

Cooee 🙋 Is your little one Prep-ready?

The September school holidays are the perfect window to get a clear picture before the big Prep start, and to lock in a spot in one of our favourite holiday groups.

Hi there,

Starting Prep is a big step for kids and grown-ups alike! Whether you've got a niggling feeling something's not quite clicking yet, or you just want the reassurance of a professional opinion, we've made it easy to get clarity these holidays.

60-SECOND CHECK-IN

Tick off what sounds like your child

- ☐ Can follow two instructions in a row (e.g. "get your shoes and put them by the door")
- ☐ Speaks clearly enough that people outside the family understand them
- ☐ Can hold a pencil/crayon and attempt to draw or "write"
- ☐ Can sit and listen to a short story
- ☐ Plays and shares comfortably alongside other children

Ticked most of them? Great news either way. Not sure, or a couple felt tricky? That's exactly what a Prep Readiness Screener is for.

NEW THIS TERM

Introducing The Prep Pathway: into Prep 2027

Strong communication and everyday skills set children up for learning. We've mapped out a simple pathway so you always know the next step between now and your child's first day of Prep: start with a screener to see where they're at, then build skills in a small group.

- ① **September Holidays 2026:** Prep Readiness Screeners (SP & OT, 30 min each)
- ② **Term 4, 2026:** Prep Readiness Weekly Group (term-based, SP & OT)
- ③ **Dec / Jan 2027:** Prep Readiness Intensive (holiday intensive, SP & OT)

OT)

 **2027:** Start Prep, ready and confident

Step 1: Prep Readiness Screeners

A 30-minute snapshot, by appointment, from the **September school holidays**. Not a full assessment or diagnosis, just a clear, practical read on where your child is at, with a short summary report and next steps. A quick online questionnaire is completed beforehand.

Speech Pathology Screener: \$160

Speech clarity, language & storytelling, following directions, early sound awareness, plus a parent questionnaire.

Occupational Therapy Screener: \$176

Fine & visual-motor skills, pencil grasp, cutting, gross motor, executive functioning and sensory processing.

Step 2: School Readiness Groups

Small, therapist-led and play-based. They build on what the screener tells you, in a fun group setting.

Ready Bodies, Ready Words

SP & OT · Ages 4–5
Language, early literacy, thinking and movement skills for classroom readiness.

Word Wizards

AHA · Ages 4–5
Rhyming, syllables and first sounds: the sound and book skills that lay the foundation for reading and writing.

Call (07) 3265 4495 to lock in a screener →

We're putting the finishing touches on online booking for screeners. For now, give us a call or [register your interest here](#) and we'll be in touch the moment slots open.

Not sure where to start? Just ask. 



SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS

Fun, small-group programs: bookings open now

These groups are as fun as they are effective: small groups, hands-on activities, and real progress on the goals that matter. New and existing clients both welcome. They book out fast, so grab a spot early!

Letter Legends

Prep–Grade 1

Hands-on handwriting confidence: pencil grip, letter formation, and making writing fun again.

Building Connections

Ages 6–9

Kids who love LEGO® build teamwork, turn-taking and conversation skills, one brick at a time.

Feelings Detectives

Ages 7–10

Small groups of 4 learn to notice body signals and build emotional awareness through play.

Story Explorers

Ages 6–8

Stories and discussion build comprehension and the confidence to join in classroom chat.

Speech Stars

Ages 3.5–5

Play-based sessions to build clearer, more confident speech sounds.

Teens Group

New this year

[See the flyer](#) for full details.

[View all September holiday groups →](#)

New to Cooee? Groups start with a quick 30-minute intake so we can match your child to the right fit.

OUT AND ABOUT

We recently presented for the Down Syndrome & Intellectual Disability Queensland community

Our Speech Pathologist Libby and Occupational Therapist Jaime were guest presenters for **DSIDQ's MyTime Education Series**, an online session for parents and carers of people with Down syndrome or intellectual disability.

The session covered three practical areas caregivers can use every day: **sensory processing** (what it is and simple, meaningful ways to support it), **emotional regulation** (how it develops and strategies for big feelings), and **communication** (the key skills involved, and tips to support connection).

Attendance and engagement on the day were wonderful, and we walked away hoping it gave every caregiver in the room a few strategies they could start using straight away.

Sessions like this are exactly the kind of thing we love bringing to parent groups, playgroups, or school communities, big or small, and shaped around whatever your group needs most.

[Ask about a talk for your group →](#)

Get in touch with our Services Coordinator, Thida, at thida@cooeespeech.com.au. We're always happy to see what we can do to fit your group's budget.

LET'S MEET IN PERSON

Say hello to Libby, our Community Lead

Libby would love to meet with your parent group, school community, or organisation to chat about where Cooee can best support the families around you. No agenda, just a conversation about what you need.

It's also a great time to talk about printed **Home Handbook** content for your community, or any other resources you're after. We're always keen to create something useful.

[Reach out to Libby →](#)

libby@cooeespeech.com.au

Not sure where to start?

Book a Client Journey Planning session and we'll help you figure out the right first step for your child, no pressure, just a friendly chat.

[Book a Client Journey Planning session →](#)

We can't wait to help your family have the best possible start to Prep.

Cooee 

The Cooee Speech Pathology Team

Cooee Speech Pathology



Proud partner of the Kids Matters Community Foundation

2-4/468 Enoggera Road, Alderley QLD 4051 | (07) 3265 4495

[Facebook](#) [Instagram](#) [LinkedIn](#)

You're receiving this because you subscribed to Cooee's Family newsletter.
[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update preferences](#)