

Parent Information Afternoon

February 2022

Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Bidjegal people of the Eora Nation.

I acknowledge that for thousands of years they have lived on and cared for the lands, skies and waterways.

Their dreaming is deep in the soil, rivers, oceans and wind holding the histories, lores, language and knowledge of this Country.

I extend my respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people here today and highlight their continued, unbroken connection to Countries.

Class Composition

Our Kindergarten classes are mixed ability and all classes have a ceiling of 20 students. See class information sheet for further individual class breakdown.



Attendance

A class roll is marked each morning to account for your child's attendance. If your child is absent from school you will need to send in a letter of explanation on the day he/she returns to school, as this is a legal requirement. If your child is absent for more than 3 days please contact the school via email.

In the case of extended absence (e.g. overseas trip), please contact the school in advance, as a leave form is required. If your child is late for school, they will need to go to the School Office and collect a late note before attending class.

If you require your child to leave early you will need to contact the school office to arrange for them to be sent to the school office for pick-up.

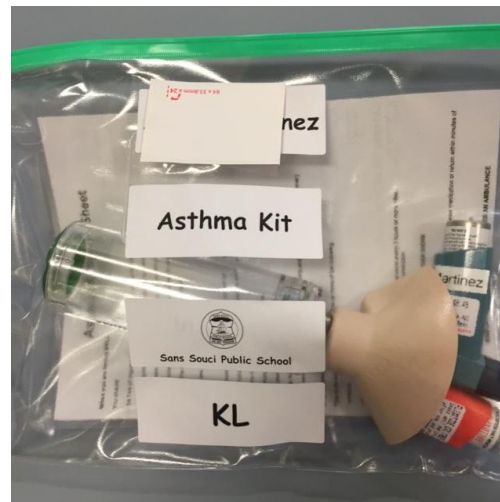
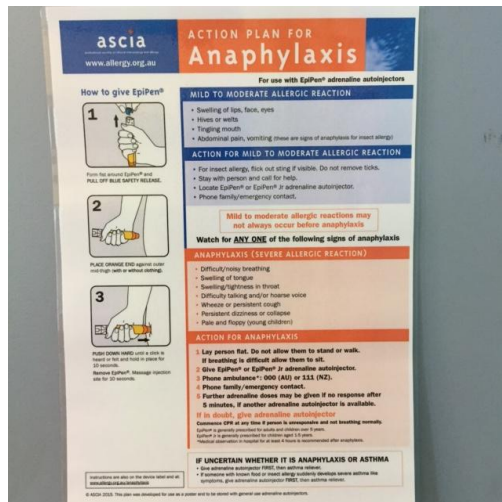
Whenever possible please make routine checkups and dental appointments out of school hours.

Medications

When your child is required to take prescribed medication at school, please contact the School Office staff and provide a letter of instruction from the doctor.

If your child has a Health Care Plan for asthma, allergies or anaphylaxis, it is important that a current plan signed by your doctor/specialist is forwarded to the school.

When a student attends school excursions it is vital that appropriate medication is packed e.g. asthma puffer, EpiPen. This is the responsibility of both parents and teacher.



Library

Students will be able to borrow books from the school library in Term 2. However, the students will visit the Library once a week this term. Your child will require a library bag labeled with their name and class. You may purchase these from the school canteen and it is recommended that these bags be used for excursions.



ICT

Currently, Kindergarten students have access to laptops, iPads and an Interactive Touch Panel in their classroom, which are used to support student learning.

Your child will be given a departmental email address and will use the internet under supervision, unless you have otherwise notified the school. The school will be sending home your child's username and password for 'Reading Eggs' program in the near future for their access.



To log onto Reading Eggs, students will need to be able to type in their username and password.

It would be extremely beneficial for students to practise this as well as logging out at home with your help, so they require less teacher assistance for access at school.

Resource Pack

4 scrapbooks, pkt coloured pencils, 4 glue sticks, 4 whiteboard markers, home-reading pack, Visual Arts Diary, Maths pack, manilla folder, A4 folder, an incursion and Technology Levy.



