When I was one, I had just begun.

When I was two, I was nearly new.

When I was three, I was almost me.

When I was four, I was not much more.

When I was five, I was just alive.

But now I am six, I'm as clever as clever

So I think I'll be six now, For ever and ever.

A.A. Milne



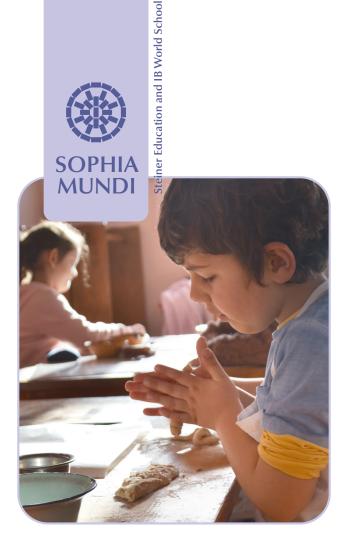
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## Prep

A Journey Begins

Sophia Mundi Steiner School An inspirational education The Prep class at Sophia Mundi is the final phase of early childhood; a time when the young child prepares to enter the more extended world of middle childhood. In support of this preparation we provide the children with a warm, nurturing environment within which they may play and grow.

In our Prep class the child is held securely within a strong daily rhythm which allows for periods of free play balanced with times of group activities such as story telling, meals and circle time. We continue to work with the learning paths of imitation and imagination, to develop the child's social skills and creative impulses.

During free play time many activities are happening around the children. We may be baking, gardening or caring for our animals, cleaning and supporting our environment, mending or making materials for our room.

We sew and learn to knit, we do woodwork and weave, dye wool, paint, draw and go for walks by the river. At the end of each term we celebrate a colourful seasonal festival to connect with the rhythm of the year.

If a child in their play has been able to give up their whole living-being to the world around, they will be able, in the serious tasks of later life, to devote herself to the service of the world.

- Rudolf Steiner

## Daily Program

- 8:45 School Starts
- 9:00 Morning Circle, movement, song & rhyme
- 9:30 Free Play
- 10:45 Morning Tea
- II:00 Outdoor Program
- 12:30 Story Time
- 12:45 Lunch Time
- 1:30 Rest Time
- 2:15 Afternoon Activity
- 3:00 School Finishes

Prep is staffed by a full time early childhood teacher and an assistant who work to nourish and guide the children through their journey.

All food is provided for the children and is biodynamic or organic based and freshly prepared.

Attendance is five days per week Monday to Friday.

To qualify for enrolment children must be five years old by December 31st the year prior to attendance.