

PARENT INFORMATION BOOKLET



Pre-Kindergarten 2019

MISSION STATEMENT

To motivate, nurture and celebrate spiritual, academic and personal growth in a Christ-inspired environment that serves the community.

VISION

Nurture for Today, Learning for Tomorrow, Character for Eternity.

PHILOSOPHY

Our philosophy of education comes from the Biblical understanding that people were originally created in the image of God to exist in a harmonious relationship with Him.

Through disobedience this relationship was destroyed and the image of God was almost erased. Through Jesus life and death on earth, God has provided a way for people to be able to once again experience the harmonious relationship with God that he originally intended.

We view education as a learning process designed to give a necessary understanding of God and to restore aspects of God's image of people. In this way education is an important means of regaining the harmony that was lost through the human fall.

We believe that the Bible is our guide to understanding God and His plans and purposes for our lives. The values and principles found in the Bible are to guide our lives. As a Christian school we aim to teach the students in our care to make informed life choices based on these principles and values. Through these choices students will develop characters based on a love for God, a caring respect for others and a healthy self-worth.

We hope that each child who comes into our care learns to enjoy a fulfilling earthly life while preparing for life eternal.

To this end, our staff work with each child to instil values that will enhance his/her spiritual, mental, physical and social development.

CORE VALUES

LOVE

EXCELLENCE

COMPASSION

HUMILITY

RESPECT

INTEGRITY

JUSTICE

DISCERNMENT

RESPONSIBILITY

HOPE

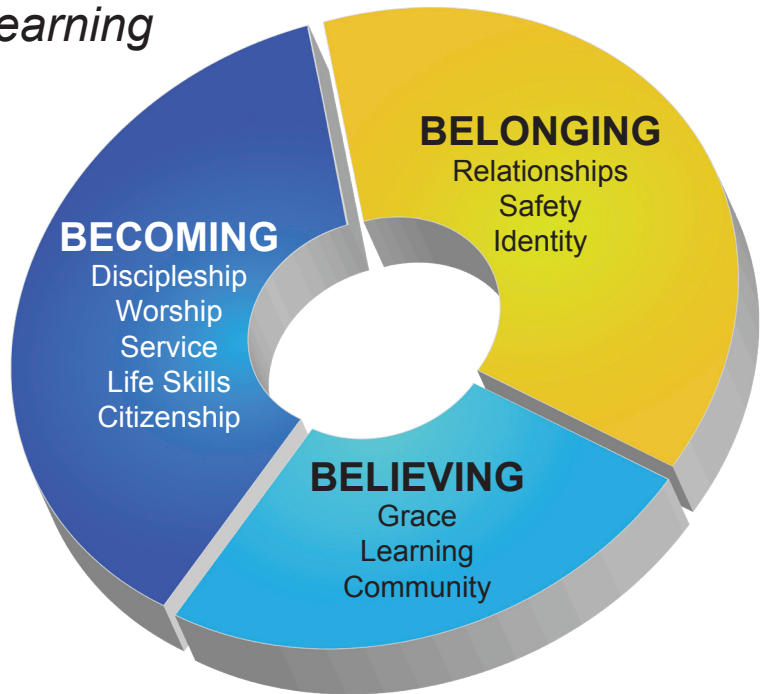
SERVICE

...BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE. 1 CORINTHIANS 13

STATEMENT OF SPECIAL CHARACTER

The Adventist School;
A Community of Faith and Learning

***Bible-based,
Christ-centered,
Service-oriented,
Kingdom-directed***



BELONGING

Is an essential element in the life of every individual. Adventist schools foster a sense of belonging to:

- * The family of God by building positive relationships.
- * A safe and attractive learning environment, where individuals are empowered to reach their potential .
- * A community that provides identity and nurture.

BELIEVING

Is an individual and intellectual choice that impacts on actions. Adventist schools encourage belief in:

- * Jesus Christ as Redeemer and Lord of our lives.
- * The importance of learning and making positive lifestyle choices.
- * The value of interdependence and collaboration in building harmonious communities.

BECOMING

Recognises that individuals are continually in a time of growth and development. Adventist schools challenge each person to become:

- * Active in discipleship, worship and service for God.
- * Learners with skills and values that equip for life.
- * Informed, responsible and compassionate citizens.

ENROLMENT

To qualify for Pre-Kindergarten your child must turn four by June 30th of the attendance year. Preference will be given to children who turn four by the 31st of March.

Enrolment Process

1. Contact school to obtain an application for enrolment and information booklet.
2. Lodge application for enrolment, include enrolment deposit, immunisation statement, Birth Certificate and any other information or documentation that could be relevant to your child's enrolment should be presented.
3. An offer of a place will be made if one is available.
4. Sign the acceptance form and return to school to secure your child's place.

Note: An enrolment deposit is required when enrolment forms are lodged with the school. This fee is charged according to the number of days you wish your child to attend Pre-Kindergarten. Although every effort will be made to accommodate your day preferences, please be aware this is not always possible.

Enrolment Deposit	Day 1	\$50
	Day 2	\$100
	Day 3	\$150

STARTING AND FINISHING TIMES

The school day starts at 8:45am and ends at 3:00pm.

