## Yass Public School is...

## a school where children;

- enjoy attending in safety and with confidence
- can learn in a stimulating and challenging but non-threatening environment
- learn according to their potential and develop their skills, interests and talents
- grow with a confidence which is grounded in reality.

### a school where parents;

- and staff share the same goals for children
- are confident in the philosophies and practices of the school
- participate in decision-making and program implementation
- feel free to communicate with staff.

## a school where staff;

- provide a stimulating, supportive and accepting school culture
- are focused on each student's needs
- relate positively with students
- solve problems and make decisions in terms of the common good of students.



## More Information



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## Kindergarten at Yass Public School



www.yass-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

## Getting ready for Kindergarten checklist

- If your child attends an early childhood education service, talk to staff about their transition to school.
- Attend a school orientation or transition to school program and make sure you have the school's phone number. If you need help with English, ask for an interpreter to be present at the orientation meeting. The school will arrange one if required.
- If your child takes medication or has an allergy, a medical condition, disability or additional learning and support needs, inform the school as early as possible and make an appointment to speak with school staff.
- Practise safely walking or travelling to and from school.
- Apply for a school bus pass if needed. Phone 131 500 or go to <u>www.transportnsw.info/school-travel-apply</u>
- Contact the school for an enrolment pack. You will need your child's Birth Certificate and Certificate of Immunisation.
- Take your child to your local community health nurse or doctor for a health check, and make sure their immunisations are up to date before school starts. For details, visit www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/app/pages /default.aspx
- Organise outside of school hours care, if needed. <u>www.aspire-oshc.com.au/our-locations</u>
- Contact: alicia@aspire-oshc.com.au
- Talk about the plan for after school pickup.

## What you will need for 2026

- Library bag
- Lunch box and drink bottle that your child can open independently
- Spare clothes and underwear, in case of an accident
- School hat
- School bag
- Bus tag. If your child has multiple ways of getting home, we advise a tag on their bag with travel arrangements

Please clearly label all belongings with your child's name so it can be easily returned.

# Kindergarten Orientation Days

Day 1: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October - 9.30 to 11.00am

Day 2: Wednesday 12th November - 9.30 to 11.00am

Day 3: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November - 9.30 to 1.00pm

## Please note that children must be enrolled at YPS to attend the Orientation Days.

#### What to expect

If your child has their school uniform, they are welcome to wear it, however it is not compulsory. Children will participate in activities based around literacy and numeracy and 'Getting to know you' games. On Days 1 and 2 the students will not stay for recess. On Day 3 they will stay for recess.

#### What to bring

- Water bottle
- Fruit or vegetables for fruit break
- Hat
- Bag for their belongings.

## 10 ways to prepare for Kindergarten

- Read to your child every day
- Develop fine motor skills: holding a pencil, colouring or cutting with scissors
- Print first name with only the first letter capitalised
- Learn to follow two step instructions;
   "Please go get your shoes and then put them on"
- Use good manners: "Please" and "Thank you"
- Talk about social skills: sharing, taking turns, positive words, talk about your feelings
- Help your child take responsibility: put their belongings away, dress themselves, get their own snacks and open lunch boxes, drink bottles and containers.
- Practise number recognition: count daily
- Practise letter and sound recognition: practise saying the letter and their sound
- Build self-esteem. Praise your child often because Kindergarten can be hard!

You will need your child's Birth Certificate and Certificate of Immunisation at the time of enrolment.