



ROSEWORTH

PRIMARY SCHOOL



KINDERGARTEN HANDBOOK

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers

On behalf of all the staff, students and parents we hope that your family will enjoy being part of our school. At Roseworth Primary School we strive to provide a learning environment that fosters excellence through self-responsibility, mutual care, respect and community involvement.

We strongly believe that partnerships between the home and the school will assist our students' learning and enable them to achieve their full potential. As such, we consider that quality communication between the school and the home is essential in establishing a learning environment receptive to student and community needs.

This Kindergarten Handbook is designed to inform parents, guardians and community members of the standard procedures associated with the management and organisation of our school. We encourage parents to contact the school should there be anything that remains unclear.

It is our intention that the best possible opportunities are offered to your child to challenge and extend their learning, allowing your child to reach their full potential. Our goal, at all stages, is to provide the necessary ingredients for success and the laying of foundations for successful practices and knowledge for the future. These goals include the following:

- Development of a positive self esteem and an understanding of themselves.
- Participate as members of a group, learning such attributes as sharing and taking turns.
- Development of the ability to work independently.
- Learning how to initiate and interact positively with peers and adults.

We sincerely hope you enjoy your time with us at Roseworth Primary School.

Sue Brockman
Principal

WELCOME TO ROSEWORTH KINDERGARTEN

Please read this information booklet and feel free to ask any questions you may have. The Kindergarten programs will run in two groups:

KINDY 1

Monday and Tuesday	8.50am – 3.00pm
Wednesday	8.50am – 11.30am

KINDY 2

Wednesday	12.20 – 3.00pm
Thursday and Friday	8.50am – 3.00pm

***NOTE: No lunch at School on Wednesday**

Teacher:	Mrs Kate Kriskovich Mrs Donna Tomczak
Education Assistant:	Mrs Kath Jarvis

THE FOUR YEAR OLD'S KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Routines and rules are introduced which help children to feel secure because they know what is expected. Equipment and materials are arranged so that the children can make choices and develop responsibility by putting items away in the correct place.



The day includes times for *'free play'* to allow children to make decisions for themselves and *'structured times'* when they need to listen to others and follow directions.



The program is based on the understanding that children learn by doing, seeing, hearing, touching, tasting, smelling and moving. This learning occurs through play that is thoughtfully planned and supervised. Some of the activities your child will enjoy taking part in may include painting, cutting, glueing, play dough, puzzles, counting and matching games, dressing up and pretending, stories, singing and dancing, block building and constructing, cooking, packing away, climbing, jumping and playing with water and sand. As your child explores, he or she will learn new words and ideas about the world around him/her.

Please do not expect your child to always bring 'something' home from Kindergarten. If they do, praise them and be proud of their efforts.



Much of the benefit of the activities they participate in is in the enjoyment of doing it, not in the end result.

Remember also that every child is different and develops at his/her own rate, so we try to allow for individual needs, abilities and interests.

SUPERVISION

Please bring to, and collect your child from, the Kindergarten door. They should not be left alone.

PICKING UP YOUR CHILD

Please let your child's teacher know if someone different is coming to pick up your child. It is also a good idea to tell your child as well, to reduce any anxieties. If you

are going to be late, please call the school to let us know.

If you are picking your child up early, you are required to attend the Front Office prior to collecting your child from the Pre Primary. Office staff will then give you a completed Leave Pass to hand to your child's teacher.

REQUIREMENTS

All children will need the following items:-

- A large backpack or school bag, big enough for work as well as all their possessions.
- A piece of fruit for morning tea, which is to be shared with everyone. (Savoury biscuits, dried fruit, cheese, sultanas, bread etc are a welcome change from fruit).



- Hats are required



- A bottle of liquid soap.



- A spare set of clothes just in case of any bathroom, or other accidents, during the course of the session.
- 4 x Large Glue Sticks
- Healthy lunch when child is attending on full days.
- Drink bottle with water in it.

Everything clearly labelled please

CLOTHING

It is important to dress your child in comfortable play clothes, so they can join in activities without worrying about spoiling good clothes. We encourage our students to wear the school uniform. Aprons are provided, but accidents still occur.

FOOTWEAR

It would be appreciated if your child could wear shoes or sandals that are easy to remove and put on. If you do not wish your child to remove his/her shoes for any particular reason, please ensure that he/she wears shoes with a flexible sole, good heel and ankle support so that they are safe to be worn while climbing.

BIRTHDAYS



Please feel free to bring a cake to Kindergarten on your child's birthday, to allow us to help celebrate this very important day.

(NO CAKES WITH NUTS PLEASE).

PARENT ROSTER

You are invited to participate in the Kindergarten through the parent roster. Your presence here will give the message to your child that this is a safe and friendly environment and it will make the transition between home and school a much more harmonious one. Your child loves to show you off to their friends and we love to have your help.

SETTLING IN



This may be your child's first experience with any form of organised activity in a large group. It is a big step for your child to develop independence away from their parents and to

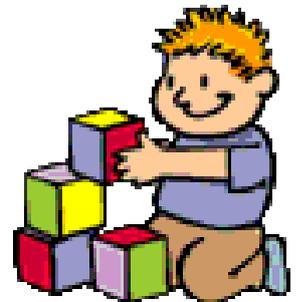
begin to form new relationships. Feeling hesitant about this new situation is normal.



It takes time and patience for children at this age to become familiar with the centre, staff, routines and rules. Please feel welcome to stay with your child and do a puzzle or read a book at the beginning of the day. We encourage you to stay for as long as you feel your child needs you. If they seem happy and settled, then say goodbye and leave. However, if your child makes it clear that your presence is required a little longer, then we suggest you stay until your child is ready to say goodbye. If there are any problems please talk to the teacher about it.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Talking to the teacher is the best way to alleviate any concerns and clear up any misunderstandings.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY DURING THEIR KINDERGARTEN YEAR.