



Welcome to

Yarrabilba

STATE SCHOOL

Here is some
additional school
information



School Communication

Website

- Find important forms and information
- Enrolment information
- Book lists
- Information about our school
- Calendar of events

Our website address is
www.yarrabilbass.eq.edu.au



QParents

- View/change student history eg. attendance and contact information.
- View and pay invoices issued by the school (excursions, book fees etc.)
- View Report Cards
- Excursion consent



Email the office for more details on how to register for QParents. You can download the app on the iOS App store or Google Play store. Or visit qparents.qld.edu.au. For further help pop in and see our friendly office staff.

Facebook

- Whats happening in the classroom
- Upcoming events
- Important news and notices

Facebook is the first place to check for upcoming events and to see what is happening around the school. Like our page and add us to your favourites.



Push Notifications

- School event reminders
- Final payment reminders
- Other urgent information or reminders
- Absentee notifications



Push notifications are sent to your email address and/or mobile phone via sms. Push notifications may also be sent by the QSchools app. If you have not done so, download the QSchools app and add us as a favourite.

Face to face

Come in and see us. We welcome our school community but please keep in mind that without an appointment staff may not be able to meet with you at your time of arrival. It is best to make an appointment by email or phone to come in and have a chat.



If your matter is urgent or complex, you are welcome to call 5670 7333.

Note: The office can get busy at times, emailing is the preferred method.



Email the office of any concerns or questions

admin@yarrabilbass.eq.edu.au

Please keep us up to date with all your contact information, address, phone numbers, student emergency contact people ect.





Absentee notifications

- SMS mobile notifications. If you receive a notification on your phone you can reply text to advise the school of the students absence. A simple sick, family, appointment ect explanation is all we need. This reply needs to be done on the day you receive the notification; our system will not download any notifications received after the day of the absence.
- Planned early student collection, we ask that you notify the school before 9:30am. This can be done via email/phone or we prefer the use of the QParents app. This helps alleviate disruption to the students valuable learning time. It will also mean minimal waiting time for yourself as we can arrange to have the student ready at the office at your allocated time. Calls for pickups after 2pm will not be accommodated, you will have to wait until school finishes for collection.
- Outstanding absentee notifications. Should you get an email about your students' past absences please reply with an explanation. Alternatively, you can update the absence on the QParent app with an explanation for the absent days listed.
- If your child is away for an extended absence, please advise the school. We may require a medical certificate or an exemption may need to be completed.



Office Hours

8am – 3pm Monday to Friday school terms



Yarrabilba
STATE SCHOOL

1-35 Darnell Street, Yarrabilba Qld 4207

Phone: 07 5670 7333

Email: admin@yarrabilbass.eq.edu.au

Website: yarrabilbass.eq.edu.au

Bell Times



Time	Bell Name
8:25am	Start of school day
8:30 – 9:20	Lesson 1 & 2
9:20 – 10:20	Lesson 2 & 3
10:20 – 10:30	First break eating time
10:30 – 10:55	First break play time
10:55 – 11:00	Transition to learning
11:00 – 12:00	Lesson 5 & 6
12:00 – 1:00pm	Lesson 7 & 8
1:00 – 1:10	Second break eating time
1:10 – 1:35	Second break play time
1:35 – 1:40	Transition to learning
1:40 – 2:40	Lesson 9 & 10
2:40pm	Home time

Full School Parade

Parade is held in the hall on odd weeks
starting at 2pm family members are welcome

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QParents

Enjoy convenient and secure online access to your child's student information.

You can easily:



provide digital consent



read or download report cards



notify of absences



pay invoices



see your child's timetable and school events.



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Learn more
about QParents



Register or login
at QParents



Download the free app



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Apple





Yarrabilba
STATE SCHOOL

UNIFORM SHOP

School Uniform Shop

Trading Hours: Wednesdays & Fridays 8:00am – 10.30am during term time

Location: Yarrabilba State School, 1-35 Darnell Street, Yarrabilba

Email: yarrabilba.states@theschoollocker.com.au

Website: theschoollocker.com.au/schools/yarrabilba-state-school

Online Uniform Shop

The School Locker website is a convenient one-stop-shop for school uniforms, school footwear, stationery, technology, musical instruments, sports equipment and more. When you purchase uniforms online you may choose to have your order shipped directly to you or collect it from the school uniform shop. Scan the code below to find your uniforms online.

Student Advantage Membership

Be sure to set up your free Student Advantage Membership. Log-in each time you shop online to access special pricing and ensure your school earns revenue from all your purchases. To get started visit the School Locker website here theschoollocker.com.au/customer/account.



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GET THE STUDENT ADVANTAGE

Follow these simple steps to access the School Locker's Student Advantage Program. To learn more scan the code below and watch our explainer video.

