



Merrylands East Public School

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Welcome to Kindergarten 2022

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Merrylands East Public School welcomes you and your child to Kindergarten. Kindergarten is a great time for making friends and learning. We are looking forward to getting to know both you and your child.

In 2022, your child will come to school for two transition days on **Wednesday, 2nd February** and **Thursday, 3rd February** from **8.15am – 9.30am** each day. Please enter through the Walker Street gate.

From **Friday 4th February**, Kindergarten students will join the rest of the school with a full day of learning, starting school at **8.00am** and finishing at **1.15pm**.

To help you prepare for your child's transition into school, we have prepared an orientation bag which contains essential information for you and exciting activities for your child. These bags will be available for collection inside the Walker Street gate on **Monday 13th December** and **Tuesday 14th December 2021**, between **8.30am** and **9.30am**. During this time, we will also have uniforms available for sale (cash only). Uniforms can also be purchased in 2022 by filling in an order form, which is available in your orientation bag, and handing it to the office. When the order is processed, it can be collected from the school office.

The following is a list of what needs to be packed in your child's school bag each day:

- a water bottle (no glass)
- a healthy school lunch box for recess at 10.00am which can include fruit or vegetables, eg. strawberries, carrot sticks
- a school hat
- a spare set of clothes

Please make sure that all items mentioned in the list are clearly labelled with your child's name. Writing your child's name on the inside of their school bag helps us return it if it gets lost.

Our school day begins at 8.00am and finishes at 1.15pm. Please make sure that you arrive at school no later than 7.55am and pick your child up from outside their classroom no later than 1.15pm. Children can become anxious if they miss out on their routines at the start of the day or if they are picked up later than 1.15pm. Being late to school or being picked up late can result in a distressed child.

On the first full day of school, **Friday 4th February**, please go straight to the set-up tables under the cola to get your child's nametag and then proceed to the teacher. Let your child know that you will be back at 1.15pm and say goodbye to them. Our teachers will take good care of your child each day.

Thank you for your support in helping to ensure a smooth transition for your child in starting school.

John Goh
Principal

Jennifer Greig
Deputy Principal

Katherine Fernandopulle
Assistant Principal

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