



Schule Obersiggenthal

Schulleitung

Our child starts kindergarten



Dear parents,

The following essential information will help you and your child get ready for the kindergarten period. We wish you and your child an eventful and happy time in the kindergarten!

The task of kindergarten Children learn a lot through play in kindergarten. Playing is the way of life and a learning method in kindergarten. While playing, a child develops his/her abilities, gathers valuable experiences and acquires social skills. Pre-school teachers use creative tools in order to support children in their development and learning processes as well as encouraging them to act independently. Children attend kindergarten for two years, the attendance is compulsory and free of charge. At times, children are additionally being supported during lessons by a school curative teacher or a kindergarten teacher of German language.

Timetable (1st Kiga = children in the first year of kindergarten)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception time 8:00 - 8:20 a.m.	all children	all children	2nd Kiga	all children	all children
Core time 8:20 - 11.50 a.m.					
Leaving time 11:50 - 12:00 p.m.					
Reception time 1:20 - 1:30 p.m.		1st Kiga		2nd Kiga	
Core time 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.					
Leaving time 3:00 - 3:05 p.m.					

The reception times are the periods during which your child can arrive at the kindergarten and will be welcomed by a teacher. For your child's safety, we kindly ask you not to send him/her there any earlier. Children, who arrive too early, will be unattended. Children arriving later than 8:20 a.m. respectively later than 1:30 p.m. will interrupt lessons in progress, or, perhaps find themselves standing in front of locked door. Children leave the kindergarten and go home at 12:00 p.m. respectively at 3:10 p.m. at the latest.

Holidays and absences The holiday and absence regulation complies with the rules of the Obersiggenthal school. You as parents are obliged to explain every absence of your child from lessons to the teacher.















Class allocation There are 10 kindergarten departments available in the Municipality of Obersiggenthal. The school management will divide children into classes by the beginning of April. The allocation is done based on guidelines of the Aargau Department of Education, Culture and Sport (BKS). Individual allocation wishes of parents can not be met due to administrative reasons.

Obtaining information By the end of April, you and your child will receive a personal invitation from the kindergarten teacher to spend one afternoon in the kindergarten. From that time on, your child's kindergarten teacher is available to answer your individual questions. However, we kindly ask you to refrain from interrupting the lessons. The teachers will be happy to discuss your child's progress and show you how you can encourage and guide your child's individual learning process. The supervisor of teachers is the director of the kindergarten. If needed, feel free to make an appointment for a meeting:

www.schule-obersiggenthal.ch/kindergarten.



Getting your child ready for kindergarten

		<p>Your child is fully awake and receptive in the morning. Parents are responsible for sufficient sleep (10 – 12 hours) and enough energy (breakfast).</p>
		<p>Your child is able to walk to the kindergarten unaccompanied or at the beginning with someone.</p>
		<p>Your child is able to put on and take off his/her shoes and clothes independently.</p>
		<p>Your child is able to stay in kindergarten for 4 hours without the presence of a family member or other caregiver.</p>
		<p>Your child has social contacts with other children beyond the family (for example at the playground). Your child treats other people with respect.</p>
		<p>As a rule, your child doesn't need diapers anymore. Your child uses toilette independently. Your child can wipe his/her own butt. Your child flushes the toilet without being asked to. Your child washes his/her hands independently. Your child can clean his/her nose independently.</p>
		<p>Your child can eat snacks brought from home on his/her own.</p>
		<p>Your child can use coloured pencils, scissors, glue and duct tape properly.</p>

Counseling

If you have further questions or need guidance pertaining to the above-mentioned topics, don't hesitate to contact the respective specialists:

- **Pediatrician**
- **Mother and Father Counselling in the Baden area** (free of charge, wide range of consulting services for parents and caregivers of children aged 0-5) www.mvb-baden.ch
- **Stiftung Netz** (development questions/ early curative education/ early speech therapy) www.stiftungnetz.ch
- **BZBplus Baden** (support and coaching in parenting) www.bzbplus.ch