Prep 2015

Information Night
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• What you need to know for next year and helping to prepare your child
Before each school day discuss with your child:

• Where to meet you after school
• What they think they might do at school
• What you will be doing while they are at school

HINTS
✓ We suggest you meet your child outside their classroom at the end of each day. This reassures them and makes them feel safe.
Be sun Smart

Slip, Slop, Slap…

• As part of school policy, all students must wear a navy blue sun hat outside in Terms one, two and four.

HINT

✓ Please teach your child how to apply sunscreen if you wish them to use it when they are outside.
Toileting

Ensure your child can go to the toilet independently.

Please inform your child’s teacher if this is a concern at the start of the year.

HINTS

✓ Make sure your child knows about personal hygiene – washing hands, flushing toilets, etc.

✓ Place a change of clothes in the bottom of their school bag in case of accidents.
Money & the canteen

Help your child to be independent by:

- Placing money in a zip lock bag or an envelope with your child’s name and order clearly labelled.
- Reminding your child to place their lunch order in the lunch order tub.
- Lunch orders will be delivered to the classroom at lunchtime.
Packing up

✔ If your child can put things away, it ensures clothes and other personal items are not lost.

✔ Give your child simple jobs to do around the house to help develop responsibility and confidence.

✔ Make sure their bag is big enough to carry a jumper, lunch box, reading folder and notices.

✔ Give your child opportunities to practise packing, unpacking and using the zipper of their bag.

Hint: Always clearly label all of your child’s belongings.
Ensure your child can manage food packaging on their own.

**HINTS**

- Practise opening containers, unwrapping and eating food they will have before they start school.
- Make sure they know what they are expected to eat at lunch time.
- If your child has a lunch order, make sure they still bring fruit, water bottle and morning snack.
Help your child to establish friendships with new children by:

-Showing your child how to introduce themself to their new classmates.
-Inviting someone new home to play after school.
Identification

Can your child …

• Recognise and/or write their name?
• Identify personal items easily? E.g. Jumper and school hat

HINT

✓ Write your child’s name in/on all personal items
✓ Add colourful tags/ribbons to schoolbags, making them easily recognisable to your child.
Clothing

Ensure your child can manage their clothing on their own.

**HINT**

Practise the following with your child:

- shoelaces/velcro laces
- press studs
- buttons
- zippers
- school bags
- lunchboxes
- food packaging
Language Development

Ensure your child can...

- Verbalise his/her needs
- Listen when they are being spoken to
- Understand and follow simple instructions

HINTS

✓ Practise at home by role modelling good manners
✓ Encourage them to speak reasonably clearly and face the person to whom they are talking.
Learning

- Read as often as possible with/to your child (at least once a day)
- Have conversations about things that are important to your child
- Encourage your child to recognise letters and numbers in their environment
Home Learning

• Utilise the resources and websites provided in the transition pack

• Talk positively about school and learning.

• We want your child to have the BEST POSSIBLE start to their school life!
Prep Transition Dates

• Prep transition will be beginning soon!
• Wednesday 22\textsuperscript{nd} October
• Wednesday 29\textsuperscript{th} October
• Wednesday 5\textsuperscript{th} November
• Wednesday 12\textsuperscript{th} November
• Each session will run from either
• 9:30am to 11:00am or 11:40am to 1:10pm.
Transition Information

Where?

• Meet in the **old gym (hall)** at your designated starting time

• Find your child’s name on a coloured poster and line up in front of it

• Keep in mind these are transition groups and not your child’s allocated 2015 grade
Transition Information

What does my child need?

Please pack the following in a backpack:

• Sun hat
• Water bottle
Transition Information

What will I be doing?

• Wave goodbye to your child as they go with the teacher.
• You will be directed to the 1 hour parent information session held in the staffroom.
• If possible it would be best for young children to be looked after during this hour.
• Please see your flyer for more details.
Transition Information

What will your child be doing?

• Experiencing some of the specialist programs offered at KVPS
• Becoming familiar with the classroom environment
• Using classroom materials
• Working with other students
Orientation Day

• This is the day your child will meet their teacher for 2015!
• Tuesday 9th December
• You will receive more information via mail closer to the date.
Transition Packs

• On the last day of transition, you will receive one of Kilberry Valley’s transition packs. This will assist your child’s transition to primary school.
• It contains activities and resources that will benefit your child’s learning.
• You will find out more about this at the parent information sessions!
This is what Prep is all about!

- Having fun
- Making friends
- Exciting new experiences
- Developing confidence and independence

Learning, learning, learning!
School Uniform

• School uniforms, school bags and accessories can be purchased from the Primary School Wear Uniform Shop.

The Uniform Shop is open at Unit 2, 10-12 South Link Road, Hampton Park
(near the Beaurepaires Tyre Shop),
Mel Ref: 95 J5

The Uniform Shop hours are:
8.30am - 5pm Monday to Friday
9am - 5pm Saturday

Phone number: 8768 7490
Remember you can also shop online at www.psw.com.au
House Keeping

Book Packs

• Your child’s book pack can be paid for at the office.
• Inside the information pack you have received tonight, you will find all of the details on how to purchase a book pack on the form provided.
• All equipment in the box will be checked off and labelled by the teacher and shared amongst the students throughout the year.
The Kilberry Valley Primary School Website

- Our school has a fantastic website which contains useful information that will keep you up to date with everything that is happening at our school.
- You can find KVPS on Facebook.
- You can sign up to receive our weekly online newsletter via Email at...

www.kilberryps.vic.edu.au