



BUNYIP PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Kinder to School Transition Program 2022/2023



Bunyip Primary School prides itself on community involvement and placing the needs and values of our students first. We are aware that the transition to Primary school is a very exciting time for your little ones. Along with the excitement can come nerves and some uncertainty as to what to expect in their first year of school. Therefore, it is our pleasure to offer you and our future Prep students every possible opportunity to appease those nerves, to provide opportunities to feel a sense of belonging and to above all, be excited to start next with every success.

Currently we have some dates we would like to share with you to mark in your calendar. We are aware that Bunyip Kinder has two 4-year-old groups. Purple and Green group. In order to make sure we can accommodate everyone our days are not always on the same day. We hope this offers some flexibility for parents also.

Prep Information Evening and Tour on Wednesday the 15th of June 2:30 – 4:30 pm

We invite all prospective prep students in 2023 and their families to join us on a tour of our school and some fun activities with our current prep students and leaders. We would like you to meet us at the picnic tables at the front of the school, everyone is welcome, siblings too. We will have some quick activities in the hall, science room and art room. Then our leaders will take everyone on a tour of our beautiful grounds. At 3:30pm we invite adults in to the library for a Prep Information session where we will discuss in more depth, the details the aspects of how Prep will look for your child in 2023. We have our lovely teachers who will supervise children and siblings in the room next door with games and fun activities while you can grab a cup of tea and relax and listen to the information we will provide.

Prep visits. Week beginning 11th July.

Our current Prep students will walk up to Bunyip Kinder and meet our prospective preps and have lunch together. This is a lovely connection between current and future preps students. As there are two 4 year old sessions currently, we will do our best to visit both sessions. This visit will be held in kinder and school times so parents aren't required.



Kinder visit Monday 8th August– 12.30pm-1.45pm

Kinder students and teachers are invited to walk down to Bunyip Primary School and join in with a PMP (Perceptual Motor Program) session with this years' Prep students. We will then eat lunch together while our choir will perform one of their favourite songs. You will not need to pack anything different, just a normal lunch as you would for a kinder day. After lunch, we will have a play on the junior playground then the Kinder teachers walk back to their kindergartens.

OR

Kinder visit Tuesday the 9th of August– 12.30pm-1.45pm

Kinder students and teachers are invited to walk down to Bunyip Primary School and join in with a PMP (Perceptual Motor Program) session with this years' Prep students. We will then eat lunch together while our choir will perform one of their favourite songs. You will not need to pack anything different, just a normal lunch as you would for a kinder day. After lunch, we will have a play on the junior playground then the Kinder teachers walk back to their kindergartens.

School visit Thursday the 6th of October 12.30pm-1.45pm

Parents of prospective preps of Bunyip Primary School, will join our current preps and join in with Friendship time. Kinder students can stay for lunch and have a quick play on our playgrounds. Don't forget to pack your lunch and a wide brim hat if hot. (Parents need to arrange for children to attend and stay for the duration).

OR

School visit Friday the 7th of October 12.30pm-1.45pm

Parents of prospective preps of Bunyip Primary School, will join our current preps and join in with Friendship time. Kinder students can stay for lunch and have a quick play on our playgrounds. Don't forget to pack your lunch and a wide brim hat if hot. (Parents need to arrange for children to attend and stay for the duration)

Kinder Teachers and Parents please note - We are offering two dates for the same experience so that we can cater for all groups and all Kindergartens to attend. If you would like to attend both days you are more than welcome also. We will accommodate your child's needs as best we can. Please email bunyip.ps@education.vic.gov.au if you have any questions or need to make separate arrangements.

Transition times for enrolled students at Bunyip Primary –

Every Thursday 2:30 – 3:30pm Meet in the Hall

We invite our prospective prep students to a weekly transition program. Each Thursday afternoon, kinder students are invited to join in with literacy and numeracy games, building friendships with the current year 5 students as prospective buddies in 2023, partake in the specialist programs such as Science, Art, PE and Library, become familiar with the surroundings and playgrounds and watch the current preps in action. The times are as follows:

Session 1 - Thursday 10 th of November	2:30 – 3:30pm. (parents are not required to stay)
Session 2 – Thursday 17 th of November	2:30 – 3:30pm. (parents are not required to stay)
Session 3 – Thursday 24 th of November	2:30 – 3:30pm. (parents are not required to stay)
Session 4 – Thursday 1 st of December	2:30 – 3:30pm. (parents are not required to stay)
Session 5 - Thursday 8 th of December	2:30 – 3:30pm. (parents are not required to stay)

Tuesday 13th December 1:30pm – 3:15pm. State Wide Transition Day

Parent Information Session and afternoon tea with the teachers. Grade lists and Prep teachers will be finalised by this date. Kinder students will be cared for by the Senior School students. Kinder students please bring a wide brimmed hat and lunch with you. Parents please drop your child off at 1.30pm then come back at 2.30pm for our Information Session where you will find out your child's teacher for 2023. Our Principal - Ms Jenny Dowsett and Transition Coordinator Jane Guy, will address the parents briefly during this afternoon tea to outline the Specialist Programs we plan to offer at Bunyip Primary School in 2023

*Enrolment forms and school information is available at the School Office now. Once your child is enrolled, you are welcome to come into the Prep classroom and join in with classroom activities in addition to the above dates. Please make a time that is mutually acceptable to you and the Prep Teacher. Please feel free to ring 5629 5462 if you would like an individualised tour of Bunyip Primary School.