[THESCHOOLLOCKER.COM.AU/CUSTOMER/ACCOUNT](https://theschoollocker.com.au/customer/account)

STEP 1

The screenshot shows the School Locker website's login page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links like 'My Account', 'My Wishlist', 'My Cart', 'Checkout', and 'Log In'. Below this, there's a search bar and a 'BAG (0)' link. The main content area is titled 'Login or Create an Account'. On the left, under 'NEW CUSTOMERS', there's a list of benefits: 'Create an account to:', 'check out quicker', 'store multiple shipping addresses', 'view your orders', and 'register for a Student Advantage membership'. At the bottom of this section, the 'CREATE AN ACCOUNT' button is circled in red. On the right, under 'REGISTERED CUSTOMERS', there's a form to log in with 'Email Address' and 'Password' fields. Below this, there's a 'Forgot Your Password?' link and a 'LOGIN' button, which is also circled in red.

Are you a new customer?

Click CREATE AN ACCOUNT and go to Step 2.

Do you have an account but need to set up your Student Advantage Membership?

Login to your account using the REGISTERED CUSTOMERS form. Refer to Step 3 instructions.

STEP 2

The screenshot shows the 'Create an Account' form. It has two main sections: 'PERSONAL INFORMATION' and 'LOGIN INFORMATION'. The 'PERSONAL INFORMATION' section includes fields for 'First Name*', 'Last Name*', 'Email Address*', and a checkbox for 'Sign up for Newsletter'. The 'LOGIN INFORMATION' section includes fields for 'Password*' and 'Confirm Password*'. At the bottom, there's a 'I'm not a robot' checkbox and a 'SUBMIT' button, which is circled in red. There's also a 'Back' link at the bottom left.

Complete the CREATE AN ACCOUNT form. You will be re-directed to the MY DASHBOARD page.

STEP 3

The screenshot shows the 'My Dashboard' page. On the left, there's a 'Hello, Student Smith!' greeting and a 'My Account' sidebar with links like 'Account Dashboard', 'Account Information', 'Address Book', 'My Orders', 'My Product Reviews', 'My Wishlist', and 'Newsletter Subscriptions'. The main content area is titled 'My Dashboard' and contains sections for 'ACCOUNT INFORMATION', 'DEFAULT BILLING ADDRESS', 'DEFAULT SHIPPING ADDRESS', and 'STUDENT ADVANTAGE INFORMATION'. In the 'STUDENT ADVANTAGE INFORMATION' section, the 'STUDENT ADVANTAGE CARD NUMBER' button is circled in red.

Click on the STUDENT ADVANTAGE CARD NUMBER button. You will be re-directed to the EDIT ACCOUNT INFORMATION page.

STEP 4

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Account Information' page. It has two main sections: 'ACCOUNT INFORMATION' and 'STUDENT ADVANTAGE INFORMATION'. The 'ACCOUNT INFORMATION' section includes fields for 'First Name*', 'Last Name*', 'Email Address*', and a 'Change Password' checkbox. The 'STUDENT ADVANTAGE INFORMATION' section includes a 'Student Advantage Card Number' field, a 'School' dropdown, and two buttons: 'FOR K-12 STUDENTS CLICK HERE' (circled in red) and 'UNIVERSITY STUDENTS CLICK HERE'. There's also a 'SUBMIT' button at the bottom right, which is circled in red.

If you DON'T have a Student Advantage Number, click on the FOR K-12 STUDENTS CLICK HERE button. A pop-up window will appear. Complete your details including parent/guardian name, email address, student name, school and year level. Click SUBMIT. This will immediately assign your Student Advantage number to your account. Click SAVE and you will see Student Advantage pricing each time you login.

SCAN TO WATCH



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UNIFORM PRICE LIST

Everyday Uniform

Polo	\$41.50
Senior Polo	\$41.50
Short	\$27.95
Skort	\$34.30
Jacket	\$65.50
Track Pant	\$39.95

Accessories

Bucket Hat	\$20.70
Library Bag	\$14.50
Homework Bag	\$14.50
School Bag	\$37.40

Prices effective 25 May 2023. Prices are subject to change. Finance options available - see in store for details. Please see our full returns and refunds policy online at our website www.theschoollocker.com.au/returns-policy.



SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Yarrabilba State School
1-35 Darnell Street, Yarrabilba, QLD 4207
Open Wednesdays & Fridays 8:00am to 10:30am
Scan the QR code to find your uniform online
or visit theschoollocker.com.au



Student Dress Code Policy

Yarrabilba State Primary School community is committed to maintaining a culture of high standards in all that we do. As such our school has a Student Dress Code Policy that ensures our students represent themselves and our school to the highest standards each and every day. Consistent dress standards establish a positive and united school community identity. The Student Dress Code Policy is supported by our school community and aligned with section 364 & 365 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006.

It is an expectation that upon student enrolment at Yarrabilba State Primary School that parents consent to uphold our Student Dress Code by way of signing the ***Enrolment Agreement Form***.

