



Hornsby Heights Public School

2021 Kindergarten Information Night



Welcome



Katrin Cornell – Principal



Laura Rosier – Assistant Principal
(Kindergarten)

School Context



School Programs



Whole School Programs

Specialist Music, Drama and library lessons

Dance Lessons K-6

Project Based Learning

STEAM Learning (Interdisciplinary learning)

Visible Learning – Learning Dispositions to help student learn how to be a learner

Connect 2 Learn Program

Whole School Public Speaking Competitions

Enrichment Classes (writing)

Excursions and incursion

Wellbeing Programs

Positive Behaviour for Engaging Learning (PBEL)

Buddy Program

Playmates Transition to the Playground Program

Peer Support Program



Band

Extra-curricular Activities



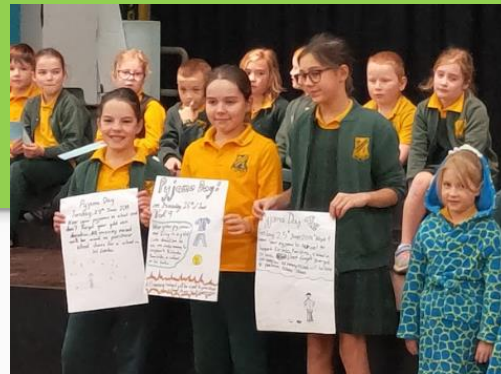
Knitter Natters



Debating



Swimming Scheme



SRC



Dance

PSSA



Tournament of the Minds



Choir



Eco Garden/Green Team

Partners in Learning

Important Information we need to share...

- **Parent Questionnaire** so we can get to know your child
- **Medical information**, especially allergies, asthma and anaphylaxis
- Any **special needs**, reports or assessments (Speech and OT)
- Important **family circumstances** e.g. divorce, overseas travel by one parent, illness in the family, court orders
- PLEASE, if you are unsure always feel welcome to email or call the office!

Communication

Whole School Communication

- Enews App (Notes and Newsletter)
- Newsletter (Fortnightly Publication)
- Termly Stage Newsletter
- School Website

<http://www.hornsbyhts-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Classroom Communication

- Seesaw

Call the Office 8:30am- 3:30pm

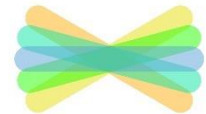
Face to face with your class teacher



**Internet Publishing
Agreement**



SchoolEnews



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Transition to School Plan

Early Birds

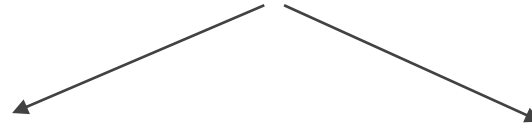


Week 1
(19 October)

Cancelled

Early Birds

Week 2 (26 October) & Week 3 (2 November)



As planned on site with adjustments made based on DEC guidelines

or

Second **take home pack** prepared for families.

Families will be notified on 12 October

Preparing your child for school

Literacy - How can you help at home?

- Read picture books to your child every night
- Make reading an enjoyable family activity
- Children point to words as you read them out
- Read words in the environment (street signs)
- Read anywhere at any time – books, magazines, cereal boxes, shop signs
- Make up stories – begin with simple ones and let your child finish it



Preparing your child for school

Literacy - How can you help at home?

- Encourage any type of writing - letters, shopping lists, birthday cards
- Coloring in and drawing pictures
- Write their name
- Hold a pencil correctly
- Play with play dough to enhance fine motor skills
- Use glue and scissors as much as possible
- Encourage, encourage, encourage!



Preparing your child for school

Mathematics - How can you help at home?

- Playing board games
- Rolling dice and seeing what number comes up
- Counting forwards and backwards
- Reading numbers in the environment (letter boxes)
- Finding patterns in the environment together
- Take them shopping and use coins
- Simple dot to dot or colour by number activities



Parent Information Pack

What you will find...

- Early Birds Information
- Communication and online school platform information
- School Information Booklet
- P&C Booklet
- Publishing and Internet Agreement
- Uniform Order Form and Price List
- School Preparation Information
- Parent Questionnaire
- Speech and Language Information



Best Start

Best Start Kindergarten Assessment is a state-wide assessment that helps teachers identify the literacy and numeracy skills of each student at the beginning of Kindergarten.



What do we need to do now?

- Carefully read the **Parent Information Pack**
- **Sign up to Enews** (Kindy 2021 Notifications)
- Return your **Permission to Publish/ICT Agreement Form** with both sides ticked and signed. We can then add you to the Kindy 2021 Seesaw Group and begin interacting with the students. Forms can be dropped back to the box in the office.
- Contact **OOSH** if you are wanting to enroll
- Ensure all enrollment documents are completed and update the office with any changes
- Contact Laura Rosier if you feel there is anything you wish to discuss further or that we need to be aware about
- Check emails and Enews for notifications regarding Early Birds
- Talk to your child about starting school using the materials we have provided



Questions?



- When will we know who my child's teacher is?
- Can I request that my child be in the same class as someone they know?
- What do I do if my child isn't separating from me easily when school starts?
- What if I am not sure if my child is ready for school or not?



Thank you for joining us tonight

