



THE BASIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

2017 PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM

Dear Parents,

The Basin Primary School belongs to an Early Educators Network consisting of many Schools and Pre Schools in The Basin, Boronia and Bayswater North areas. As part of this network we have agreed to begin the Prep transition program in Term Four. We believe that this is in the best interests of the children's educational, emotional and social development. We believe it is important not to begin transition to school too early as the children need to enjoy and consolidate their pre school year. When the children have developed confidence, independence and organisational skills they will be ready to make a smooth and anxiety free start at school.

Listed below are the dates including an outline of the proposed activities for our transition program. **It would benefit your child if they could attend these sessions as they will become familiar with our school, its staff and other children in the Prep level for 2017.** At each of the three sessions we encourage parents to drop their child off at 11:30am and return to collect them at the conclusion of the sessions at 1:15pm.

TERM 4 TRANSITION DATES

Session One	Tuesday 11th October, 2016 11:30am – 1.15pm
<u>Teddy Bears Picnic</u>	
The children join us for stories and games followed by a picnic lunch. Please send along a cut lunch, drink, sunhat and your child's teddy bear of course. Your child's invitation is included in this letter. We will meet outside the Prep Classrooms where your child will be directed to a classroom for this session. Please pick your child up from the same classroom.	
Session Two	Tuesday 15th November, 2016 11:30am – 1.15pm
<u>Specialist Sessions</u>	
The children will attend a Physical Education lesson with our PE teacher Dale Goldsmith. An Art lesson with our Prep Art teacher Jen Smith. A Performing Arts lesson with Colin Hartley. A Science lesson with our Science teacher Greg Oswald and a classroom play session. Please send along a cut lunch, drink and sunhat. On this day we will meet outside the Prep classrooms and the children will be directed to a classroom to begin the day. We ask that you pick your child up from this room. * During this session, parents are invited to join our Principal, Mr Graeme Russell in the multi-purpose room for a cuppa and a chat.	
Session Three	Tuesday 6th December, 2016 11.30am – 1.15pm
<u>Christmas-themed Session with child's 2017 Prep Teacher</u>	
As part of this day the children will meet their Prep Teacher. They will also sing Christmas carols with our Performing Arts teacher Colin Hartley, complete some Christmas craft and play on the junior playground. We will meet outside the Prep buildings and children will be directed to their classrooms. Please send along a cut lunch, drink and sunhat.	
Parent Evening Session	Tuesday 6th December, 2016 7pm – 8pm
We will provide information about the Prep Program and discuss school readiness. This will also be an opportunity to meet your child's Prep teacher.	

We look forward to meeting you and thank you for choosing The Basin Primary School.

Mr Graeme Russell and Prep Staff. ☺