Merit Certificates

School merit awards are given out every Friday at our assembly. Once your child collects 3 red or blue assembly awards, they return them to school and receive a special Gold Principal's Award. Please refer to Student Wellbeing Policy for further information regarding awards.) Classroom stickers, Dojo points and other incentives are also used on a daily basis to reinforce positive behaviour, both in the classroom and the playground. Dojo points are a school incentive for appropriate behaviour and these will be entered into a weekly assembly draw.



Class Dojo



Behaviour Management

Students names are placed around happy smiley. However, if given a warning their name is placed under 1st warning, if warned again under 2nd warning and if warned for a 3rd time is placed in time out. If the student misbehaves in time out they will be sent to the Assistant Principal.



Warning Chart



Home Reading

Home reading will start **Week 8** for Kindergarten students. The students may return their books for exchange **every Monday, Wednesday and Friday**. It is your child's responsibility to place their home reader case with their book enclosed in the designated reading exchange tray first thing in the morning as they enter the classroom. Students will not be provided with a new book to read until they return their previous book. Please check their plastic reading case, as it is often used to place notes and receipts etc. A home reading workshop will be held early next term to help you assist your child, with reading. Parents need to complete yellow form.



Sport

Sport for all Kindergarten students is held on Thursday. The students participate in a range of sport activities that develop fundamental movement skills during this session. Kindergarten will have fitness activities which will include fitness track, yoga, relays, dance and games. Sports uniform is required to be worn on Thursday regardless of weather.



CLOTE

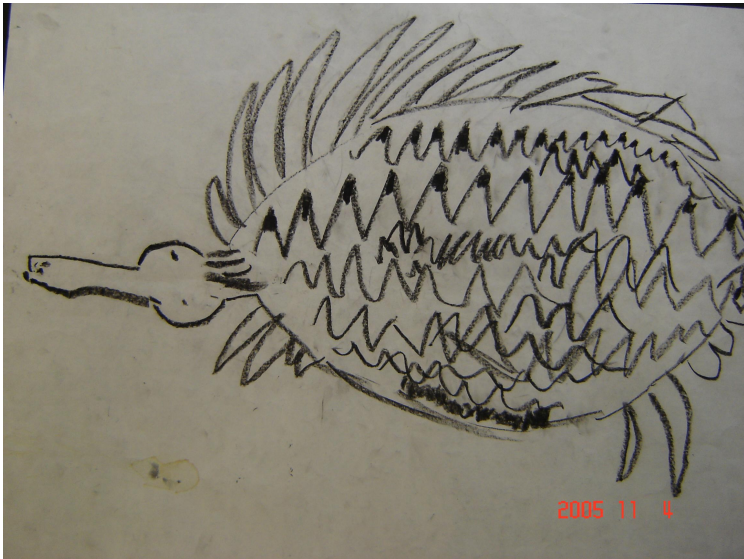
Greek:

Children who are native Greek speakers participate in an intensive CLOTE program (Community Languages other than English) taught by Mrs Koureas.

All other students will participate in a comprehensive beginner Greek class with either Mrs Karatonis and Mrs Kovanis during this time.

Art

In Semester 2, Kindergarten students will attend art lessons provided by our specialist art teacher Mrs Hawkins. Student artwork will be placed on display and then into their visual arts diary.



Appointments/Best Start


Please contact the school office preferably by email to arrange an appointment if you wish to speak to the class teacher about any concerns you may have about your child or other school matters.


Midway through this term you will receive your child's Best Start report followed up by an interview with the class teacher to discuss their progress in their new school setting.

Reporting to Parents

You will receive a formal written school report about your child's progress at the end of Semester 1 (Term 2) and Semester 2 (Term 4).

Sans Souci Public School
2015 - Semester 1

 Report for:
Harper POULIOS
Year K - Class KT
Ms Turner



The teaching staff at Carlton South Public School report on your child's progress twice per year at the conclusion of Semester 1 and Semester 2. Our teaching staff also provide feedback on your child's progress throughout the year.

The student report is one way our school communicates information about your child's progress. It is important to note that children develop at different stages and this report is a snapshot of where your child is at the present time, both academically and socially.

If your child receives an achievement of Sound (C), then they are working at the expected stage level.

