

Parent Information for Kindy Transition

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Catholic Primary School,
West Pymble





Agenda

- 1. Prayer/Acknowledgement of Country/Vision and Mission**
- 2. Kindy Transition Days: Tuesday 16 Nov and Tuesday 23 Nov 9am –11am**
- 3. Starting School in 2022 and Getting Ready for School**

OLPS School Prayer

This is our School
let peace dwell here.
Let the rooms be full of contentment.
Let love abide: love of God,
love of one another,
and love of life itself.
Let us remember that as many hands
make a house,
so many hearts make a school.
AMEN



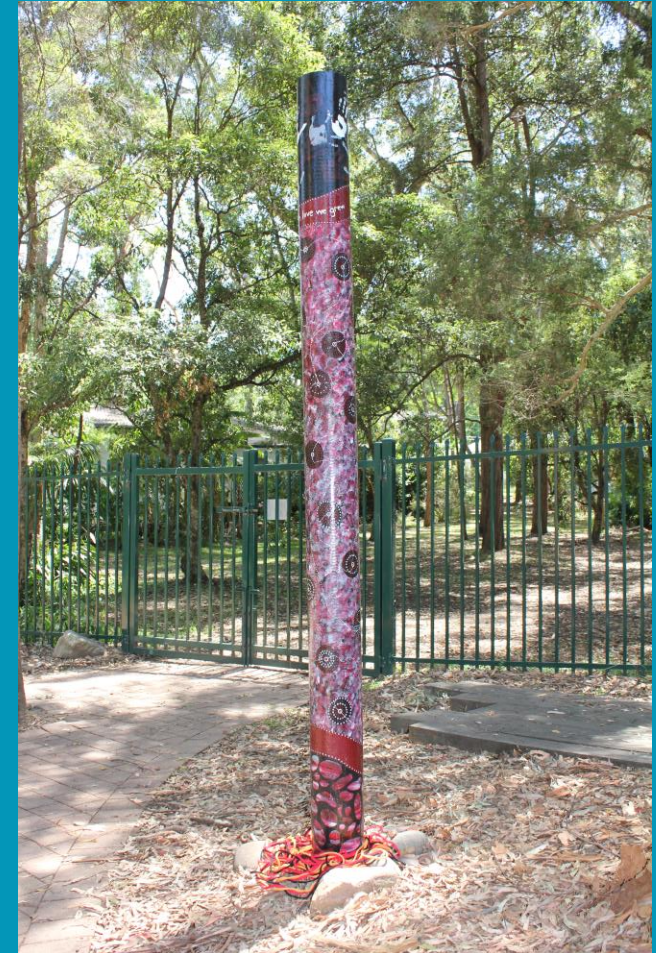
Acknowledgment of Country

We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land that our school is on, the Terramerragal people of the Eora Nation.

We would like to pay our respects to Elders past and present, there is so much we can learn from them, and support Aboriginal leaders of the future.

This always was and always will be
Aboriginal land.

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Vision and Mission

Our vision is that OLPS will be recognised as a welcoming and contemporary Catholic school where our innovative learning environment prepares students to be future ready for secondary school and life beyond.

It is the mission that of all members of the OLPS community work together to provide a learning environment which:

- **Offers** a nurturing environment where committed and passionate teachers prioritise students' social and emotional well-being.
- **Lives** our shared values of love, compassion, courage and joy as we welcome all families with a diversity of backgrounds to join our Faith filled school.
- **Promotes** future focused and deep learning experiences that prepares students for success in a changing world.
- **Supports** opportunities for every child to be challenged to be their very best.



Kindy Transition Days

- **Tuesday 16 November 9am –11am**
(Please do not arrive before 9am)
- **Tuesday 23 November 9am –11am**
(Please do not arrive before 9am)



PURPOSE

1. Familiarize students with the OLPS environment so that they experience a secure and welcoming place.
2. Opportunity for the students to get to know each other and their teacher.
3. Opportunity for the teacher to observe students and begin to identify individual needs.
4. Provide a positive and exciting learning experience which inspires students to learn and grow.



COVID Safe Procedures for Transition

- Your child must be well to attend the program
- Fully vaccinated parents or carers may accompany students on site outdoors
- QR code onto school site and show vaccination status
- Sign in your child
- Use hand sanitizer provided
- School Hygienist to sanitize high touch areas throughout the session
- Parents are welcome to coffee at Brick Lane from 9:45-10.45
- Pick up from the School Hall

Kindergarten 2022

- Kindy Teacher: Miss Emily Channell
- Class Composition: 25 students
- 13 new families and 10 current families
- Class Parents



Activities to Engage Learning

- The Belonging Tree activity with parents, outdoors Tuesday 16 Nov at 9:15am
- Literacy Tasks
- Numeracy Tasks
- Preparing for school – pack a bag, wear a uniform, what's for lunch



Starting Kindy in 2022 and Getting Ready for School

- **First Full Day: Thursday
3 February 2022**



Best Start

One on one interview with class teacher. Book in via Compass.

