



School Hours are as follows:

- 8.20am teacher on playground duty on Southern Site
- 8.50am morning bell
- 10.50am recess
- 12.50pm lunch
- 2.50pm home bell

Teachers on duty wear a yellow vest to ensure they can be identified when on the playground. Should you require assistance please speak to the teacher on duty.

Lateness and Early Departure: If your child is late or you plan to take them early you must go directly to the office to sign them in or out before proceeding to their classroom. You will be issued with a late card or early departure card that is given to the teacher. Please ensure that if you are late that you walk your child to the office as officially an adult must accompany them to the office.

Absence: If your child is absent from school for any reason, please send written notification to your classroom teacher upon your child's return. All notes are expected within 2 days of your child's return to school.

If you are planning holidays, please address a letter of your child's intended period of leave from school. Please take into consideration the time you decide to take for holidays as it may impact on your child's learning. Should you require work for holidays this will be in the form of a journal to write in everyday documenting the highlights and to read daily.

Home Time Arrangements: Children in K-2 sit in their class groups at dismissal time under the Ewos Parade COLA on the Northern site. Once the children are seated Parents may approach and collect their child. We would ask if you are running late to ring the office to advise us, in order that your child does not stress.

Pick up time is at 2.50 after 3.00pm the children will be taken across the road to the office for collection.

Wet Weather: In the event of wet weather, in the morning a sign will be displayed at the gate on the opposite side of the road directing children to their classrooms. K-2 is asked to be dropped off at the door near the shelter where the children eat their lunch and go straight to their classroom. If possible, please try to leave your child at the front door of the building as this helps to make them independent and avoids overcrowding of corridors and helps lessons to begin on time.

Different Teachers: Please be aware that during the week the children will interact with a variety of teachers for different subjects such as History, Geography, Science, Library, English as a Second Language (ESL), Physical Education (PE).

Issues and concerns: If you wish to discuss your child or any concerns, the first point of contact should be with the class teacher. To make an appointment, please contact the teacher or ring the office so that a suitable or appropriate time can be made. Please come and talk to your child's teacher if a problem is concerning you sooner rather than later so that we can work together for a solution.

To ensure the safety of all students we request that parents do not approach teachers whilst they are escorting students across the road.

Crunch 'n' Sip: This is a program that has been occurring in our school for several years and one that proves very successful. The children have a short break at about 10 am in the morning which allows them to recharge and be ready for the next session. Crunch 'n' Sip should only be small pieces of cut up fruit or vegetables and water for drinking. Please support us in our endeavours as this is a very valuable program.

Learning Areas: Are as follows:

English - Speaking and Listening, Reading and Viewing, Writing and Representing

Maths - Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, Statistics and Probability

History, Geography, Science and Technology, PDHPE, Creative and Practical Arts - the students will be focusing on the following topics:

(t times throughout the year students may be asked to bring into school information and/or photos to support these topics.

Homework: The homework will include:

- Home reading each night (recommended 15minutes per night)
- Sight word revision and an activity from the sight word activity list
- Phonics Sheet
- Athletics tasks if required (Term 2-4)

Home Reading books are sent home on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Readers should be read with expression, fluency, 98-100% accuracy and a good understanding of what the book is about. Instructional levelled books are taught at school daily and the children are assessed according to their overall reading ability.

If you wish your child to do extra reading, Cronulla Library has wonderful books to borrow and (opportunities to hear stories read and complete activities in the school holidays as well. In addition, you can even read more difficult books to your children and model reading behaviours, expression and fluency. You can engage in discussions about the meaning of the story and what they enjoyed best about it.

Parent Helpers: We love parent helpers and will be grateful for assistance with our Home Reading Program. If you are able to help, please see the classroom teacher.

Clothing and Personal Belongings: Could you please check that all of your child's clothing and personal belongings are clearly labelled, as things seem to get lost.

Please ensure your child does not bring precious toys or battery operated toys to school. The children are permitted to bring one small toy clearly labelled with their name.

Develop independence through having your child pack and unpack their bag. This will help them to identify their own belongings and be able to look after them.

How you can help your child:

- Bed time

- Screen time
 - Label everything
 - Drop off
 - Positive language time
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- Screen time
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- Label everything
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- Drop off
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- Positive language

Important Dates for Kindergarten:

Canteen days are Tuesday and Thursday only

Sports day is Friday

Scripture is on Tuesday

Commonwealth Banking Day is Tuesday

Office money collection days are Tuesday and Thursday

KS: Library day is Monday

KBH: Library is Tuesday

K/1P: Tuesday

All children are required to have a library bag to borrow books. These can be purchased from the library or office.

Equipment needs for students:

Could you please label and provide your child with:

- An oversized shirt for painting or a paint smock that covers their uniform
- Library bag
- Home Reader Bag (can be purchased from the office)
- Headphones (labelled with your child's name)
- Tissues
- Soap
- Spare underwear, shorts etc. in a plastic bag

Thank you for your support in this partnership role.

Kind Regards,

Kindergarten Teachers