



Starting School Information Session

Kindergarten &
New Pre-primary Families

Please collect your Welcome Pack before taking your seat.

Acknowledgement of Country



We respectfully acknowledge the past and present traditional custodians of this land on which we are meeting.

We also acknowledge the contributions of Aboriginal Australians to the education of all children and people in this country we all live in and share together.

Team Henley Brook



- Principal, Daniel Bergin
- Deputy Principal, Elise Koch
- Kindy Teacher, Abby Joyce
- Kindy Teacher, Kelsey Andrews



Today's Session

- General information only
- What does Kindy and Pre-primary look like at HBPS?
- Supporting a successful transition
- Helpful tips
- Answer questions
- Where to next?



Our School



- Our school is built to accommodate 430 students in permanent buildings
- Room to accommodate 12 transportable classrooms and/or an additional teaching blocks taking potential numbers over 700
- 208 current enrolments, approximately 300-330 expected for 2025

*"With a focus on the **whole child**, we are more than a school. We strive to be a **connected community**; dedicated to supporting each child to develop the **skills, knowledge and mindset to thrive** in their evolving world"*

Connect • Belong • Thrive •

What does this look like in Early Childhood?

- ECE is the powerhouse of our school
- Majority of our students are in ECE
- We are committed to getting it right!
- Explicit teaching of core skills
- Consolidation of learning through purposeful play and exploration
- Support the social, emotional, physical and academic growth of each child
- Value child agency and building independence



School Values & Behaviour Expectations



We can all be a
Henley Brook
HERO!



HHEART

- We are mindful of how our words and actions impact others.
- We treat others with compassion, kindness, empathy and respect.

EXCELLENCE

- We have high expectations
- We strive to be the best we can be.

RESILIENCE

- We bounce back and keep going, even when we are facing challenges

OPTIMISM

- We approach all tasks, experiences and opportunities with a positive, can-do attitude.



- High expectations for student behaviour
- Values are linked to our school vision
- Positive approach to behaviour linked to school values
- Social skills and oral language is an ECE focus
- Social challenges are quite common in Kindy and Pre-primary as students learn skills like sharing and taking turns

A day in Kindy and Pre-primary



- **Doors Open: 8.15am**
- **Start Time: 8.25am**
- **Finish Time: 2.35pm**
- Start the day with 10 minutes family time
- When instruction time begins, children will say goodbye to parents and sit on the mat to begin the day
- Please arrive on time for pick up, children must be released to a parent/guardian, or someone on their enrolment form

2025 Classes... At this stage!



- 66 Kindergarten students (4 classes)
- 63 Pre-primary students (3 classes)
- Kindergarten classes named **Puggle** and **Joey**
- Kindergarten days:
A Rotation: Monday, Tuesday, odd week Wednesday
B Rotation: Even week Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
- Your allocated Rotation is on the sticker on the back of your Welcome Pack.
- A Calendar magnet is in your welcome pack
- Pre-primary = Full time!

