



## Transition to Prep in 2020 for the 2021 School Year

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to welcoming you into our school community at Heany Park PS. Details of the Term 4 Transition Sessions for the 2021 Prep students are in this document. Children are encouraged to attend all the sessions offered if possible.

We know that relationships are at the core of positive transition to school experiences. When families, early childhood services, schools and communities work together in positive and collaborative ways, a child's capacity to achieve their learning potential is significantly enhanced - and so is their general health, wellbeing, positive outlook and sense of purpose in life.

While students are attending the transition sessions we will be hosting a number of optional sessions for parents to find out more about learning at Heany Park PS. We understand that many parents have work commitments but we hope you can attend at least some of the sessions, if not all. We strongly recommend attendance at Thursday, 5 November (evening session).

Session	Date	Time	Transition session for Students	Transition session for Parents
1	Wednesday 14 October 2020	2:30 – 3:30pm	Classroom	Meet the Principal Team and the other Prep 2021 parents, join us for afternoon tea Q & A opportunity
2	Wednesday 21 October 2020	2:30 – 3:30pm	Classroom	Mrs Dickinson, Assistant Principal and Keera Waterston, School Nurse, will inform you about our student wellbeing and support services, practices and processes
3	Wednesday 28 October 2020	2:30 – 3:30pm	Classroom	Mrs Ryan, Curriculum Leader of our International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program: What and how students will be learning about the world in which they live

<b>Strongly recommended</b>	Thursday 5 November 2020	<b>6:30 – 7:30pm</b>	No afternoon session for students	A General Information Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helping your child transition to school</li> <li>• Logistics of school</li> <li>• Outside school hours care</li> <li>• Timetables and routines</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	Wednesday 11 November 2020	2:30 – 3:30pm	Classroom	Literacy Specialist: Learning in the Junior school - reading, writing, speaking, listening and viewing
<b>5</b>	Wednesday 18 November 2020	2:30 – 3:30pm	Specialist session – Visual Art / Performing Art / PE / Indonesian	Maths Specialist: Learning number, measurement, geometry, statistics and probability
<b>6</b>	Wednesday 25 November 2020	2:30 – 3:30pm	Specialist session – Visual Art / Performing Art / PE / Indonesian	Principal Team Q & A Afternoon tea
	Wednesday 2 December 2020	2-2:30pm	You are invited to accompany your child to the Senior School Exhibition	The Exhibition is an opportunity for Senior School students to share what they have learned throughout their student life at Heany Park PS. Come along and take a look and have a chat with our senior students.
<b>High priority</b>	Tuesday 8 December 2020	9:15 – 10:45am	Orientation Day Meet your 2021 class and teacher	Parents are invited to leave the school grounds or chat in the staff room.

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU INTERVIEWS

We conduct a 'Getting to Know you Interview' in order to give you the opportunity of telling us everything we need to know to best support your child's learning and wellbeing. This is an opportunity for you to tell us if your child met the usual developmental milestones and any other relevant information. Medical issues, social or emotional needs, any specific individual, family or cultural needs can be presented at this time.

2021 Prep Students "Getting to Know You" interviews will be held on Thursday 19, Friday 20 and Monday 23 November. Booking is through Compass, our communication system with parents.

## ORIENTATION DAY

It is very important to attend Orientation Day for students to attend with their 2021 class and teacher. This will be on Tuesday 8 December from 9:15 to 10:45am. Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance to you in planning your child's transition to school.

Kind regards

Janet Evison and the Prep Team