



ENDEAVOUR SCHOOLS

2017 Kindergarten
Information Booklet

A Friendly and
Fun School

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KINDERGARTEN HOURS

Group 1:

Monday: 8.40am to 3.00pm

Tuesday: 8.40am to 11.10am

Thursday: 8.40am to 3.00pm

Group 2:

Tuesday: 12.00pm - 2.30pm

Wednesday: 8.40am to 3.00pm

Friday: 8.40am to 3.00pm

Lunch: 12.30pm - 1.00pm

Welcome to Endeavour Kindergarten

We are sure that this is going to be an exciting year for all of us at Endeavour Schools Kindergarten. We welcome you and provide this information to help you and your child. Endeavour Schools will run a 15 hour Kindergarten, that is where children attend 2½ days per week. **As an enrolled student, attendance is compulsory and attendance is expected for all sessions.** If your child is absent, a written explanation must be provided within 3 days of returning from an absence

Drop-off and Pick-up

Kindergarten children need to be delivered to the Kindergarten and supervised until the commencement of the school day at 8.40am. If students arrive before 8.25am, they are to wait with their parents in the undercover area. They will also need to be collected from the classroom by a responsible adult. Please notify school staff if someone other than yourself will be collecting your child. If you wish to collect your child outside of normal session times then please call at the school office to sign a release form, have it signed by a member of Administration and give to the teacher **before** collecting your child.

Please be prompt when collecting your child from Kindergarten. This helps to establish a positive and consistent routine for your child.

Please note that for safety reasons the playground equipment **is NOT to be used** by ANYONE before and after school.

Clothing

We encourage all children at Endeavour to wear school uniform and follow the whole schools' uniform policy. Uniforms can be purchased from the uniform shop before school on Wednesdays and Fridays . As many of our activities involve building and making a mess, comfortable and easily cleaned clothes are recommended. Children must wear shoes they can manage themselves (no laces). **ALL REMOVABLE CLOTHING AND POSSESSIONS NEED TO BE LABELLED CLEARLY WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.**

All children must wear a wide brimmed or bucket style hat during outside activities throughout the year.

Requirements

Each child will need his/her own resources for the forthcoming year. Your child requires the following items for Kindergarten:

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| 2 Whiteboard markers | 1 pkt of Textas |
| 2 Glue sticks (Uhu / Bostik brand) | 1 pkt Windup Crayons |
| 2 Antibacterial liquid hand soaps | 1 roll of paper towel |
| 1 pkt of Chux Magic Erasers | 1 box of tissues |

All students will also need an A3 Portfolio Display Folder which can be purchased from Port Kennedy News for \$7.95.

During the year your child will be able to use a variety of materials which are supplied by the school. However, we ask that you help us by providing some of the following items for use within our class.

If the **BOYS** could please bring:

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| 1 x 1kg plain flour | 1 pkt sponges/scourers |
| 1 pkt feathers | 1 pkt coloured pencils |
| 4 x triangular HB writing pencils | 1 hand soap refill |



If the **GIRLS** could please bring:

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| 1 pkt large google eyes | 1 pkt foam shapes/stickers |
| 1 pkt sequins | 1 pkt small uncoated paper plates |
| 1 pkt jewels / rhinestones | 1 pkt coloured patterned patty pans |

We have asked for specific brands with some items. Whilst we realise they cost more initially, from experience these brands will last all year not just literally 5 minutes!

All children are required to bring a school bag containing spare clothes in a plastic bag, and large enough to fit in any work they may bring home.

Cooking

Classroom cooking experiences are a regular part of the Early Childhood Program. In order to do this we ask for a \$12.00 contribution from all families at the beginning of the year.

Toys

Children are **NOT** to bring toys to school due to safety and security concerns. There are plenty of things to play with at school.

Fruit

A fruit session will take place daily. We ask that parents send along a piece of fruit for each session. Fruit can be anything “healthy”, for example, apple, orange, mandarin, pear, banana, cheese, sultanas, carrots, capsicum, cucumber, watermelon, strawberries, cabbage, cauliflower, tomatoes, mushrooms, pineapple, tinned fruits, etc. **We ask parents NOT to send any nuts or nut products (this includes peanut butter and nutella) to school due to some children suffering allergies.**



Lunch

At lunch time the children will be seated for approximately 25 minutes. Children are required to eat their own lunch as provided by their parents. We strongly encourage children to eat a healthy and well-balanced lunch each day while recognising individual children’s food preferences. Lollies and chocolate bars, however, are not an acceptable part of lunch at school. **We ask parents NOT to send any nuts or nut products (this includes peanut butter and nutella) to school due to some children suffering allergies.**

Children may order lunches from the school canteen. Orders need to be placed at the canteen before school.

Classroom Helpers

Please make the time to come along and help the children learn. It is a valuable experience for both you and your child. Please see your child's class teacher to arrange a convenient time. Helpers can be any adult family member who has time to spare. All children gain from the involvement of people interested in their education. All classroom helpers are required to sign in and out at the front office.

NB: A confidentiality form must be completed by all classroom helpers.

Recycle Materials

We use many materials at Kindergarten and we are great recyclers. Children can bring in any items that you don't need at home. Listed below are some of the items that are always needed in our centre. Please feel free to send along any other items that we have not included. They will be used!!!

Containers such as ice cream, margarine, yoghurt, cream, etc

Cotton wool balls	Wool
Plastic bottle tops	Pop sticks
Boxes – any size/shape	Silver paper
Shells	Cooking equipment
Seeds (washed and dried)	Straws
Cards	Buttons
Macaroni	Paper plates
Gum nuts	Sawdust
Wood scraps (small)	Wrapping paper
Small mosaic tiles	Magazines
Paper – computer/wallpaper	Pots and pans
Ribbons, braiding, lace	Gladwrap / Alfoil rolls

(*No toilet rolls or kitchen rolls please - for health and safety reasons)



