

# **Beverley District High School**

**Independent Public School** 

'Working in Unity to make a difference for every child'

BDHS sits on the lands of our Noongar people and we acknowledge them as the traditional custodians of the Ballardong region.



# BEVERLEY EARLY LEARNING CENTRE INFORMATION BOOKLET 2023

### WELCOME

A big welcome to the children and their families to the BDHS Kindy/Pre-Primary. Our staff look forward to getting to know both you and your child over the coming months. Staff will endeavor to make your child's learning experiences interesting and stimulating, thus laying a good foundation for future learning in years to come. The Kindy students will be working alongside our Pre Primary students in our Early Learning Centre in 2023, being provided with rich and supportive learning programs and plenty of opportunities for play. Our Kindy class will operate from ELC A Building.



#### **TIMES**

Children, other than those arriving by bus, will not be expected before 8.30am. Please also try to adhere to the pick-up time - 3.00pm (2.20pm on Thursday). Some children can become anxious if there is no one to claim them, although no child will be left unattended. Please ring the front office or the classroom if something unforeseen occurs. School Office: 9646 2500

#### ATTENDANCE DAYS

Kindy students will be attending 2 days in Semester 1 (Term 1 & 2) and 3 days in Semester 2 (Term 3 & 4). These days will be confirmed by the end of Term 4.

### **ABSENTEES**

Once you have enrolled your child in Kindy you have made a commitment for them to attend each day the program is available. If your child is absent due to illness, appointments etc. please notify the school to avoid automated SMS texts being sent to your phone asking for an explanation.

# **FEES**

The voluntary contributions and charges for 2023 are detailed below:

Kindy to Year 6 contribution inclusive:

Contribution per student (Kindy to Year 6) \$60.00 Library Voluntary Fund (Optional) \$20.00 per family

P & C Membership (Optional) \$ 1.00 per member

Your prompt payment at the beginning of Term 1 is appreciated. The contribution helps towards the cost of materials & consumables used by the students during the year.



#### WHAT TO WEAR

All Government School students are required to wear a school uniform. **ALL CLOTHING MUST BE NAMED.** The Beverley District High School uniform is as follows:

- ☆ Primary shirt: Red and Black shirt with embroidered school crest
- ☆ Pants or shorts: plain black cargo shorts, cargo trousers, fleecy track pants or leggings
- **☆ Skirt or skorts**: plain black
- Jumper: red polar fleece with embroidered school crest
- ☆ Jacket: full zip black with red trim, micro-fibre jacket with embroidered school crest
- ☆ Beanie: school colours embroidered with school name
- A Hats: Students are provided with a distinctive blue hat

Footwear: Sandals or closed in shoes. Please ensure if your child is wearing shoelaces, they are able to tie them, otherwise velcro is more appropriate. NO THONGS, UGG BOOTS OR GUMBOOTS are to be worn to school as they pose a hazard when using outdoor equipment (Shorts are practical for girls as they do a lot of climbing)

Students should keep a change of clothes (including socks and underwear) in a plastic bag in their school bag in case of accidents. Please check at the end of each term that these items still fit and are seasonally appropriate.

School uniforms are available for purchase from Avon Trading "Nex Dor", located on Vincent Street, Beverley.

# ON THE FIRST DAY

Staff endeavour to make the first day of Kindy as calm and positive as possible. However, it can seem a little overwhelming at first. We recommend that parents bring students in on the first morning and assist them in settling in. If your child is to be on the bus, please let staff know.

If your child cries or is upset when you leave, please do not be alarmed. This is common and a normal reaction when feeling unsure in a new environment. Simply say good-bye and reassure them you will collect them at the end of the day before leaving. With comfort and reassurance from the staff any tears usually stop quite quickly.

# **FOOD**

Lunchboxes will be kept in the classroom.

FRUIT: We request that all students bring a piece of fruit chopped and in a container each day for 'Crunch and Sip'.

