



# Prep Students 2021

Our Prep Transition Program is designed to help familiarise our future Preps and parents with our school, meet the Prep teachers and experience engaging and fun learning activities that will introduce them to the environment and the structure of school. These programs enable our students to familiarise themselves with their new school. However, due to the COVID-19 restrictions we have had to prepare alternative online sessions for our new Prep children and parents. We have come up with this schedule for our new Preps and their families.

### Story time and Song with Prep teachers 2021.

A **Story Time and Song** session will be conducted online via Zoom on <u>Tuesday 24th November</u> and <u>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November</u>. Families will be sent information via email about the teacher who would run their story/games and songs session and the Zoom login details.

## Prep Parent Information Session and Q&A Session via Zoom

Parent Information session will be on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 1:00 pm via zoom.

The Parent Information Session will cover topics such as:

- General information about the school
- Subject areas by the Curriculum leaders.

Time will be allocated for a Q&A session at the end.

The goal of the Parent Information Session presentation is to provide families with information about Holy Eucharist Primary School, Prep curriculum and help answer questions that our parents may have.

We hope through this session all parents will benefit from the information shared and questions asked. Details for Parent Information Session will be emailed to families of our enrolled students in Prep 2021.

### ZOOM Administration Session

Thursday 26th November. Time to be advised.

#### Week Beginning: Monday 30th November, 2020.

Prep teachers will be visiting some of the kinder children in their kindergarten settings.

These visits will provide an opportunity for kinder teachers to discuss their educational program and the strategies they use to support the children's learning. It will also provide Prep teachers with the opportunity to observe and interact with children in the kindergarten learning environment to support the development of continuity between this and the school learning environment.

Children are often excited, and a bit daunted, by the experience of starting school. It is important to recognise that their expectations and experiences can impact on the success of transition from kinder to primary school. When children are given the opportunity to build positive relationships with Prep teachers, they are likely to continue this positive engagement when they start school.

Providing time for children to interact with their Prep teacher and build a relationship before starting school can reduce their anxiety and stress about starting school.

### Prep Meet and Greet the Teacher Drive Thru

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Parents and children will meet with Prep teachers via drive thru, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December between 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm.

Children will be able to meet the Prep teachers for 2021 in the drive thru line. It is important our students have the chance to make a personal connection with the Prep teachers.

Teachers will meet and greet both you and your child, but will not be able to have a long conversation as the line may be backed up. Please remain in your car during the meet and greet. The children will also receive a Holy Eucharist show bag.

This is a time for families to pick up schedules, fill out any paperwork and get any questions answered.

Prep Meet and Greet the Teacher Drive Thru times will be allocated to each family and then emailed to our enrolled students in Prep 2021.

Entry to Meet and Greet the Teacher Drive Thru will be via Holy Eucharist Church Driveway, Oleander Drive.

<u>Virtual School Tour</u>. Come and have a look through Holy Eucharist Primary School. A video is available on the school website https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/ for parents to view, showing the highlights of our great school.