Achievement

Achievement	Grade	Achievement Description
Working Beyond	WB	
Achieving	A	
Working Towards	WT	

Effort

Effort	Grade	Effort Description
5	5	
4	4	
3	3	
2	2	
1	1	

Learning From Home

- ▶ Due to the COVID-19 pandemic over the last couple of years the students have had to have some periods 'Learning From Home'

If this does occur again the Department of Education has provided a comprehensive series of lessons which will be accompanied by daily Google Meet/Zoom session or Microsoft Teams Meeting with the class teacher.

- ▶ Over the next week in preparation for this event if it occurs we will be sending home your child's username, password and email address. Please keep this document in a safe place for future reference.

School Counsellor

Our school counsellor attend the school on Monday and Wednesday each week. If you feel there is a need for your child to see the counsellor please contact the school office.



Scripture (SRE) and Ethics (SEE)

SRE and SEE is held every Tuesday morning in the nominated classrooms. Available religious instruction classes are:

- ▶ Catholic
- ▶ Protestant
- ▶ Greek Orthodox
- ▶ Islamic
- ▶ Ethics
- ▶ Non - scripture

Parent Helpers

With current restrictions of visitors and volunteers in place we are unable to have parent helpers on site to assist in classrooms. If the DoE guidelines for visitors and volunteers changes during the year a letter (expression of interest) will be sent home to families.

Please be aware, it is a legal requirement that all helpers are to complete a 'Working with Children Form' for child protection reasons. In line with Work, Health & Safety guidelines all parent helpers are to check in and out of the school premises and wear a school visitor lanyard/sticker.

P&C Class Parent Representatives

Information has been sent home in regard to introducing a P&C Class Parent Liaison Program to enhance communication of P&C and school events between school and home.

This is a voluntary program where one parent from each class volunteers as a class representative to share reminders with other parents from the class. Each parent is asked to provide a mobile number and/or email in order to receive reminders about school and P&C events from the designated Class Parent Representative.

The Parent Liaison Program class representative will not share any parents' details with other parents and will be responsible for sharing information.

Emergency Contact & Custody Orders

If you change address or phone number please contact the school office to correct details. This is particularly important if your child becomes ill at school and you need to be advised. Also, if there are any changes to custody, pick-up arrangements or after school care, the school must be made aware of this situation immediately.

Gate Security

The main gate at the front of the school will now be locked between 9.30am and 2.30pm each day. Access to the school during these times will be via the school's rear pedestrian gate and all visitors during these times must report to the school office.

School Assemblies

A whole school assembly is held every Tuesday morning at 9.15am up in the primary playground in front of the podium. If it is raining the students will go straight to their classrooms.

A K-2 assembly is held every Friday at 1.00pm in the school hall. Later in the year when your child's class holds the assembly you will be asked up to be part of the audience and watch their class item.



Special Events

Through the year the school holds a number of special events such as ANZAC Day, Grandparents' Day, Book Week Parade, Harmony Day, NAIDOC Week and Education Week etc. The students really enjoy participating in these events and on most occasions you will be invited to come along and join in with the fun!



Birthdays

If it is your child's birthday you can purchase a 'Birthday Bucket' of fruit based ice-blocks for the class at your cost (Ordering is through school's online Munch Monitor system with 7 day's notice). Due to food allergies and COVID restrictions this has been put in place to replace cake and lolly bags etc.

If you do not want your child to participate in birthday celebrations, please inform the class teacher.



Getting Ready

To assist students to become more independent and responsible, we will include in their home-reading pack a visual 'Getting ready for school chart'



Communication

- ▶ School Newsletter - emailed out every alternate Friday
- ▶ Appointments
- ▶ Injuries at school
- ▶ Whole School Morning Assembly - Tuesday
- ▶ K-2 Assembly - 1.00pm Friday in hall
- ▶ School E-News

Online Payments

The school is encouraging parents to make payments using only the Parent Online Payment (POP) Facility accessible from the SSPS website.

The site is secure and there is no surcharge to use this payment option. Card Information provided by parents is not shared with the school.

Excursions

This year Kindergarten students will attend 2 excursions and an end of year picnic. We are currently looking into a visit to Hazelhurst gallery, a theatre production and either Symbio Zoo or Sydney Aquarium and Wildlife Park.