The Student Dress Code Policy provides for the following:

- Standards of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn by the students, including headwear and footwear;
- Standards of what is acceptable in relation to other aspects of the personal presentation of the students.

Our student dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing. This includes a school uniform that all students will wear when:

- attending or representing their school;
- travelling to and from school; and
- engaging in school activities out of school hours.

Yarrabilba State Primary School Student Dress Code aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- incorporating recommendations of the Queensland Cancer Council Sun Safe clothing guidelines
- identification of students at school and on excursions
- fostering a sense of belonging
- developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social difference
- promotes an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school.

At Yarrabilba State Primary School the expectation is that each day students will wear the agreed Yarrabilba State Primary School uniforms as outlined overleaf.

Special Circumstances

Our Student Dress Code incorporates strategies to accommodate special needs and circumstances of students. These arrangements are negotiated between parents and the Principal. Examples of special circumstances may include:

- student medical conditions (allergies etc.);
- student disability, physical attributes or requirements;
- religious, ethnic or cultural background;
- economic hardship;
- constraints of time and economic hardship at the time of enrolment.

Parents seeking an exemption to aspects of the Student Dress Code must consult with the Principal for her consideration.

Our School Uniform

All items should be clearly marked with the owner's name to assist with return if lost.

Uniform Items and Standard	
Shirt	Yarrabilba State School unisex polo shirt with school logo. * Any other shirts worn underneath the school uniform should not be visible.
Sports Shirt	Plain coloured T-shirts in house colours can be worn on designated sports days.
Bottom	Navy shorts or navy skorts. Length of shorts/skort should be approximately mid-way between knee and thigh.
Footwear	Enclosed black school shoes or black joggers/sports shoes with laces or Velcro suitable for daily physical activity. *Due to workplace, health and safety canvas shoes are not acceptable footwear.
Socks	White socks.
Hat	Years 1 – 6: full brim hat to meet sun safe guidelines. Prep: full brim school hat teal and navy
Winter Uniform	Yarrabilba State School zip up jacket – microfiber – Yarrabilba State School tracksuit pants – microfiber to match school jacket If you are unable to purchase a school jacket, jumper or tracksuit pants we ask that your child wear a plain navy jumper without any patterns or logos.
School Bag	School bag – Yarrabilba State School logo print Students are encouraged to use the Yarrabilba State School back pack. Alternatively, students may use a plain navy school bag with no markings.
Jewellery	
Watch	One wrist watch only.
Rings	One signet ring only.
Earrings	One set of plain sleepers or plain studs in the earlobe.
Facial and Body Piercing	Observable body piercing is totally banned. Students are not allowed to wear nose studs, tongue studs, eyebrow studs or earrings. Students are not allowed to cover pierced objects with band aids nor are plugs or retainers acceptable. Religious piercings require approval by the Principal.
Necklaces, bracelets and anklets	Medical alert necklaces or bracelets are permitted No other necklaces, bracelets or anklets unless parent applies to the Principal in writing for an exemption based on religious, ethnic, cultural, disability or health reasons. For safety reasons, all necklaces worn with Principal's permission must be worn out of sight.
Appearance	
Hair	Hairstyles are to be conservative. Excessiveness in style (e.g. spikes, Mohawks, rats tails, tracks etc), gel or cut is not acceptable. Hair should be of a natural colour and extreme hair colour (e.g. green, purple etc.) is not acceptable. Hair that is shoulder length or longer should be tied back with appropriate accessories preferably in school colours (navy, orange and teal) regardless of gender. Long hair must be tied or pinned away from eyes.
Cosmetics	Sunscreen can be worn. No false nails are allowed but <u>clear</u> nail polish is acceptable. No make-up.
Tattoos	No visible markings/drawings on skin including stick-on tattoos.

Special Activities	
Special events including: Camps Excursions Free Dress Days	Students are permitted to wear acceptable and reasonable clothing instead of their school uniform when participating in activities such as camps, some excursions and free dress days. Clothing and accessories should be modest and tidy and of a standard that is deemed safe, appropriate and not likely to cause offence. No inappropriate wording is to be displayed and covered footwear is required. As per sun safe requirements, shirts are to cover the shoulders and midriff. In line with Education Queensland's Sun Safety Strategy children are required to wear swim shirts for all water activities. If parents are unable to provide a swim shirt, we will allow students to wear a t-shirt instead. All students are to wear safe footwear (must be covered in; no thongs, high heels etc).

PLEASE NOTE:

The school dress code policy DOES NOT include any other item of clothing or accessory, other than that included in the list of uniform items.

- No denim or surf shorts are allowed.
- No thongs, sandals or slip on shoes can be worn.
- No brightly coloured shoe laces.
- No visible mid-riffs, waist bands or sweat bands.
- No footless stockings, patterned stockings or leggings are acceptable.
- No make-up.
- No coloured nail polish.

Monitoring the School Uniform:

Regular routine and random uniform checks will occur. The Principal should be contacted immediately and confidentially if a family is in difficult financial circumstances.

