training that is at least 56 hours a month
 - Medically certified unfit for work (e.g. due to pregnancy complications, hospitalisation, illness and/or permanent disability etc)
 - Caring full-time for family member due to medical reasons
 - Caring full-time for younger child aged 24 months & below
 - Receiving MSF's ComCare or under HDB Public Rental Scheme

*If the **applicant is on No-Pay Leave**, you will be considered as non-working as you do not meet the required criteria of working at least 56 hours per month.

KCare Subsidies

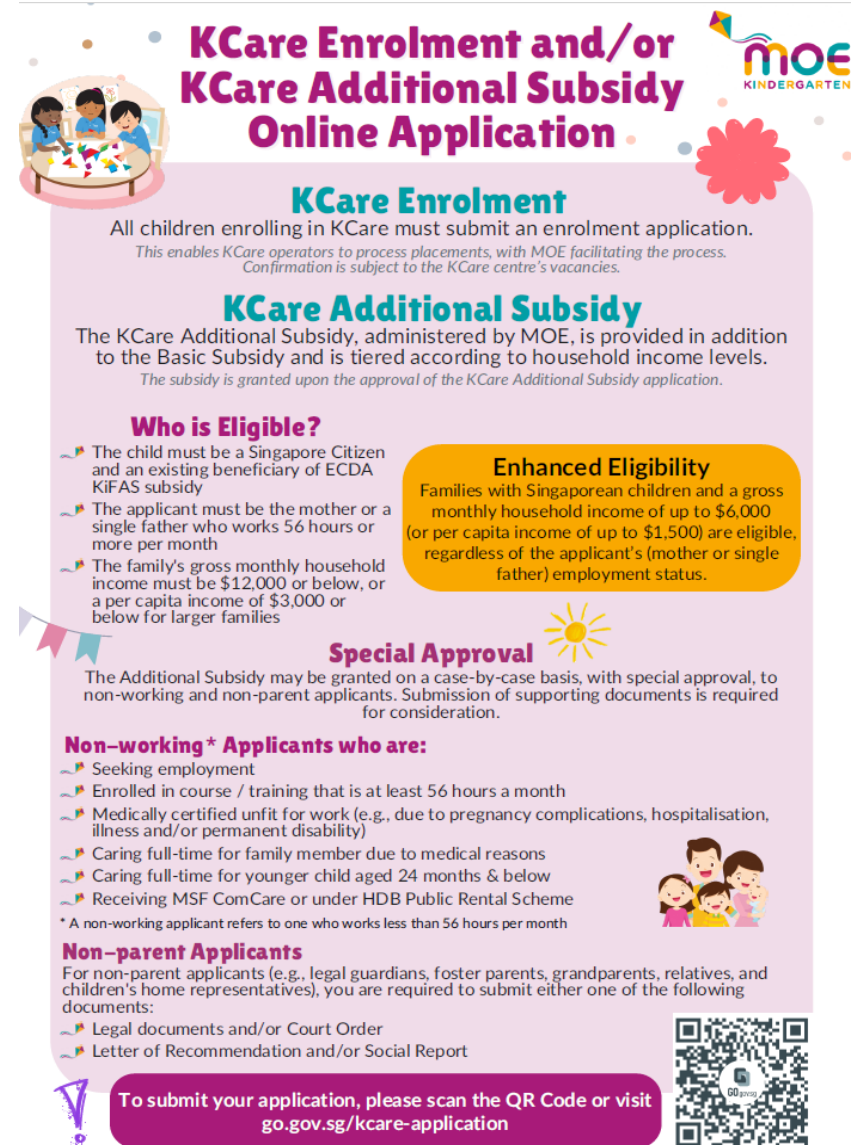
Minimum Attendance Requirement

- The child must meet the **minimum attendance requirement of one day per month** at the centre to receive subsidies, unless a valid medical certificate (MC) covers the entire month's absence (subject to MOE's approval). **MC must state the period of absence for the entire month.**
- MCs for 1 or 2 days will not be substantial to justify a full month's absence.
- Failure to meet the attendance requirement will result in the full KCare fee being payable for that month.

KCare Additional Subsidy

How do I apply for KCare Additional Subsidy (AS)?

- Applicants must submit their application for KCare AS online via go.gov.sg/kcare-application
- For step-by-step instructions, please refer to the “**KCare Enrolment & Subsidy Application Toolkit for Parents**”
- Authentication through **Singpass** login is required
- One application is required for each child
- To access the application via QR code, please refer to the “**KCare AS Application**” brochure provided in your orientation package (see brochure on the right)



KCare Enrolment and/or KCare Additional Subsidy Online Application

KCare Enrolment
All children enrolling in KCare must submit an enrolment application.
This enables KCare operators to process placements, with MOE facilitating the process. Confirmation is subject to the KCare centre's vacancies.

KCare Additional Subsidy
The KCare Additional Subsidy, administered by MOE, is provided in addition to the Basic Subsidy and is tiered according to household income levels.
The subsidy is granted upon the approval of the KCare Additional Subsidy application.

Who is Eligible?

- ▶ The child must be a Singapore Citizen and an existing beneficiary of ECDA KIFAS subsidy
- ▶ The applicant must be the mother or a single father who works 56 hours or more per month
- ▶ The family's gross monthly household income must be \$12,000 or below, or a per capita income of \$3,000 or below for larger families

Enhanced Eligibility
Families with Singaporean children and a gross monthly household income of up to \$6,000 (or per capita income of up to \$1,500) are eligible, regardless of the applicant's (mother or single father) employment status.

Special Approval
The Additional Subsidy may be granted on a case-by-case basis, with special approval, to non-working and non-parent applicants. Submission of supporting documents is required for consideration.

Non-working * Applicants who are:


- ▶ Seeking employment
- ▶ Enrolled in course / training that is at least 56 hours a month
- ▶ Medically certified unfit for work (e.g., due to pregnancy complications, hospitalisation, illness and/or permanent disability)
- ▶ Caring full-time for family member due to medical reasons
- ▶ Caring full-time for younger child aged 24 months & below
- ▶ Receiving MSF ComCare or under HDB Public Rental Scheme

* A non-working applicant refers to one who works less than 56 hours per month

Non-parent Applicants
For non-parent applicants (e.g., legal guardians, foster parents, grandparents, relatives, and children's home representatives), you are required to submit either one of the following documents:

- ▶ Legal documents and/or Court Order
- ▶ Letter of Recommendation and/or Social Report

To submit your application, please scan the QR Code or visit go.gov.sg/kcare-application



KCare Additional Subsidy

Special Cases

- Non-parent applicants (e.g., legal guardians, foster parents, grandparents, relatives, and children's home representatives) will be required to submit relevant supporting documents.

Subsidy Assessment and Processing Timeline

- The commencement date for the KCare AS is determined based on the enrolment date, ECDA KiFAS subsidy effective start date or application date, whichever is later.
- **Backdating of the KCare AS start date is not permitted.** To avoid delays in receiving the KCare AS, please **submit your application as early as possible.**
- The average processing time is about **8 weeks from the point of application submission or ECDA KiFAS subsidy approval**, whichever is later.

Communication

At Raffles Student Care, we encourage and appreciate frequent communication between the KCare operator and parents.

Contact Operating Hours

Mondays to Fridays*: 10.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.

School Closure Days/School Holidays: 7.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.

*Closed on Saturdays, Sundays, Public Holidays, Teacher's Day, Children's Day and up to 6 additional days each year

Contact Details

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