Dates:

- Monday 31 January 2022
- Tuesday 1 February 2022
- Wednesday 2 February 2022

In Broken Bay Catholic Schools our aim is for all children to have the Best Start to school.



Best Start Assessment is designed to:

The Best Start Kindergarten Assessment is designed to: (Select all responses that apply)

- ☐ be a one-on-one assessment for all Kindergarten students upon entry to school.
- ☐ be supported by software that captures student information to support future planning.
- ☐ provide teachers with information to plan for differentiated teaching and learning.
- ☐ provide the best possible start to formal school education for all students.
- ☐ identify each student's early literacy and numeracy skills.

A Day in the life of Kindy

- Drop off between 8:25am-8:50am (Teacher supervision on playground)
- Into class: 8:50am
- 8:50-9am Admin/getting settled/roll call
- 9am-11am English Block
- 11am Recess
- 11:30-12:30 Mathematics Block
- Additional Key Learning Area
- Lunch
- Additional Key Learning Areas
- 3:05 Dismissal



Monday 21 February 2022, we will hold a Kindergarten Parent Information Night focusing on curriculum and Kindergarten expectations.

Specialist classes

- Kindergarten will participate in the following lessons at various points throughout the week with specialist teachers. The days for each of these lessons will be announced early next year.



Extra Curricula

- Drama Lessons
- Tennis Lessons
- Instrumental Lessons (Yr 3-6)
- Guitar Lessons (Yr 3-6)

Arrival and Dismissal

8:25am-8:50am Arrival:

- Kendall Street Gate 1
- Grayling Road Gate 4
- FJ's sent to playground between 8:25am-8:50am

3:05pm Dismissal:

- Kindy Classroom
- Kendall St Gate 1 (teacher supervision)
- Grayling Rd Gate 4 (teacher supervision)
- FJ's-Carers will come and collect Kindy children from their classroom

COVID Restrictions:

- Possibility that parents will need to stay outside school grounds at drop off and pick up.

Communication

- Compass – administrative communication from the school
- What's the Buzz in Kindergarten? – A focus on the learning occurring in your child's classroom from your child's teacher
- Here We Grow – A whole school bi-termly publication celebrating school and student achievement

You can communicate with the school via the School Office and with your child's classroom teacher via email.

Class Parents will establish a What's App group to reinforce information from the school. This is also a means of connecting with each other socially.

Compass

- Attendance rolls are marked through Compass.
- As a parent, it is your role to record absences on Compass to inform the school that your child will be absent. This needs to be completed prior to the start of the school day.
 - Due to COVID Health Orders, students are not to attend school with cold or flu-like symptoms. If they are sick at school, they will be sent home.
- Compass is also used to distribute your child's school report (2 per year)
- Keep the school up to date with any changes in your personal details (eg, address, phone number etc)
- If you have any problems using Compass, contact Mrs Berry in the School Office.

Food/Lunchboxes

We have 3 food breaks each day:

- Fruit Break – within the Literacy Block
 - A small, separate container (or piece) of fruit/vegetable to snack on mid-morning.
- Morning Tea
- Lunch

It is a good idea to practice with your child how to open each container. ***Please ensure that EVERY container that you send to school has your child's name clearly marked on it.***

School Canteen

Lunch orders can be ordered from the Canteen on Monday and Wednesday. You can purchase a reusable lunch order bag from the School Office.

Money for the canteen-small money purse, appropriate sums of money



Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL)



At OLPS we show
Love of Learning

Learn and let others learn



Be in the right place at the
right time



Be prepared



Have a go and do your
best



Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL)



At OLPS we show
Love of Self and Others

Listen to others



Speak and act with
kindness



Use safe and caring
actions



Know the rules,
play by the rules



Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL)



At OLPS we show
Love of Place

Care for the environment



Care for school property



Care for my belongings



Care for the belongings of others



What to expect in the first few weeks of Kindy

- Best Start Assessment
- Learning about their school – places, people etc
- Following routines
- Establishing classroom learning behaviours
- Becoming more independent
- Covering the ES1 Curriculum
- Parent/Teacher Interactions
- Tired children!!



Kindy Essentials

- Label all belongings
- Satchel, hats and raincoats
- Establish routines before and after school
- Teach your child manners
- Separating from your child
- Personal Hygiene
- Birthday parties and celebrating birthdays at school
- No nuts at OLPS or sharing of food
- Talk to the teacher if you have concerns



Call to Action... What you need to do now....

1. **School communication:** Log into Compass using Username and Password
2. **Uniform Orders:** online with delivery to the school office for pick up

Visit the OLPS Website:

<https://www.olpsdbb.catholic.edu.au/school-community/information-for-olps-families/uniform-shop/>

Second-hand uniforms are passed on via a closed private Facebook group (details will be available through your class parents).

3. **Book Orders:** through Books and Beyond <https://booksandbeyond.com.au/>
4. **Best Start Assessment:** Please book a timeslot for your child through Compass
5. **Before and After School Care:** FJ's enrolment forms will be available 16th November 2021 (These forms can be returned to the school next week in Transition Session 3)
6. **Fill out forms** in your Transition Pack and return to school on 16 Nov