Any students with inappropriate items (e.g. jewellery) will have them removed for the day for the first offence

The School Staff may apply the following sanctions on any student who does not comply with our schools Dress Code:

- No hat, no play (under cover play only).
- Not sun safe, no play/ no water activity.

Non-compliance with Student Dress Code Policy:

Students unable to wear their uniform for good reason are required to bring a note from their parent/caregiver indicating when the student will be able to wear their uniform.

A number of strategies may be employed by the school staff in the event students are non-compliant with the school's mandatory Student Dress Code. These strategies will be compliant with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006.

Strategies include:

- Seeking parental support for compliance e.g. letter or telephone call.
- Requesting correct uniform be brought to school for the student.
- Assisting students with genuine economic hardship to acquire uniform e.g. uniform loan.
- Imposing a penalty, e.g. reflection time.

Continued breaches will incur a stronger penalty.

- Preventing the student from taking part in a school event outside the school.
- Preventing the student taking part in a school activity that is not part of the essential education program of the school.

Whatever the strategy implemented it is the intention of the school Administration to ensure every student complies with the Student Dress Code Policy every day.

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MONDAY - FRIDAY**

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School life

Simplified

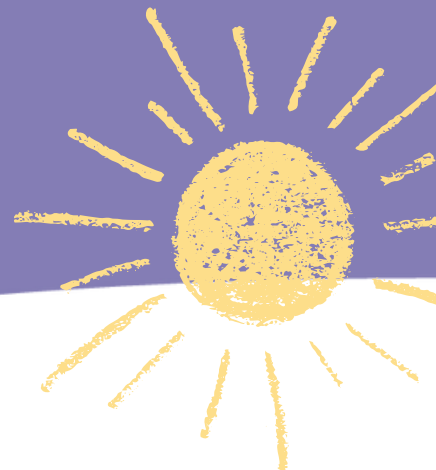


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WELCOME TO SCHOOL PLUS!

Caring Child Focused Services!

School Plus Foundation is a quality OSHC provider offering Before School, After School and Holiday Programs. We are a not for profit organisation designed to give children voice and offer them a safe place of wonder in which to **GROW**.



A new kind of Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) program for your school community

Together we create a safe and interactive program by listening to your children's needs then connecting those needs to the values of your school.

Our Promise

Voice

The voice of every child, the foundation of each tailored program running in every session.

Value

Time is precious. When children are in the care of School Plus, we focus on each minute being spent on engaging, developmental experiences with intention.

Excellence

Each session is measured on outcomes. A level of excellence enabled by great leadership and connectedness to our community

Before & After School Care

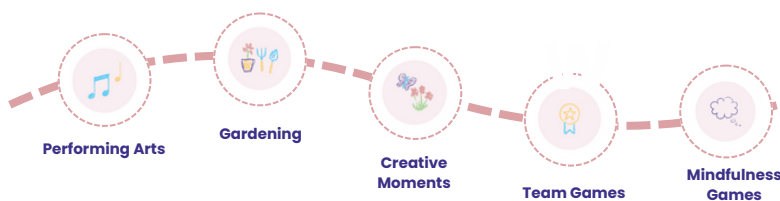
It is our aim to grow and develop grounded and respectful children, brimming with confidence, who are true to themselves, and have a keen commitment to each other and shared community values.

Holiday Programs

School Plus Holiday Programs aim to bolster your child's growth with engaging and diverse experiences that are sure to spark wonder and fun during the school holidays.

Our Activities and Programs

School Plus adds real value in each activity we offer children. We present a wide array of activities to spark imagination and foster creativity in every individual program.



Our Values

G

Grounded

A true awareness of self with a balance of calmness, humility and honesty.

R

Relationships

A caring community minded team that requires great leadership and exceptional connectedness to children, families, schools and each other.

O

Ownership

By our very nature of pride and satisfaction, we promote autonomy, empowerment and personal ownership with each role we play at School Plus.

W

Wonder

A journey of discovery through magic and imagination that allows for creativity and laughter each and every day.



School Plus Yarrabilba

Yarrabilba State School – 1-35 Darnell St, Yarrabilba QLD 4207

yarrabilba@schoolplus.com.au
0429 533 598

Session	Hours	Full Fees		Fees After 90% CCS*	
		Permanent	Casual	Permanent	Casual
Before School Care	6.00am – 9.00am	\$22.40	\$25.90	\$2.24	\$2.59
After School Care	2.30pm – 6.00pm	\$30.24	\$33.74	\$3.02	\$3.37
Student Free Day	6.00am – 6.00pm	\$75.71	\$79.21	\$7.57	\$7.92
Holiday Program	6.00am – 6.00pm	\$74.23	\$77.73	\$7.42	\$7.77

Fees and hours of operation as on 26th May 2025 and may be subject to change

Enrolments

Enrolling with School Plus is completely free of charge. We highly recommend enrolling even if you don't believe you require the service.