2025 Kindergarten Calendar

TERM ONE					TERM TWO						
WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	10th Feb	11th Feb	12th Feb	13th Feb	14th Feb	1	10th May	11th May	12th May	13th May	14th May
2	17th Feb	18th Feb	19th Feb	20th Feb	21st Feb	2	17th May	18th May	19th May	20th May	21st May
3	24th Feb	25th Feb	26th Feb	27th Feb	28th Feb	3	24th May	25th May	26th May	27th May	28th May
4	3rd Mar	4th Mar	5th Mar	6th Mar	7th Mar	4	31st May	1st Jun	2nd Jun	3rd Jun	4th Jun
5	10th Mar	11th Mar	12th Mar	13th Mar	14th Mar	5	7th Jun	8th Jun	9th Jun	10th Jun	11th Jun
6	17th Mar	18th Mar	19th Mar	20th Mar	21st Mar	6	14th Jun	15th Jun	16th Jun	17th Jun	18th Jun
7	24th Mar	25th Mar	26th Mar	27th Mar	28th Mar	7	21st Jun	22nd Jun	23rd Jun	24th Jun	25th Jun
8	31st Mar	1st Apr	2nd Apr	3rd Apr	4th Apr	8	28th Jun	29th Jun	30th Jun	1st Jul	2nd Jul
9	7th Apr	8th Apr	9th Apr	10th Apr	11th Apr	9	5th Jul	6th Jul	7th Jul	8th Jul	9th Jul
10	14th Apr	15th Apr	16th Apr	17th Apr	18th Apr	10	12th Jul	13th Jul	14th Jul	15th Jul	16th Jul
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Saturday 12th April - Monday 28th April					SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Saturday 3rd July - Sunday 20th July						
TERM THREE					TERM FOUR						
WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	21st July	22nd July	23rd July	24th July	25th July	1	12th Oct	13th Oct	14th Oct	15th Oct	16th Oct
2	28th July	29th July	30th July	31st July	1st Aug	2	19th Oct	20th Oct	21st Oct	22nd Oct	23rd Oct
3	4th Aug	5th Aug	6th Aug	7th Aug	8th Aug	3	26th Oct	27th Oct	28th Oct	29th Oct	30th Oct
4	11th Aug	12th Aug	13th Aug	14th Aug	15th Aug	4	2nd Nov	3rd Nov	4th Nov	5th Nov	6th Nov
5	18th Aug	19th Aug	20th Aug	21st Aug	22nd Aug	5	9th Nov	10th Nov	11th Nov	12th Nov	13th Nov
6	25th Aug	26th Aug	27th Aug	28th Aug	29th Aug	6	16th Nov	17th Nov	18th Nov	19th Nov	20th Nov
7	1st Sep	2nd Sep	3rd Sep	4th Sep	5th Sep	7	23rd Nov	24th Nov	25th Nov	26th Nov	27th Nov
8	8th Sep	9th Sep	10th Sep	11th Sep	12th Sep	8	30th Nov	1st Dec	2nd Dec	3rd Dec	4th Dec
9	15th Sep	16th Sep	17th Sep	18th Sep	19th Sep	9	7th Dec	8th Dec	9th Dec	10th Dec	11th Dec
10	22nd Sep	23rd Sep	24th Sep	25th Sep	26th Sep	10	14th Dec	15th Dec	16th Dec	17th Dec	18th Dec
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Saturday 27th September - Sunday 12th October					SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Friday 18th December - Sunday 31st February 2026						

Out of School Hours Care



- Big Childcare are our OSH provider
- Julie Thomas
- Based in Block 4
- Information in your Welcome Pack
- Before School Care: 6.30am-8.15am
- After School Care: 2.35pm-6.00pm

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CHILDCARE

Uniforms



- Uniform Concepts are our uniform provider
- All students are required to wear the school uniform
- Information regarding purchasing is in your Welcome Pack
- Store located in Inglewood

Uniform
Concepts



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Uniforms



- School polo
- Navy shorts/skort/pants
- School dress option available
- **School hats are required**
- The school jacket or jumper is **required.**
- If you would like your child to wear an undershirt/tights, they **MUST** be navy blue only.
- Sneakers and sandals, not thongs
- Library Bag also available



Factions



- 4 factions
- Each child has been allocated to a faction, it is listed on your Welcome Pack
- This determines the colour hat you need to buy
- Faction shirts are also available, not essential for Kindy
- For PP-Year 6: Faction Shirt Fridays



Booklist/Stationery & Personal Items

2025 Cooking and Craft Contributions list



Dear 2025 Kindergarten Families,

We would be extremely grateful if you could please donate the below items at the beginning of the 2025 school year. Your contribution will support the school to deliver hands-on, creative, multi-sensory learning experiences in Kindergarten.

BOYS to Supply	GIRLS to Supply
1 x 1kg White Rice	1 x Puffy Mins
1 x Packet Corn Wood Balls	1 x Cream of Tartar
1 x 1kg Cooking Oil	1 x 1kg Flour
1 x Medium Sized Zip Lock Bags	1 x Large Zip Lock Bags
1 x 1L Vegetable Oil	1 x Pack of Tube Pasta (Penne, rigatoni or macaroni)
1 x Bottle of Food Colouring	1 x Can of Homebrand/Coles Brand Shaving Cream
1 x Packet of Assorted Stickers (examples include stars, animals or shapes available from supermarkets or Rod Dot)	1 x Packet of Assorted Stickers (examples include stars, animals or shapes available from supermarkets or Rod Dot)

Thank you for supporting our school.

Karen Wilkey
President of Henley Brook PS
Parents and Citizens Association Inc.