**LUNCH:** All students should bring lunch in a lunchbox (with an ice brick on hot days) and a bottle filled with **WATER** only. Lunchboxes and water bottles will be kept in the classroom. Please include no

more than **ONE** "treat" type food. Cool drink and lollies are not appropriate for school.



Staff would like to remind all parents that we have students at our school with severe and life threatening allergies. As a school community, we need to ensure that the risk for these students is minimised and that we have procedures in place to assist students should they become ill as a result of ingesting foods. We always request that students do not share food with their friends; however well-meaning this seems.

You will be advised by teachers if any students in your child's class have food allergies that you will need to be aware of.

# MEDICAL INFORMATION

Please refer to the Student Health Care Parent Information brochure attached.

#### **ILLNESS**

Children who are unwell **should not** attend school. A child who is unwell often does not cope well during the day. Staying home also helps curb the spread of infection to other students and staff.



# Please keep your child home if they are suffering any of the following:

- \* Head Lice (until appropriate treatment has been administered and any lice have been removed)
- \* Ear/Nose/Eye discharge

- \* Weeping Sores
- \* Diarrhoea (or has had an episode in the last 12 hours)
- \* Fever
- \* Vomiting (or has vomited in the last 12 hours)
- \* Any signs of infectious disease (Chickenpox, Ringworm, School sores, Influenza etc.)

We must adhere to Department COVID regulations. If your child is unwell or showing any cold and flu symptoms, please keep them at home until they are well.

Should your child become unwell during the day you will be contacted and asked to make arrangements for them to be collected.

# PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION IS UP-TO-DATE THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

#### **BUSES**

Students who are travelling on buses will be supported to make their way to the classroom in the morning. In the afternoon, a staff member will escort the students to the bus area on John Street and put each child on their respective bus. If you wish to pick your bus child up from school, please notify the staff via note in the share book or by phone before 2pm, as the students leave before the end of the day to be at the main bus stop by 3pm. Be sure to notify staff and your bus driver if there are any changes to your child's schedule.



# School Bus Rules (As required by the Public Transport Authority)

- Follow the instructions of your driver
- Let other students travel in peace
- No eating on the school bus
- Do not move around in the bus
- Do not throw any objects inside, or out of the bus
- Do not put any part of your body out of the window
- Leave emergency exits and equipment alone
- Stay off the steps while the bus is moving

Please note: These rules apply to all the students when travelling on a school bus. Should you have any queries regarding bus transport or bus related incidents, please contact your bus contractor to discuss.

# COMMITTEE

The day to day running costs for the Kindy are the responsibility of the Department of Education. We have a Kindy/Pre-Primary Committee which is a sub committee of the P&C.

The Committee consists of:

- ☆ Chairperson
- ☆ Vice Chairperson
- ☆ Secretary/Treasurer
- ☆ Committee people

For your interest, the committee has given itself the following responsibilities:

- ☆ To promote the interest of Kindy and Pre-Primary.
- ☆ To encourage parents to participate in the children's program under the direction of the teacher.
- ☆ To stimulate the interest of parents in education through a variety of activities.
- ☆ To represent the special interests of Kindy and Pre-Primary students and their families at P&C meetings.
- ☆ To fundraise as required.

Your support when called upon would be very much appreciated.

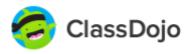
#### **NOTES AND NEWSLETTERS**

Any notes, newsletters or personal correspondence will be put in your child's communication folder. Please check after each session to avoid missing the latest! There will be a communication book in the folder. This is for parents and staff to use to inform one another of any information regarding your child.

The school produces a newsletter twice per term which Family Representatives will receive via email. The school also produces a term planner at the start of each term. You can also keep up to date by checking our website www.beverleydhs.wa.edu.au Information about Facebook.



The school also has a **Facebook page** where you can see what's happening and be notified of upcoming events. Please like us!



At Beverley DHS we communicate positive feedback and photos of students involved in classroom and school activities to the classes' parent group via ClassDojo. Parents are encouraged to download the app and you will be provided with a login and password to access this.

