KINDERGARTEN 2016
PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
KINDERGARTEN
CLASS ORGANISATION

- Current class set up
- Class Split: The classes will be split into two sometime prior to the commencement of Term 2. It may happen prior to Term 1 ending. You will be notified which class your child will be in once the classes have been chosen.
- Please do not make a request for your child to be put with another child in the class. Please rest assured that when placing your child in a class we will always do what is best for their learning.
COMMUNICATION

- School newsletter
- School website  [www.srcpdbb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.srcpdbb.catholic.edu.au)
- Phone calls
- Email
- Primary Planner App
- If you need to see either of us please make an appointment for an interview so that we can give you our undivided attention. If you need to get a message to us in the morning before school please leave it with Helen or Mandy at the office and they will ensure we get the message.
PBL- ROSE RULEs

- Positive Behaviour for Learning
- R – Respect
- O – Others
- S – Self
- E – Environment

- Reminder System

- Reteaching of Correct Behaviour
PROGRAM
Inquiry Approach
Conceptual Learning Focus

Students will be exploring the following Key Ideas in Religion, English, Science, History, Geography, Personal Development and Creative Arts:

- Our Story (Who we are);
- Our Journey (Where we are in place and time),
  - Our world (How the world works),
  - Our ideas (How we express ourselves)
- Our systems (How we organise ourselves)
- Our responsibility (Sharing the planet)
Key Concepts

Respect
Relationships
Well-being
Responsibility
Sustainability
Identity
Service
Community
Change
Power
Cause and Effect
**BELONGINGS**

- Please clearly label all clothing, hats and lunch boxes
- Include a spare pair of underpants and socks in your child’s bag as well as a raincoat
- Please also pack a School Jumper in case the weather changes quickly particularly as we enter Autumn.
- School Uniform
Absences/ Birthdays/ Crunch and Sip

- Absences: If your child will be away for any reason please email Meghan or myself. We mark the roll first thing in the morning each day.
- If your child arrives to school after the 8:45am bell they must go straight to the office to get a ‘late pass’ before joining their class line or going to the classroom. If you need to leave early or take your child out for part of the day please also see the office to sign them in and/or out.
- Birthdays: You are more than welcome to send in something special for your child’s special day – e.g. cupcakes, Freddo Frogs, ice lollies etc. Please always be mindful of what you are sending into class as some children in the class have allergies.
- Crunch and Sip takes place in the classroom at 10am each day. During this time the students have a 10 minute break to eat fruit/ veggies and sip water whilst listening to a story book.
LIBRARY/SPORT

- Kindergarten has library on Wednesday or Thursday. Please ensure your child brings their library bag to school each week. All library books must be returned by the end of each term.
- The children will begin borrowing from the library in Week 4 (next week).
- Our school librarian is Mrs Brown.
- Kindergarten has sport on Wednesday or Thursday. Please ensure your child wears their full sports uniform to school on these days.
- Our school sports teacher is Mrs Lilycrop.
HOMEWORK

• Homework is sent home on Monday and is to be returned on the Friday of the same week. Please ensure your child puts their homework folder into the homework tub by themselves. This helps them to take responsibility and get used to the routine of school.

• Homework will generally consist of sight words, sounds and home readers.

• Written homework will be kept to a minimum as developing a love of reading is most important at this stage.

• Homework will start in Week 4- Monday 15th Feb.

• Week 6 of every term is “Mental Health Week’ during this week no homework will be set. Students are encouraged to enjoy a relaxing week of play dates and family time after school instead of completing homework!
COVERING BOOKS/ PARENT HELPERS

• Please take your child’s books home tonight to be covered in clear contact.
• Please send the books back to school with your child this Monday (15th Feb)
• There will be an opportunity for parents to help out in the classroom. Parent helpers will commence midway through Term 2. More information will be emailed to you closer to the time
CANTEEN

- Canteen days are Monday and Friday. Your child can place a lunch order on any of these days. All orders are completed and paid for online. Your child’s lunch order will be delivered to the Kindy classrooms.
- Lunch orders are placed in the children’s black Sticky Beach bags. These remain in the school canteen. Please ensure all lunch orders are in by 8am.
- Money at school.
DEVELOPING RESPONSIBILITY

In order to develop responsibility in your child, help them by:

- being punctual to school
- getting enough sleep
- being responsible for their belongings
- allowing them (or practising with them), to pack and unpack their bag.
- ensuring homework has a priority with a set time and place
- wearing the correct uniform
- allowing your child to carry their own school bag, place it on their hook and enter the classroom independently
THANK YOU!

- Thank you for being here tonight. Your presence is much appreciated!
- We look forward to a wonderful year with your child and to working in partnership with you this year.