



Year 2 Room 6 Parent Information

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome and thank you for attending your child's, Parent Information Night. My name is Ms Tracy Hanratty, and I am delighted to be your child's Year 2 teacher for 2024. I have been teaching for many years at various school in Perth and I look forward to working with you to best support your child.

Our whole team look forward to providing your child with a fun, engaging and enriching learning program based on best practise. Braeside Primary provides an environment where students are encouraged to take risks in their learning, build confidence and develop resilience to face challenges.

I have prepared the following information to support you and your child at Braeside Primary School for Year 2.

Room 6 Timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:35	Jobs	Jobs	Jobs	Jobs	Jobs
8:55	Literacy	Science Miss Porteous	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
9:55	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
10:55	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS
11:15	Maths	Literacy	Art/Music Mrs Newman	Maths	Maths
12:15	Maths	Maths	Art/Music Mrs Newman	Maths	Maths
12:55	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:35	Choir even wks Assembly – Odd Wks 5, 7, 9	PE/Heath Year 2 Miss Jackson	HASS	Library Reading	Design & Technology
2:35 – 3:15	Early Close 2.35	PE/Heath Year 2 Miss Jackson	HASS	Handwriting	Choir Finish work

Arrival at School

The classroom doors will be open from 8:35am. All children must wait in the Undercover Area prior to 8:30 am.

Students need to bring into class:

- Water bottle and Crunch and Sip (Daily)
- Reading folder with home reading book and student diary (Daily)
- A wide brimmed hat (Daily)
- Library bag (Thursday)
- Comprehension Folder and book (Friday)

Crunch & Sip

Children are encouraged to bring ***a small container with chopped fruit or vegies*** or a ***whole piece of fruit and a water bottle*** to snack on during our crunch and sip break before recess. There will be no crunch and sip after recess.

Encouraging Independence

Year 2 is an exciting time as children develop greater independence and they relish opportunities to show us what they can do unassisted.

I would like you to work with us in encouraging their independence. You can encourage your child to be responsible for packing and unpacking their own school bag and teaching them to tie their own shoelaces.

Parent/Teacher Communication

Room 6 will be using the See Saw App, which allows you to communicate directly with me about your child's needs. (A printed invite will be sent to you soon).

To discuss your child's progress throughout the year, you can:

- Book a Parent Meeting via Pick Time.
<https://www.picktime.com/parentmeetingtracyhanratty>
- Send a message via See Saw.
- Write a note in the student diary.
- Call the school office and leave a message for me to call you to make an appointment at a suitable time.
- Email me at tracy.hanratty@education.wa.edu.au

Home Reading

The aim of the home reading is for it to be an enjoyable experience. It enables children to build confidence in reading, practise to improve fluency and to foster a love of books.

Each **Tuesday**, we will send home two reading books (at the child's level) which they will keep for the week. The books will be changed each week if it is documented in their reading diary that they have been read.

Please document in their home reading diary what your child has read and what number night they are up to for ease of tracking for rewards.

Please Note: The reading folder, books and diary still needs to be returned daily

Handwriting

Braeside Primary School uses the NSW Foundation Style letter formations. Please encourage your child to use lower case letters unless upper case letters are required, such as in names. Please encourage your child to write using the font below:

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp
Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

Science

This year in Science we are studying the following:

Term 1- Biological Sciences- Living things and how they change.

Term 2- Chemical Sciences- Materials and their uses.

Term 3- Physical Sciences- Movements and energy, and sounds.

Term 4- Earth and Space Sciences- Earth's resources

Absences

A note is required for every absence your child has from school. This is a legal requirement. If you forget to write and send in a note, the office will send home an absentee note to be signed.

Late Arrival and Early Collection

If your child is late arriving to school, they will need to sign in through the office before entering the classroom. Should you need to collect your child early from school, please go to the office first and sign your child out. You will be given a token to present to the teacher on collection of your child. ***Please hand the token to the teacher*** as it confirms that all the legal requirements have been met and your child will be released from the class.

Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) School

As Braeside Primary School is a PBS school, students are rewarded daily with Goldies for positive behaviours for being an:

- Achieving Astronaut,
- Engaged Explorer,
- Respectful Ranger
- Safety Sergeant.

Goldies are recorded by Admin and rewarded throughout the year at a whole school level.

Consequences

Positive behaviour is modelled, taught, encouraged, and rewarded. This minimises the need for consequences for undesirable behaviours. That said, young students are learning to share, take turns, solve conflict, and negotiate, so there will be times when consequences have to happen. We use a traffic light system in class.

- All children start on green every day.
- Inappropriate behaviour (red choices) means the child's name is be moved down the traffic lights. Warnings are given before this happens.

- If they are moved from the yellow to the orange light, they will work in isolation within the classroom for a short time to think about their choices.
- Once appropriate behaviour is displayed the child can then move back up the traffic lights and return to their activity.
- Continuing to make red choices while working in isolation results in moving their name to the red traffic light. This may result in the child spending a short time in another classroom (buddy class). You will be informed if your child gets to the red traffic light.

Birthdays

You are welcome to bring in cupcakes on your child's birthday to share with the other children in the class. Please discuss this with your child's teacher beforehand to arrange a suitable time.

Birthday party invitations can be given to your child's teacher to be placed discreetly into reading folders, so as not to cause undue upset to children who are not invited.

- Cupcakes are preferred as staff do not have time or equipment available to cut up and serve large cakes.
- Party bags, gifts, lolly bags, drinks and extra food are not necessary and are preferred not to be brought in to school.

I am excited to be a part of your child's learning journey and look forward to the fun and adventures we will get to experience together. I feel fortunate to have a wonderful class of polite and respectful children in Room 6. They are a credit to you all.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

Ms Tracy Hanratty
Year 2 Teacher
Braeside Primary School