

## Information About Early Childhood Education in Seinäjoki

### What is Early Childhood Education?

Early childhood education in Finland is not just childcare. It supports the child's learning, development, and well-being. It is part of the Finnish education system. Early childhood education continues until the child starts school (the year the child turns 7).

### Applying for a placement in Early Childhood Education

Apply for early childhood or pre-primary education electronically:

<https://seinajoki.daisynet.fi/eDaisy>

If you cannot apply online, contact:

Sari Salmenoja - [sari.salmenoja@seinajoki.fi](mailto:sari.salmenoja@seinajoki.fi)

You can list two daycare preferences, but the placement may not match your wishes. If nearby daycare centers are full, your child may be placed in another part of the city. Transportation is not provided.

You will receive a decision about the placement approximately two weeks before the start date.

### Placement Timeframe

If both parents are working or studying, a place will be arranged within two weeks of receiving the application.

If only one parent is working or studying, the waiting time can be up to four months.

### Contact Information

Southern area: Mari Koski-Aho

044 418 1234 | [mari.koski-aho@seinajoki.fi](mailto:mari.koski-aho@seinajoki.fi)

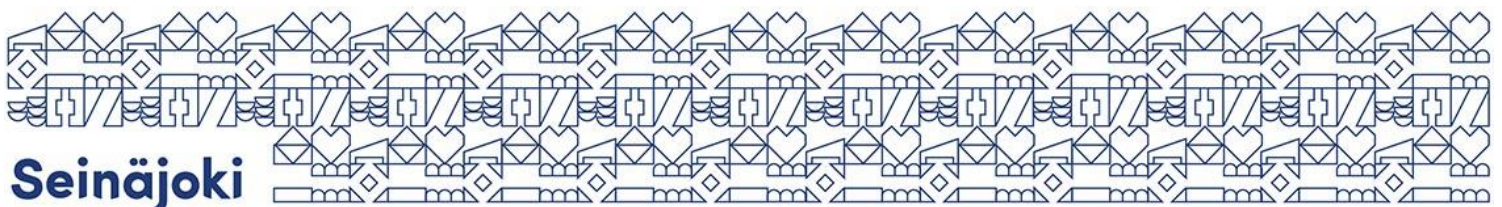
Northern area: Kaija Raja-Aho

050 354 9304 | [kaija.raja-aho@seinajoki.fi](mailto:kaija.raja-aho@seinajoki.fi)

### More Information Online

[Early childhood education and preschool education | Seinäjoen kaupunki](#)

Integration Services Map [Kotoutumisen palvelukartta | Seinäjoen kaupunki](#)



## Important Information About Daycare

### Communication

Communication happens through the Daisy system:

<https://seinajoki.daisyfamily.fi/login>

Guardians' email addresses must be up to date.

### Attendance Hours

The length of the child's daycare day depends on the parent's work or study schedule.

Attendance hours must be booked in advance via Daisy. <https://seinajoki.daisyfamily.fi/login>

Guide to making care time reservations [https://www.seinajoki.fi/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/daisyfamilyn-hoitovarausten-ohje\\_english.pdf](https://www.seinajoki.fi/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/daisyfamilyn-hoitovarausten-ohje_english.pdf)

Changes must be reported in advance.

Sick children must not be brought to daycare.

### Clothing

Children must have weather-appropriate clothing:

In winter:

Snowsuit, wool overall, neck warmer, hat, mittens, winter boots

In spring/summer/autumn:

Outdoor suit, light hat, rain gear, rubber boots

Additionally:

Spare clothes (pants, shirt, socks, underwear)

Indoor shoes, comfort toy, pacifier, diapers (if needed)

Label all clothing with the child's name

### Example Daily Schedule

Time - Activity

7:45 - Arrival at daycare

8:00 - Breakfast

8:30 - Play / outdoor activities

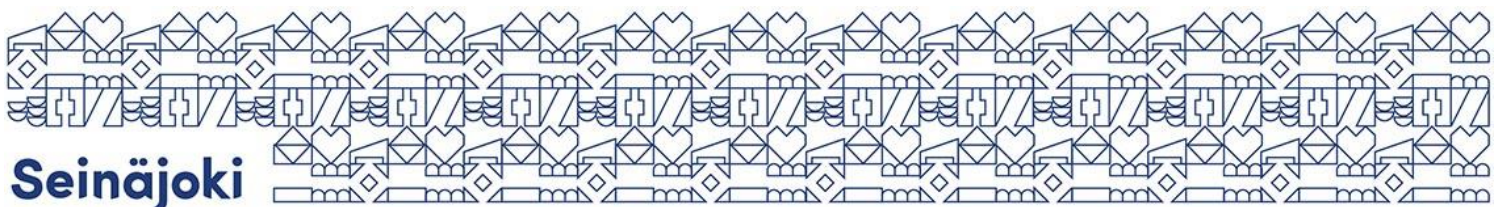
11:00 - Lunch

12:00 - Nap / play

14:00 - Snack

14:30 - Outdoor play

16:00 - Going home



## Holidays and Public Holidays 📅

Autumn break: week 42

Winter break: week 9

Daycare centers are closed on public holidays (except for the 24-hour daycare Taika)

Summer break: (June - July)

Some daycare centers will be open during the summer break. They will be announced during spring.

Public holidays in Finland include:

New Year's Day (January 1)

Epiphany (January 6)

Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Easter Monday

May Day (May 1)

Ascension Thursday (May)

Midsummer's Day (June)

Independence Day (December 6)

Christmas (December 24-26)

Daycare centers are closed on public holidays (except for the Taika daycare center).

## Cooperation with Parents 🤝

Parents and daycare staff work together to support the child's development.

There are parent meetings and discussions (e.g., early education plan meetings - VASU).

## Language and Culture 🖍️

Children receive support in learning Finnish.

Daycares value the child's own language and culture.

Interpretation or translated materials can be provided if needed.

## Income Declaration and fees 📄

When daycare begins, submit your income information in eDaisy:

<https://seinajoki.daisynet.fi/eDaisy>

If needed, contact: Sari Saranpää - [sari.saranpaa@seinajoki.fi](mailto:sari.saranpaa@seinajoki.fi)

Fees are based on family income.

Low-income families may receive discounts or free early childhood education.

Submit income information on time.

[Early childhood education fee | Seinäjoen kaupunki](#)