Once your child is enrolled our team will be able to care for your child even in an emergency or if you are unable to collect your child from school in time.

Enrolments can be made at www.schoolplus.com.au or via the QR code



Bookings & Cancellations

School Plus uses the Xap Child Care Management System.

Once enrolment is complete, bookings and cancellations can be managed online through the Xap website, via the Xap Smile app, or by contacting our Customer Care team.

Before and After School Care

Bookings can be made online or via the app anytime up to 1 day before (11:59pm the day prior) for Before School Care and After School Care. To make a booking after this time, please contact your service directly or our Customer Care team on 07 3395 8099.

To avoid any out of pocket costs, cancellations must be made at least 2 days prior to the session (11:59pm 2 days prior – for example, if you have a booking for anytime Monday, cancellations can be made anytime up to 11:59 pm on Saturday). Any cancellations made within this 2 day period will incur the total fee for the program, less any Child Care Subsidy (CCS).

Permanent bookings are defined as any recurring bookings or booking patterns (whether weekly, fortnightly, or ongoing). Any other bookings, or last-minute bookings, are considered casual.

Holiday Program

Bookings can be made online or via the app anytime up to 1 day before (11:59pm the day prior) for Holiday program and Pupil Free Days. To make a booking after this time, please contact your service directly or our Customer Care team on 07 3395 8099.

To avoid any out of pocket costs, cancellations must be made at least 2 days prior to the session (11:59pm 2 days prior – for example, if you have a booking for anytime Monday, cancellations can be made anytime up to 11:59 pm on Saturday). Any cancellations made within this 2 day period will incur the total fee for the days program, less any Child Care Subsidy (CCS).

Early Bird bookings will be charged at the advertised permanent fee rate up to 10 days prior to the Holiday Program period. Any other bookings will be charged at the advertised casual fee rate.

Food & Nutrition

School Plus will serve a variety of nutritious foods and snacks during sessions in line with PANOSH guidelines.

Breakfast will be served during Before School Care and Holiday Program. Afternoon Tea will be served during After School Care and Holiday Program. Families will be required to pack lunch for Holiday Program.

Please note that all of our services are **nut free**.

*Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

Child Care Subsidy, also referred to as CCS, offers different levels of financial support to assist families with the costs associated with childcare, including Before School Care, After School Care and Holiday Program.

Families may be eligible to have up to 90% of their fees covered by CCS. CCS is paid directly to School Plus, meaning that families are only required to pay the remainder, or 'Gap Fee'.

All of our School Plus services are CCS approved, so we encourage all families to find out whether they are eligible.

There is occasionally a delay in CCS being connected to new services of up to 6 weeks. This is out of School Plus' control and should a delay be expected, School Plus will notify families and provide information to assist families to manage costs and avoid any overpayments.

How it is calculated

How much you receive depends on your individual circumstances and is calculated using the following information:

- Your combined family income
- Your level of activity
- Your child care providers hourly rate

You can use the Centrelink Payment and Service Finder to calculate your estimated entitlement.

To obtain the Child Care Subsidy

- Have or register for a myGov Account. If you don't have a myGov account go to <https://my.gov.au/> and select Create a myGov account.
- Once you are in your myGov Account, link your account to Centrelink and complete the registration process.
- Complete your Child Care Subsidy Assessment
- Confirm your enrolment with current child care provider

Once you have booked your child into care you must then log back into your MyGov account to confirm your bookings with the provider. All steps must be followed to ensure that you receive your CCS entitlements and not charged the full fees.

Additional Childcare Subsidy (ACCS)

In some circumstances, families may be eligible for the Additional Childcare Subsidy (ACCS). ACCS covers up to 100% of the costs of Childcare.

For more information on the Child Care Subsidy, please contact the Centrelink Family line on **13 61 50**

Billing & Payments

Fees will be automatically debited every week in arrears from the bank account or credit card provided at enrolment. Please note that declined payments may result in dishonour fees or enrolment suspensions. Statements can be viewed online or via the app.

Late Pick-up Fee

Families may incur a fee of \$23.50 per child for the initial 10 minutes, followed by an additional \$2.35 per child for each subsequent minute beyond the scheduled session closure time.

Incursions and Excursions

Holiday Program incursions and excursions may incur additional fees. These will vary based on the activity and may be subject to change.



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Our friendly Customer Care Team are here to help!

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Regular school attendance

Information for parents and carers

Did you know? Research shows that in Queensland, higher student attendance at school is associated, on average, with higher student achievement.

Why is regular attendance at school important?

Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day.

- they learn better
- they make friends
- they are happier
- they have a brighter future.

Why must I send my child to school?

Under Queensland law, you must make sure your child of school age is enrolled and attends school all day, every school day unless they have an acceptable reason. Illness, doing work experience or competing in a school sporting event are acceptable reasons for being absent from school.

Principals decide if the reason given for your child's absence is acceptable.