#### "WORK" THAT CHILDREN BRING HOME

Please respond positively to the 'work' that your child brings home. Most of the activities we do are about PROCESS not PRODUCT, so ask them how they did it, or what made them choose that box/colour/shape etc. Please also be aware that there is more to each session than the Art activities, so you may like to discuss the building they made from blocks or the dinner they cooked in the Home Corner!

# **SPECIAL OCCASIONS**

From time to time there will have special events at Kindy and you will be asked to provide something. These are planned to enhance the program, not to add to parents' busy workloads. Notes will be sent home via the communication book and Compass.



# **PARENT HELP**

More information regarding parent help will go home to parents at the beginning of the school year. There will be many opportunities for you to be involved in your child's learning and in special events. You may also be asked to volunteer to help out on special projects during the year. Please help if you can, as your child will treasure this time with you in the classroom.

### **RECYCLED ITEMS**

Items you no longer require are great for classroom use. Please save bottle tops, Easter egg wrappers, white plastic bags, corks etc. If you come across any great dress ups (eg handbags, hats, dresses, scarves) staff would love first option on it.

# PARENTS AND VISITORS TO OUR ROOM

All people entering the school grounds during school hours must enter at the front office and are required to sign both 'in' and 'out'. This includes when dropping off lunches.

# **CANTEEN**

The canteen is available to students for <u>LUNCH ONLY</u> on Monday and Friday that is ordered through the Mastercard QKR App (Bec Halbert Farming Trust) that needs to be downloaded (Apple or Android). This is an external service provided to the school, this is not a school run canteen.

#### **LIBRARY**

Students will visit the Library and have the opportunity to select a book. We encourage students to take responsibility for their own book and ensure it is returned on or before Library Day. You will be notified of Library day when confirmed in 2023.

# **CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE**

Our P&C constantly fundraise money for our school through the collection of recyclable drink cans, bottles and juice boxes. The trailer is located behind the school canteen, so any items you can contribute to this is much appreciated. Please drop bags of cans/bottles/juice boxes into the trailer for collection.

Staff are looking forward to a rewarding and fun year with your child. If you have any queries, please phone the school to make an appointment or place a short note in the Communication Book.



If you have any concerns or issues in 2023, please call the school on 9646 2500 and you will be put through to the classroom, or place a short note in the communication book and staff will respond.





# Beverley District High School Personal Items List 2023 Kindy and Pre Primary

Item Description	Kindy	Pre-Prim
A3 Display Folder (20 pocket) A3 20 Pocket Display Book	1	1
A4 Plastic Display Folder	1	1
A4 Plastic Document Wallet	4	4
A5 Exercise Book (covered)	1	1
Box of Tissues	1	1
Bullet Point Artline 700 Black Pen	2	2
Coloured Pencils – Faber Castel Jumbo Triangular	1	2
Cushion (40x40cm with removable cover) No pillow pets	1	1
Fine 0.4 liner pen black	1	1
Glue Stick 35g UHU or Bostik (white)	4	6
Headphones for computer – no buds (green jack – not USB) in	1	1
storage bag		
Lead Pencil – Faber Castel Jumbo Grip	2	4
Library book bag (40 x 40cm) waterproof	1	1
Packet of paper plates 10 pack	1	1
Scrapbook (72 pages) (covered)	3	7
Textas junior jumbo (pkt) eg: <u>Junior Jumbo Textas</u>	1	1
Whiteboard markers – any colour eg: Whiteboard Markers	4	6
Wind-up Crayons (pkt)	1	1
Zip Lock Bags sandwich size pk 25	1	1
Zip Lock Bag Large (Single not pack)	1	1
Please bring highlighted of the following:		
Cream of Tartar		
500g Salt	1	1
500g Plain Flour		
300g Cornflour		

• Please bring items to school on the first day – all personal items to be named.

# **Voluntary Contributions**

The 2022 Voluntary Contributions have been set as follows:

Kindergarten to Year 6 \$60 per student Library Fund (optional) \$20 per family P&C Contribution (optional) \$1 per parent

Contributions are to be paid at the school office during the first week of Term 1.