Teachers are on duty from 8:20am until 3:15pm each day. All students should have left the school site by 3:15pm. Recess is from 11:00am and lunch is from 1:00pm-1:35pm.

Your Pre-Kindergarten child may travel to school on a school bus. A bus form must be completed and returned to the school prior to travel commencing. This form will outline which bus the child will be travelling on and the days of bus travel required.

PROGRAM

The Pre-Kindergarten daily program will encourage your child to develop:

- * Pre-writing, pre-reading and pre-maths skills
- *Creativity with glue, paint and craft materials
- *Cutting, pencil holding, colouring and name writing skills
- *Language skills through construction and de-construction
- *Gross and fine motor skills
- *Verbal communication skills through discussions during formal and social interactions with peers and teachers
- *The ability to respect, co-operate and interact with other children and adults
- *A knowledge of Bible stories, worship songs and prayer

ATTENDANCE

In 2019, the Pre-Kindergarten intends to operate on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. You may choose to send your child for one, two or three days. The Pre-Kindergarten follows the school terms and observes all public holidays.

A written note or telephone call is required if your child is sick or absent from Pre-Kindergarten for any reason.

Two weeks notice is to be given if your child is to be removed from Pre-Kindergarten, fees will be charged accordingly for this time.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN USEFUL CRAFT ITEMS

Newspapers	Egg cartons	Magazines
Cards	Material scraps	Lids
Pinecones	Wrapping paper	Felt
Tinsel	Foil tins	Cereal boxes
Feathers	Paper plates	Plastic containers
Bottle tops	Pipe cleaners	Ribbon

WHAT TO WEAR

Children may wear comfortable and practical play clothes that allow them to be able to go to the toilet independently. Sneakers protect their feet and allow the children to run, play and climb safely and are the best option for footwear. Please note that no thongs or slip on shoes are to be worn. Your child must wear a hat. The Pre-Kindergarten follows a **'no hat, no play policy'**.

Pre-Kindy hats are available for purchase from the school and cost \$12.

Please ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name.

COST

Pre-Kindergarten will cost \$32 per day and will be invoiced per term, upon completion of an account application form.

Payment Options

*Term payments must be received in full by week 4 of each term.

*Weekly or fortnightly payments, must commence in week one of each term and payments must be completed by the last week of the term.

We are a registered childcare provider and if you are registered with Centrelink you should be able to claim the minimum childcare benefit rebate. If you would like to apply for this rebate contact the Registrar and request a CCB Receipt. The school office is open from Monday to Friday.

Please make sure your child's fees are paid in full by the end of each term to ensure your child's continuing enrolment.

Equipment Levy

There will be an equipment levy of \$30 invoiced each term of attendance. For those children attending more than one day, the equipment levy will be invoiced as per below.

This fee helps to cover the cost of pencils, glue, craft materials, textbooks and photocopying.

1 days attendance	\$30 per term
2 days attendance	\$52 per term
3 days attendance	\$74 per term

Insurance Fee

All students attending the Pre-Kindergarten Centre are covered under an Accident Insurance Scheme operated by AON Risk Services Australia Limited. This is an **annual fee of \$11.90 per student.**

LIBRARY

Your child will be encouraged to borrow from the school library each time they attend.

Please ensure your child has a library bag, with a drawstring, that is clearly named. Children will only be able to borrow a book if they have their library bag and the book from the previous attendance day has been returned. Please encourage your child to read the books carefully, with clean hands.

NEWSLETTER

A school newsletter is sent home each week. The newsletter contains information that keeps parents up to date with the current events of the school and Pre-Kindergarten.

You may also request to have the newsletter emailed to you each week. It is also available for viewing on the school app or website.

MONEY, VALUABLES & TOYS

It is recommended that children do not bring large amounts of money or valuables to school. We can take no responsibility for damage or loss. No electronic games are allowed and they will be confiscated if found at school. Children are discouraged from bringing toys of any kind from home as loss can cause great distress.

LOST PROPERTY

Although all due care will be taken to collect items of clothing or belongings left at school by children, no responsibility can be taken. Please ensure all items are clearly named. A lost property box is located in the office.

TELEPHONE USAGE

The office is open 5 days a week from 8:20am - 3:30pm.

The Registrar will give messages to teachers during these times. Parents should ensure, where possible, that after school travel and other arrangements are communicated to their children (and to the teacher or bus driver) before children leave for school.

LUNCHES

Your child will need to bring their own recess and lunch each day. Your child's lunch should be easy to eat, contain healthy food and a cool drink, preferably water. Chips and lollies, chocolates, soft drinks and other 'junk' food are not to be part of your child's lunch. The Pre-Kindergarten has their own fridge in which students can keep their lunch cool.

The school canteen operates on a Monday and Thursday and your child may purchase their lunch on this day. Please ask the class teacher for an order form. Children may also buy an ice-cream and/or nibblies at lunch time.

Narromine Christian School is a **NUT FREE** school.
Please ensure your child's lunch box reflects this.

REMEMBER

Please let the teacher know:

- * When someone different is to pick up your child
- * Your child is sick or will be away
- * If your address or phone number has changed
- * Custody/access arrangements have changed

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