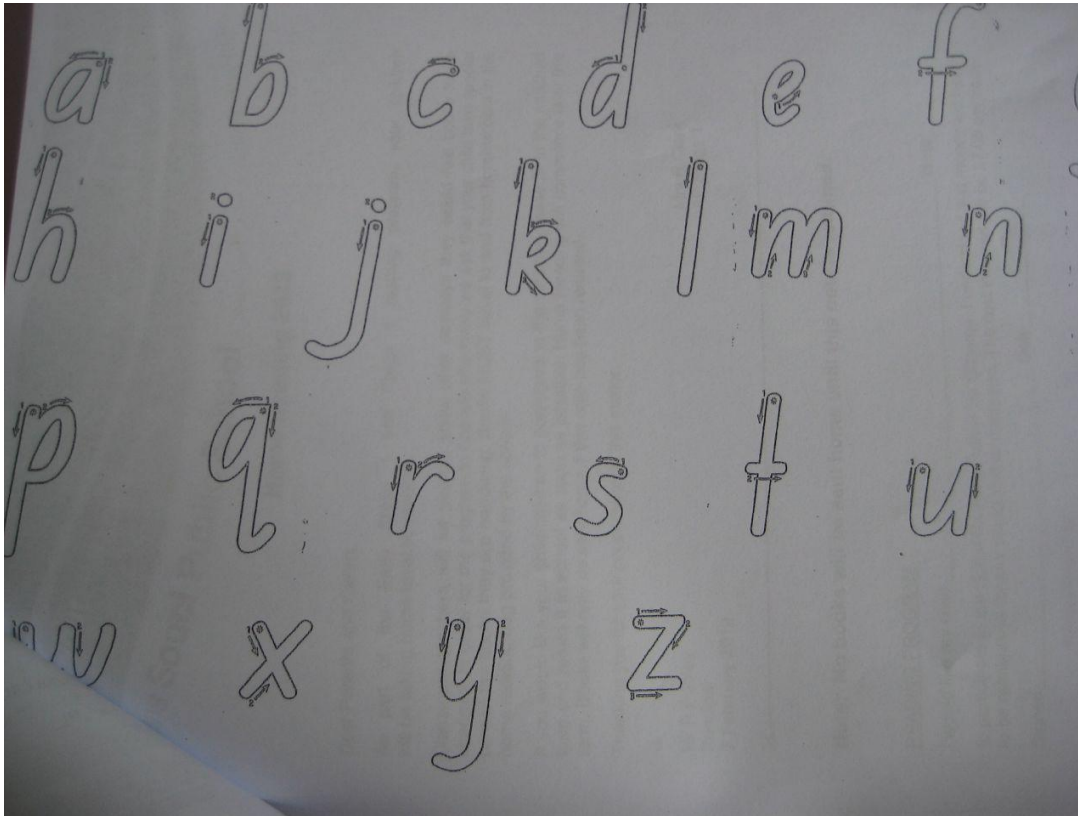
Buddies

Normally, the school leadership team and Year 6 Buddy classes come down every day at lunch and fruit break to organise games and assist the kindergarten students. This has currently been postponed until restrictions lift.



Handwriting

This term it would be beneficial if you could assist your child in learning how to correctly form their letters. Work with one letter until they secure the correct way to write it. Start big and work down to small and remember to get them to practise fluency patterns .



Questions

If you have any questions please contact the school office via email.

sanssouci-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

L3 - What is it?

Watch L3 Film

What is happening in Kindergarten literacy this year?

- ▶ This year our Sans Souci kindergarten teachers will be continuing to implement 'Language, Learning and Literacy' (L3).

What is L3?

- ▶ L3 is accredited, professional learning specifically for kindergarten teachers.
- ▶ It is intensive and unique professional learning where Kindergarten teachers work closely as a team to share, challenge, support and develop their teaching pedagogy in literacy.
- ▶ It is part of the BEST START initiative and addresses all aspects of the NSW K-6 English Syllabus.

L3

Why L3?

- ▶ It has been successfully implemented in schools since 2007.
- ▶ It is delivered and supported by an L3 trainer who mentors and works alongside teachers and students in their classrooms.
- ▶ Teachers develop expertise in observing students, analysing data and providing differentiated learning experiences in all aspects of early literacy.







