Information for Parents 2012

Getting Ready

• Encourage your child to organise clean clothes, prepare their books and school bag the night before, ready for the next day.

A Sleep Routine

• Establish a routine with a clear set bedtime to make sure your child gets enough sleep so they are alert and ready to learn during the day.

Dressing for School

• Your child should come to school wearing the school uniform.
• A wide brimmed school hat is required to be worn every school day in terms 1 & 4.
• Jewellery should be left at home. It is not safe and against school policy for your child to wear necklaces, earrings and bracelets.
• Always check the weather, be prepared for changes.
• Look for easy fasteners when choosing belts, shoes, school bags and clothing. (Sandal shoes are not safe for children. Velcro shoes can be an option.)
• Encourage your child to dress themselves, so they can manage things like taking jumpers on and off at school.
• Help your child learn how to tie their shoelaces.

Looking after belongings

• Label all your child’s belongings and show your child.
• Valuable items should stay at home as they may get lost or broken at school.
• If your child’s property is lost, check your child’s locker and finally lost property at the office.

Healthy Food

• Make sure your child has a healthy balanced breakfast before arriving at school.
• Pack a healthy lunch and snack for your child every day, and explain when they should be eaten.
• Please inform your child if they have a lunch order.
• When preparing and ordering lunch, ask your child what they would like to eat.

Being on Time

• Leave home so you have enough time to say goodbye to your child before they start their day.
Children should arrive at school between 8.45 a.m. and 8.55 a.m. as this is when teachers are on duty to supervise your child. Your child is expected to “BE ON TIME, BE HERE BY NINE!!!!”

Absences

• It is expected that either your child brings a note for any absences signed by parents or guardians or you advise the office staff by phone (93676555) when your child is absent.
“IT’S NOT OKAY TO BE AWAY!!!!!!!!”

Communication between home and school

• Check the school bag with your child each night for newsletters and notes from school.
• Make sure your child knows when you place a note in their bag and what they need to do with it.
• If you would like to meet your child’s teacher, please feel free to make an appointment as teachers may have yard duty or meetings before and after school.

Reading at Home

• The books in the green take home bags are changed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The bags need to be brought back on these days.
• Library bags are to be brought to school once a week only on the day your child has library. You can read the library book to your child a few times.
• Establish a quiet time for reading together, maybe as part of the bedtime routine.
• Let reading together be a pleasurable activity.
• Reading at home with your child is very important as it will assist your child’s learning.

Drinking During Class Time

• Students are encouraged to have a water bottle at school to drink from during learning sessions. Juice and other drinks can be taken during play and lunch times only.

Values Program

As part of the Healthy Relationships Program students in the Junior grades have lessons about different values. Students are continuously encouraged to show these values in the playground and classroom throughout the term. The emphasis will be on different values such as friendliness, respect, tolerance and assertiveness etc. Each fortnight a student from the grade will be chosen as the class values star and is awarded a certificate.

Tissue Box

Early in the year classroom teachers will be asking each student to bring a tissue box. If all students bring a box then tissues will be available to students as they need them. Could you please send a box with your child.
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