Avoid keeping your child away from school for:

- birthdays, shopping, visiting family and friends, if they sleep in, looking after other children, minor check ups or care such as hair cuts.

Routine medical or other health appointments should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

What should I do if our family is going on a holiday in school time?

You are encouraged not to schedule holidays during school time. If your family holiday is during school time, let the school know in advance and talk about what arrangements

can be made for your child. Depending on the circumstances the school may be able to provide tasks for your child to complete while they are absent or assist you to organise an exemption from schooling.

Do I need to let the school know if my child has been away from school?

Yes, you must let the school know the reason why your child has been absent from school within two school days of their return. If possible, advise the school beforehand.

Are you having problems getting your child to school for some of these reasons?

- won't get out of bed in the morning
- won't go to bed at night
- can't find their uniform, books, school bag ...
- slow to eat breakfast
- haven't done their homework
- watching TV
- have a test or presentation to do, have an assignment to hand in
- it's their birthday.

If so, a set routine can help

- have a set time to go to bed
- have a set time to get out of bed
- have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
- set a time for daily homework activities
- speak about school positively
- be firm, send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term!

What should I do if my child won't go to school?

You should contact the school as soon as possible for advice and support.

Every day counts in Prep

Every day counts in Prep because going to Prep every day ...

- will make sure your child gets the most out of their important first year of school
- will make your child's transition into Year 1 easier
- improves your child's reading, writing and maths
- builds a positive approach to learning
- strengthens your child's independence and confidence.



Prep in Queensland

- Prep is the first year of school in Queensland. It is also the first year of the Australian Curriculum.
- Prep is full-time. It is from Monday to Friday – the same time as the other years at school.
- Schools assess and report on Prep student's achievements.

What will your child's school do?

- Deliver the first year of the Australian Curriculum through Prep.
- Monitor your child's attendance.
- Talk to you about any unexplained absences.
- Work with you to overcome problems affecting your child's attendance.
- Give your child support for any additional learning needs they may have.
- Offer developmentally, socially and culturally appropriate learning opportunities.

Support for families

If you think your child may not be ready to start Prep, or is having difficulties in their Prep Year, you can speak to your school's principal.

If needed, you can delay when your child starts Prep by 12 months.

If your child is having problems attending Prep each school day, speak to your school for advice and support.



Parent and Community Code of Conduct

Supporting learning, wellbeing and safety in every Queensland state school

We welcome parents¹ and other members of our diverse community into schools across Queensland.

Working together with their school community², school staff support the learning and wellbeing of every student, and are entitled to a safe work environment.

Parents and other visitors to schools support safety by ensuring their communications and conduct at the school and school activities is respectful.

Elements of engagement	It is expected that parents and visitors to our school communities will:	Parents and visitors to our school communities demonstrate this by:
Communication 	• be polite to others • act as positive role models • recognise and respect personal differences • use the school's communication process to address concerns	• using polite spoken and written language • speaking and behaving respectfully at all times • being compassionate when interacting with others • informing staff if the behaviour of others is negatively impacting them or their family • respecting staff time by accepting they will respond to appropriate communication when they are able • requesting a meeting to discuss any concerns about their child's education — allowing staff time to prepare and appreciating their time may be limited
Collaboration 	• (parents) ensure their child attends school ready to learn • support the Student Code of Conduct	• taking responsibility for their child arriving and departing school safely on time every day • reading and encouraging their child to understand and follow the Student Code of Conduct
School Culture 	• recognise every student is important to us • contribute to a positive school culture • work together with staff to resolve issues or concerns • respect people's privacy.	• valuing each child's education • acknowledging staff are responsible for supporting the whole school community • speaking positively about the school and its staff • not making negative comments or gossiping about other school community members, including students — in person, in writing or on social media • understanding, at times, compromises may be necessary • considering the privacy of all school community members at all times, and understanding that the school cannot share confidential information.

¹The term 'parent' refers to parents, carers, guardians and people who exercise parental responsibility for a child.

²The term 'school community' refers to staff, students, parents, local business and community organisations and visitors to the school.



Time Out

Keeping your child and other kids healthy!



- Information for a number of infectious conditions that may require¹ exclusion of children from school, education and care services.
- Additional public health *recommendations* that apply to children and adults.
- To assist medical practitioners, schools, preschools and childcare facilities to meet the public health *requirements*¹ and *recommendations*.

*Refers to contagious conditions as per the Public Health Regulation 2018.

1. Observing the exclusion period meets the intent of the Public Health Act 2005 for a person to be non-infectious. See schedule 4 of the Public Health Regulation 2018 for a complete list of contagious conditions and their exclusion criteria.
2. Doctors should notify the local Public Health Unit as soon as possible if children or staff are diagnosed with these conditions. Refer to page 2 for Public Health Unit contact details.

