

29th July 2008

**TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN PREP 2009 re
PRE-SCHOOL to PREP ORIENTATION PROGRAM:**

We know the transition from pre-school to school is a significant step in any child's life and that of the family. At Parkhill Primary School, as part of this transition program, we will again be conducting a four week orientation program.

It will commence on Wednesday 5th November and continue until Wednesday 26th November. Parents will be able to leave their child at the Prep Classrooms from 9.10 – 10.15 am. The program will give your child the opportunity to participate in regular classroom activities & routines and to make new friends.

During this time parents will be invited to morning tea with staff/school personnel. We will give you the opportunity to find out more about the school (see below) and to ask questions etc. It is also a great opportunity for parents to meet one another, especially new families.

Four Week Orientation Program for Pre-school Children and Parents		
Week 1	Wednesday 5th November	Introduction and Welcome to Parkhill - Mr. Gavin Bransgrove (Principal) Out of School Hours Care - Mrs Leanne Fielding (Coordinator)
Week 2	Wednesday 12th November	Preparing your Child for School & Prep Entry Assessment - Mrs. Jan Tuck (Prep Coordinator) Student support services, Library & Lunchtime Clubs - Mrs. Kay Edwards (Assistant Principal)
Week 3	Wednesday 19th November	Canteen, Uniforms, Parent Involvement - Parents & Friends Association: President/Representative - School Council: President/Representative
Week 4	Wednesday 26th November	Special Programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information Computer Technology, Library & Science• Reading Recovery, ESL & Intervention programs• Choir/Band/Instrumental Music• CHALLENGE – extension and accelerated programs• LOTE – Chinese Mandarin• Physical Education & Sport• Visual & Performing Arts - Mr. Gavin Bransgrove (Principal)

**If you have any questions, please contact
Kay Edwards, Assistant Principal or Jan Tuck, Prep Coordinator: Telephone 9807 2239**

N.B.: Official Orientation Day is Tuesday 9th December 9.15-11.45am

On this day your child will:

- spend time in their 2009 classroom with their 2009 Prep teacher
- receive their Prep 2009 information booklets and all other information
- be able to purchase their uniform for 2009

Further details re “Orientation Day” will be forwarded closer to the date

**Gavin Bransgrove
Principal**