



HOWRAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Pre-Kinder Information Booklet – Term 4 2019

Pre-Kinder sessions at Howrah Primary School are run by Kindergarten staff and prepare your child for a smooth transition to Kindergarten.

Sessions are only for children who turn four in 2019 and have completed an Application for Enrolment for Kindergarten at Howrah Primary School in 2020.

Children attending must live in our home school area or have older siblings who are currently attending the school.

Children must be accompanied by an adult (parent, grandparent or carer) who is responsible for the supervision and management of the child in their care.

Pre-Kinder sessions focus on one-to-one interaction between adult and child. As the program is aimed at prospective Kindergarten students, parents/carers are encouraged not to bring siblings, other than those in a capsule or backpack.

All adults are asked to assist in the cleaning and packing away of indoor and outdoor equipment.

Our session goals are to

- Enjoy the Kindergarten environment
- Provide children with social interaction outside the home
- Provide children with an opportunity to develop a wide range of skills
- Provide information about the school
- Allow time to talk with other parents/carers and school staff
- Provide opportunities to develop positive relationships between school and home

Kindergarten Orientation

27 November 2019

9:30am – 10:30am

Pre-Kinder is held at
Howrah Kindergarten
Wednesday, 9:15am – 10:30am
Cost is \$3.00 per session
Please bring a smock.

Term 4

Week 1	Wednesday 16 October – Howrah Kinder Gross Motor Focus This session will offer opportunities for practising gross motor skills such as physical coordination, balance, strength, climbing, throwing, catching and kicking.
Week 2	Wednesday 23 October – Botanical Gardens Teddy Bears' Picnic
Week 3	Wednesday 30 October – Howrah Kinder Fine Motor Focus This session will focus on activities that develop fine motor skills such as cutting, threading, building and drawing.
Week 4	Wednesday 6 November – Howrah Kinder Move Well Eat Well This session will offer the opportunity to make several healthy snacks for parents, carers and children to prepare and try.
Week 5	Wednesday 13 November – Howrah Kinder Outdoor Classroom This session will offer opportunities for children to explore outdoors and engage in water play, mud play and art in the environment.
Week 6	Wednesday 20 November – Howrah Kinder Outdoor Classroom This session will offer opportunities for children to explore outdoors and engage in water play, mud play and art in the environment.
Week 7	Wednesday 27 November – Howrah Kinder Kinder Orientation Day Sessions start at 9:15am with your child's Kindergarten teacher for 2020. Please bring along a piece of fruit for your child for morning tea.

Hints to assist your child during the session

- Ask questions to provoke curiosity – how, why, when, where – and stimulate thoughtful responses.
- Engage with your child in learning experiences provided at the session.
- Help children who are becoming frustrated, by support, suggestion and encouragement, always allowing them to reach their own solution.
- Talk to, and have fun with them – read a book to one child or a small group.

Howrah Kinder is Nut and Egg Allergy Aware!

We have students who are allergic to nuts and eggs. As this allergic reaction can be **life threatening**, the school requests your help in ensuring these products are not brought to school or Pre-Kinder sessions. The parents/carers of these students and staff greatly appreciate your assistance in this serious matter.

Pre-Kinder Teachers



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