Condition	Person with the infection	Those in contact with the infected person (The definition of 'contact' will vary between diseases)
*Chickenpox (varicella)	EXCLUDE until all blisters have dried, and at least 5 days after the onset of symptoms. ¹	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY EXCLUDE non-immune pregnant women and any child with immune deficiency or receiving chemotherapy. Advise to seek urgent medical assessment. <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i> Also see Shingles information below.
Cold sores (herpes simplex)	NOT EXCLUDED if the person can maintain hygiene practices to minimise the risk of transmission. Young children unable to comply with good hygiene practices should be excluded while sores are weeping. Sores should be covered with a dressing where possible.	NOT EXCLUDED
Conjunctivitis	EXCLUDE until discharge from eyes has ceased unless a doctor has diagnosed non-infectious conjunctivitis.	NOT EXCLUDED
*COVID-19	EXCLUDE until symptoms have resolved, normally 5–7 days.	NOT EXCLUDED
Cytomegalovirus (CMV)	NOT EXCLUDED pregnant women should consult with their doctor.	NOT EXCLUDED pregnant women should consult with their doctor.
Diarrhoea and/or Vomiting including: • amoebiasis • campylobacter • cryptosporidium • giardia • rotavirus • salmonella • *gastroenteritis but excluding: • *norovirus • shigellosis • toxin-producing forms of E.coli (STEC)	Exclusion periods may vary depending on the cause. EXCLUDE a single case until the person, has no symptoms ¹ (includes vomiting if applicable), is feeling well and they have not had any loose bowel motions for at least 24 hours or if the person has confirmed norovirus exclude for at least 48 hours. ¹ EXCLUDE all persons who prepare or serve food until they have not had any diarrhoea or vomiting for 48 hours. NOTE: If there are 2 or more cases with diarrhoea and/or vomiting in the same location, which may indicate a potential outbreak OR a single case in a food handler, notify your Public Health Unit. Diarrhoea: 3 or more loose stools or bowel movements in a 24 hour period that are different from normal and/or escapes a child's nappy. <i>See information below if norovirus is confirmed or considered likely as the cause of diarrhoea and vomiting.</i>	NOT EXCLUDED
See advice for these specific conditions below		
*Enterovirus 71 (EV71 neurological disease)	EXCLUDE until written medical clearance is received confirming the virus is no longer present in the person's bowel motions. ¹	NOT EXCLUDED
Fungal infections of the skin and nails (ringworm/tinea)	EXCLUDE until the day after antifungal treatment has commenced. (No exclusion for thrush).	NOT EXCLUDED
Glandular fever (mononucleosis, Epstein-Barr virus)	NOT EXCLUDED	NOT EXCLUDED
*German measles (rubella)²	EXCLUDE for 4 days after the onset of rash ¹ or until fully recovered, whichever is longer. Pregnant women should consult with their doctor.	NOT EXCLUDED pregnant women should consult with their doctor.
*Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)	EXCLUDE until the doctor confirms the person is not infectious and has completed 4 days of appropriate antibiotic treatment. ¹ <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>
Hand, foot and mouth disease	EXCLUDE until all blisters have dried.	NOT EXCLUDED
Head lice	Exclusion is not necessary if effective treatment is commenced before next attendance day (i.e. the child does not need to be sent home immediately if head lice are detected).	NOT EXCLUDED
*Hepatitis A²	EXCLUDE until at least 7 days after the onset of jaundice; ¹ OR for 2 weeks after onset of first symptoms, including dark urine if there is no jaundice. If a person is asymptomatic <i>contact your Public Health Unit for Specialist advice.</i>	NOT EXCLUDED <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice about vaccination or treatment for children and staff in the same room or group, children transferring to another centre and new enrolments.</i>