<http://www.henleybrookps.com.au/parents-pack>

- Campion are our providers
- Instructions are on the booklist
- Delivery available for \$5
- Booklists are in your Welcome Pack
- Cooking and Craft Contributions
- Send ALL items at the start of the year
- Do not label items, only label items in the 'Parents to Supply' section. Items in Kindy and PP are shared.
- Teachers will record that they have received items.
- 'Pay it Forward'

School Contributions and Charges

- School Contributions and Charges document is in your Welcome Pack
- \$60 Voluntary Contributions
- Fees can be paid through Champion
- They can also be paid by direct deposit or Eftpos
- Voluntary Contributions are used to provide resources for student learning in a range of learning areas



Contributions & Charges 2025

Students are entitled to participate in an educational program that satisfies the requirements of the Western Australian Curriculum and Assessment Outline. Principals, in consultation with their school board, and in accordance with the School Education Act 1999 and School Education Regulations 2003, determine all contributions and charges requested of parents for the education of their children.

Voluntary Contributions
A voluntary contribution is a payment made by families to the school to cover the cost of materials, services and facilities used by students in their educational program. At Henley Brook PS, contribution amount is set at \$60 per student. Parents are encouraged to pay the voluntary amount for their children at the beginning of each year directly to the school or via supplier.

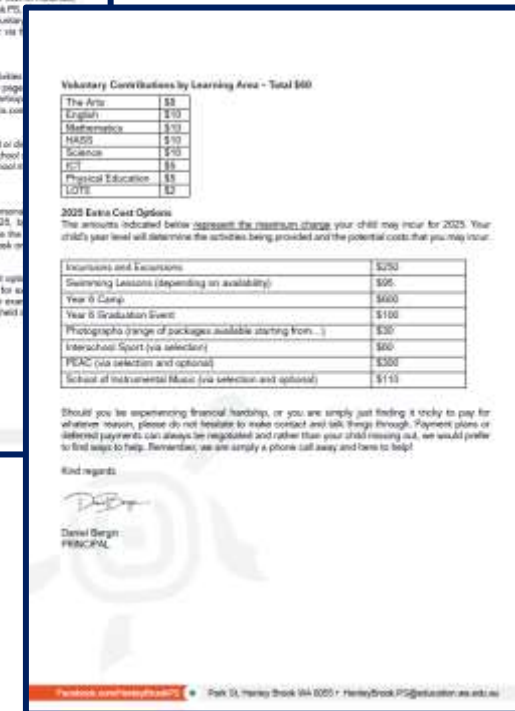
Extra Cost Options
Throughout the year, students have opportunities for a range of extra-curricular activities, their learning experiences. These extra cost options are included on the following page, that these are the maximum costs that we can charge. Where students wish to participate, will be requested during the school year when costs and participation by students is confirmed.

Payment Options
There are several payment options available to you. We accept EFTPOS, credit card or direct deposit. Credit Card Payments can be made through the front office via EFTPOS. Our school system, CHAMPION, will also have an option to pay via the system straight to the school if easier for families.

Personal News for student use
The school determines the items to be supplied by families for the student's personal use during the year. The resource lists are approved by the School Board for 2025. The Concubator Committee and applied to parents no later than two months before the start of the school year. As a school, we consider the cost to parents and ensure that we ask or necessary to effectively run our educational programs.

The following page has a breakdown of the voluntary contributions and extra cost options. 100% of the contributions and charges goes directly to the students and is used for as indicated in the table provided. If money is ever paid for your child's education for extra-curricular is calculated, the money will either be paid back to you, or if you prefer, held for you to access for your child at a later date.

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Voluntary Contributions by Learning Area - Total \$60

The Arts	\$8
English	\$10
Mathematics	\$10
NAES	\$10
Science	\$10
PET	\$8
Physical Education	\$8
LOTE	\$6

2025 Extra Cost Options
The amounts indicated below represent the maximum charges your child may incur for 2025. Your child's year level will determine the activities being provided and the potential costs that you may incur.

