



WELCOME to Mt Eliza Primary School



Dear Prep Parents,

We welcome your family to our school this year. We trust your children have come home today bubbling with excitement about their first school day. Below is some useful information that will enable a smooth transition for you and your child.

CLASSROOM SUPPLIES

Thank you to all those who have paid for their class items. If you have not done so yet please see the Office staff as soon as possible. It would also be appreciated if you ensure that your child brings along a **LARGE** box of tissues, a **PLASTIC** art smock, and a library bag (the last three items being **clearly** named) as soon as possible. We have a specialist program next week and these items are needed prior to attendance. Thank you to those who bought these to school today.



DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES NEXT WEEK – MONDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY TO FRIDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY

We would like to remind parents that we are offering flexible morning arrival times for Prep students next week, **Monday, 6th February to Friday, 10th February**, owing to vehicle congestion and parking time limits at the front of the school.

We suggest that parents bring their Prep children to the school classroom anytime between 8.45 am and 9.00 am during this week. Pick up time for the rest of this week is from your child's classroom at 3.00 pm.

KEY DATES

Included with this information today is a list of key dates to assist you with the timetable for the first five weeks of this term while your child is settling into life at school. (You will also find this on Tiqbiz. Details for getting the Tiqbiz app is below).

TAKE HOME BOOKS

Today your child brought home a book bag. It would be appreciated if you could attach a key tag of some kind to help your child identify their bag. Please return the book bag NO LATER than **Monday, 13th February** as we intend to send home books on that day.



Please note NO child will be given a take home book without their book bag.

PREP TESTING – EARLY YEARS NUMERACY AND LITERACY

We have begun conducting our Early Years Literacy and Numeracy testing and will complete this on the Wednesdays when Preps do not attend school. Please bring along your child to their classroom so that the above testing can be done at the allocated time as per attached timetable. It is anticipated that the testing session will last approximately 40 minutes. If you wish to wait coffee/tea/milo will be provided for you in the Pod areas.

MEET THE TEACHER INTERVIEWS

These are to be conducted on the afternoon of Wednesday, 15th February in line with the rest of the school. You will receive further details on this meeting at a later date. This will be your opportunity to share valuable information regarding your child with their classroom teacher.

TIQBIZ

Tiqbiz is an app that can be downloaded onto your electronic devices that will provide important information at your fingertips. The school app includes an instant message service to alert when new information is available. To access Tiqbiz download the app and then follow the prompts. Select “Foundation” and “Whole School” to access up-to-date Prep information.

FOOD ALLERGIES

While MEPS is not a “nut free” school we would like to make you aware that some students are highly sensitive or have allergies to nuts (including Nutella products and peanut butter). If possible, please refrain from sending these products along in your child’s lunchbox. We advise you to reinforce with your child that they **are not to** share their food at school.

SPARE CLOTHES

Please ensure that your child has a NAMED spare pair of pants, socks and undies that should ALWAYS be in your child’s school bag in case of any ‘accidents’.

Please feel free to speak to your child’s teacher if you have any concerns or queries.

We are looking forward to working with you this year.

Carly Forbes
Donna Wheatley
Frances de Valle
Sarah McGrath





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FIRST TERM DATES 2017- TO REMEMBER!!

Week 1: Drop off and pick up at the classroom

Thursday – 2nd February PREPS - ½ day – until 1.00pm
Friday – 3rd February PREPS – 8.45-9 am until 3.00 pm

Week 2: Drop off and pick up at the classroom

Monday – 6th February PREPS – 8.45-9am until 3.00 pm.
Tuesday – 7th February PREPS – 8.45-9am until 3.00 pm.
Wednesday – 8th February PREPS – no school – TESTING
Thursday – 9th February PREPS – 8.45-9am until 3.00 pm
Friday – 10th February PREPS – 8.45-9am until 3.00 pm

Week 3: Drop off and pick up at the dots outside

Monday – 13th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Tuesday – 14th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Wednesday – 15th February PREPS – no school – TESTING
Thursday – 16th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Friday – 17th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm

Week 4: Drop off and pick up at the dots outside

Monday – 20th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Tuesday – 21st February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Wednesday – 22nd February PREPS – NO SCHOOL FOR PREPS
Thursday – 23rd February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Friday – 24th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm

Week 5: Drop off and pick up at the dots outside

Monday – 27th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Tuesday – 28th February PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm (Photo day)
Wednesday - 1st March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Thursday – 2nd March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Friday – 3rd March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm

Weeks 6: Drop off at the dots and pick up at the front of the school (unless an alternative is arranged with the classroom teacher)

Monday – 6th March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Tuesday - 7th March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Wednesday – 8th March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Thursday – 9th March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm
Friday – 10th March PREPS – 8.45 am until 3.00 pm

Weeks 7-9: Drop off at the dots and pick up at the front of the school (unless an alternative is arranged with the classroom teacher)

Tuesday 14th March - Friday 31st March – PREPS – 8.45 a.m. until 3.15 p.m.
PLEASE NOTE: Monday – March 13th **LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY – whole school**
Term 1 School Holidays – Monday, 3rd April - Tuesday, 18th April