Condition	Person with the infection	Those in contact with the infected person ²
Hepatitis B and C	NOT EXCLUDED cover open wounds with waterproof dressing.	NOT EXCLUDED
Hepatitis E	EXCLUDE until at least 2 weeks after the onset of jaundice.	NOT EXCLUDED
Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV/AIDS)	NOT EXCLUDED cover open wounds with waterproof dressing.	NOT EXCLUDED
Influenza and influenza-like illness	EXCLUDE until symptoms have resolved, normally 5–7 days.	NOT EXCLUDED
*Measles ²	EXCLUDE until the doctor confirms the person is not infectious but not earlier than 4 days after the onset of the rash. ¹ <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY NOT EXCLUDED vaccinated or immune contacts. EXCLUDE immuno-compromised contacts (including those receiving chemotherapy) until 14 days after the appearance of the rash in the last case. EXCLUDE non-or incompletely vaccinated contacts, without evidence of immunity. <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>
Meningitis (bacterial)	EXCLUDE until well and has received appropriate antibiotics.	NOT EXCLUDED
Meningitis (viral)	EXCLUDE until well.	NOT EXCLUDED
*Meningococcal infection ²	EXCLUDE until the treating doctor confirms the child is not infectious and at least 24 hours of appropriate antibiotics have been completed. ¹ <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>	NOT EXCLUDED <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice about antibiotics and/or vaccination for close contacts.</i>
Molluscum contagiosum	NOT EXCLUDED	NOT EXCLUDED
Mumps	EXCLUDE for 5 days after onset of swelling. Pregnant women should consult with their doctor.	NOT EXCLUDED pregnant women should consult with their doctor.
*Norovirus	EXCLUDE until no symptoms and no loose bowel motions for 48 hours. ¹	NOT EXCLUDED
Roseola, sixth disease	NOT EXCLUDED	NOT EXCLUDED
Scabies	EXCLUDE until the day after treatment has commenced.	NOT EXCLUDED
School sores (impetigo)	EXCLUDE until 24 hours of appropriate antibiotics have been completed. Cover sores on exposed areas with a waterproof dressing until sores are dry, and encourage handwashing.	NOT EXCLUDED
Shiga toxin-producing E.coli (STEC)	EXCLUDE until diarrhoea has stopped and 2 samples have tested negative. <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>
Slapped cheek syndrome, fifth disease (parvovirus B19, erythema infectiosum)	NOT EXCLUDED pregnant women should consult with their doctor. Note: Children are contagious until 24 hours after the fever resolves. Rashes generally occur after the infectious period has passed.	NOT EXCLUDED pregnant women should consult with their doctor.
Shigellosis	EXCLUDE until there has been no diarrhoea or vomiting for 48 hours. <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>
Shingles (herpes zoster)	EXCLUDE all children until blisters have dried and crusted. EXCLUDE adults if blisters are unable to be covered. NOT EXCLUDED in adults if blisters can be covered with a waterproof dressing until they have dried.	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice, including advice for pregnant women and any person who is immuno-compromised (including receiving chemotherapy).</i>
Streptococcal sore throat (including scarlet fever)	EXCLUDE until 24 hours of appropriate antibiotics have been completed.	NOT EXCLUDED
*Tuberculosis (TB) ²	EXCLUDE until written medical clearance is received from the relevant Tuberculosis Control Unit.	NOT EXCLUDED
*Typhoid ² and paratyphoid fever ²	EXCLUDE until appropriate antibiotics have been completed. ¹ Stool sample clearance will be required, <i>contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>
*Whooping cough (pertussis) ²	EXCLUDE until 5 days after starting appropriate antibiotics or for 21 days from onset of cough AND confirmed that they are not infectious. ¹ <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice.</i>	EXCLUSION MAY APPLY for contacts of an infected person. <i>Contact your Public Health Unit for specialist advice regarding exclusion of non-or incompletely vaccinated contacts.</i>
Worms	EXCLUDE until diarrhoea has stopped for 24 hours and treatment has occurred.	NOT EXCLUDED

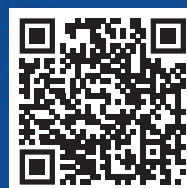
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If you have any medical concerns, contact your healthcare provider or 13 HEALTH (13432584)

For further advice on the information within this poster, contact your nearest Public Health Unit via 13Health or at www.health.qld.gov.au/system-governance/contact-us/contact/public-health-units

Further information on recommendations:

- Communicable Diseases Network Australia (CDNA) guidelines <https://www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/cdnasongs.htm>
- National Health and Medical Research Council publication: infectious diseases in early childhood and education and care services, 5th edition www.nhmrc.gov.au/guidelines-publications/ch55
- Queensland Department of Health Communicable Disease Control Guidance <http://disease-control.health.qld.gov.au>



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**Queensland
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KiNDY LinQ

Tuesdays from 9am
During school terms
at Family
+ Community
Place

Fun, free, inclusive play and learn sessions for birth - 3.5 year olds and their families

KindyLinQ is a free play-based program delivered in a playgroup format that families and children may attend in the early years prior to kindergarten.

The program is led by KindyLinQ staff and provides a safe, welcoming space for families to stay with children and participate in fun early learning experiences together.

The program runs during school terms. Participation is voluntary and families always attend with their child/children. Days and times vary across locations.

KindyLinQ sessions are based on evidence-based programs and practices, including the Early Years Learning Framework.

Benefits for children and families

Families play the most significant role in establishing the environment children need to develop and learn. KindyLinQ provides guidance for families to support their child's learning at home.

The program supports children's learning, development and engagement in the early years before they start Kindergarten.

The informal, family-focused nature of KindyLinQ helps put families at ease interacting with educators in an educational setting.

The program forges strong and supportive links between home, school, early childhood services and the community for families.

Learning through play

KindyLinQ is based on a facilitated playgroup model.

At KindyLinQ, children learn through hands on experiences with the support and guidance of a caring adult. Children will learn skills that will support them now and in later learning including socialising, managing their emotions and developing language skills to ensure they can effectively communicate their ideas and needs.

KindyLinQ also assists in connecting families with approved kindergarten providers.

View the full list of locations offering KindyLinQ on the [Early Childhood Education and Care website](#) and secure your spot.