Excursions and Events	\$250
Swimming Lessons (depending on availability)	\$60
Year 6 Camp	\$600
Year 6 Graduation Dinner	\$100
Photographs (range of packages available starting from...)	\$30
Inter-school Sport (via selection)	\$60
TPAC (via selection and optional)	\$300
School of Instrumental Music (via selection and optional)	\$100

Should you be experiencing financial hardship, or you are simply just finding it tricky to pay for whatever reason, please do not hesitate to make contact and ask things through. Payment plans or deferred payments can always be negotiated and rather than your child missing out, we would prefer to find ways to help. Remember, we are simply a phone call away and here to help!

Kind regards,

David Bergin
PRINCIPAL

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Starting School: Term 1 Focus



- Building relationships & making friends
- Building familiarity with the school environment
- Establishing routines & settling in
- Regulating emotions
- Learning to be away from Mum & Dad
- **Building independence**

School Bag & Important Items



- **LARGE** school bag
- Practise opening and closing, when it is full!
- Lunch and Recess in **SEPARATE** containers
- Large bottle with **WATER ONLY**
- Spare change of clothes
- **School bucket hat**
- Sunscreen roller

Eating Times

- Children will eat their biggest meal of the day (lunch) at their 1st break
- Pack recess and lunch in **SEPARATE** containers children can open/close independently
- No need for a cooler bag in K-PP
- We promote healthy eating
- Please try to minimise packaged foods
- Pre-open yoghurt pouches
- Water only
- Pack food your child can eat independently
- Children will eat less than they do home. Please don't overpack and don't be alarmed if they don't eat it all.
- **Nut Free**



School Nurse: Free Health Checks

- All children in WA are eligible for a check-up with the School Nurse when they are in Kindergarten
- Next year, a form will be sent home for you to fill in with information about your child
- The nurse will then come to school and play games with each child at school to check their eye-sight, hearing and dental health
- This is a free service
- Pre-primary students who did not receive a Free Health Check in Kindergarten, are also eligible



Government of Western Australia
Child and Adolescent Health Service
WA Country Health Service

**Information for the School Entry
Health Assessment (free check)**

Child's name: _____
School: _____

A REMINDER
Is your child
up to date with
immunisation?
Boosters are due
at 4 years

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- President: Kirsten Witney
- The P & C support our school through volunteering and fundraising
- \$1 to become a member
- Commitment can vary, do what you can!
- Meetings held at family friendly times and locations
- <https://www.facebook.com/henleybrookpspandc>
- <https://henleybrookps-pandc.square.site/>

Starting School



Helpful Tips!



Helpful Tips

- Toileting: Encourage your child to pull their pants up and down, have a go at wiping their own bottom. It is not our role to toilet train your child, but we are here to support your family on your journey.
- Try putting on shoes and socks. Please only send children in shoes they can take on and off independently
- **NO SHOE LACES-** Unless your child can tie them!
- Practise opening and closing containers
- Practise opening and closing school bag
- Encourage your child to ask for help when needed
- Have a consistent bed-time routine, 5 years old children still need 10-12 hours each night



Helpful Tips



- Read to your child everyday
- Share stories with your child
- Maintain your home language
- Play games that encourage sharing and taking turns
- Encourage physical activity, limit screen time
- Encourage craft, cutting and painting to build fine motor skills
- **There is no need to teach your child to write their name**, we will teach them the correct formations when they are ready.
- Support your child to recognise their name

What comes next?

Kindy: Individual Welcome Meetings



- Learn more about your child and family
- **Parent/s and child to attend**
- Dates in Weeks 1, 2 and 3 next term
- Interpreters are available on request
- Book through Try Booking
- Booking sheets with QR Code are in your Welcome Packs
- PP families, you will be offered a transition meeting mid Term 4. You will be contacted by the front office next term to book a time.



Pre-Kindy Program

- You were notified about Pre-Kindy when you came to fill in your enrolment form
- Places are strictly limited
- We have a few positions remaining
- Email elise.koch@education.wa.edu.au if you are interested.
- 5 x 1 hour sessions with a Kindy teacher
- Even week Thursdays in Term 4
- Maximum 10 children
- A parent must attend alongside their child
- Please, no siblings



Come and Play!



- 1 x 45-minute session with a Kindy teacher
- Term 4, Week 6
- You will be sent a booking email
- A parent must attend alongside their child
- Please, no siblings
- Explore Kindergarten alongside your child
- Familiarise your child with the Kindergarten environment
- Not required for those attending Pre-Kindy, however you are welcome to attend





Questions?



Thank You!