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### Preparing your child for school

In the lead up to starting school, it is beneficial for children to be given plenty of opportunities to practice the following skills.



### Writing their name

Capital letter at the beginning only



### Getting dressed independently

- Putting on and taking off their shoes and socks
- Opportunities to practise tying own shoe laces
  - Putting on jumpers and raincoats independently



# Familarise with school bag

- Getting used to putting bags on their backs, carrying them, and
  - taking them off
- Packing their bags with all their school items
  - Zipping their bags open and closed
  - Make sure all your child's belongings are labelled with their name on it

### Using toilets independently

Discuss how your child will use the toilets at school

- Remind them that they will be given regular times to go throughout the school day. They must always ask their teacher before they go during class time
- Pack a spare pair of clothes in your child's school bag, just in case



## Personal Hygiene

 Washing hands after going to the bathroom and before eating breaks

 Practise using tissues to blow their nose



## Reading

- Children who enjoy books are always more enthusiastic to learn to read
- Practise holding a book correctly and turning the pages
  - Ask questions about what you've read. For example:
    - What happened next?
    - What was your favourite part?



## Language Skills

• Encourage your child to talk about familiar objects and events

 Following simple 2 step instructions e.g. pack away your toys then go and brush your teeth.

• Encourage your child to communicate their needs e.g I'm thirsty, I need to go to the toilet.

## Number Skills

- Simple counting
- Idenitfying numerals 1-10 and counting out corresponding objects, e.g. count 5 teddies
  - Matching objects that are similar shape, size and colour



## Fine Motor Skills

- - Cutting and pasting- using scissors safely and holding scissors correctly
    - Here is a link to practise cutting: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hQPx4oMhCCJPMBM0P8hvPf05ygmPIhDZ/view
- Pencil control- get your child used to holding pencils, encourage correct pencil grip whenever possible
- Here is a link to practise pencil control:
   <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NEF0Ki5nEjPT2aii1MOjfeZ6CUygqHUX/view</u>
- Working with playdough, tracing beads, Lego etc.



## Gross Motor Skills

- Build gross motor skills through indoor and outdoor play, and encourage your child to engage in activities that develop balance and coordination
- The NSW Department of Health recommends 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity per day. Please follow the link below for more information:

https://www.google.com/url?q=https%3A%2F%2Fsport.nsw.gov.au%2Fsectordevelopment%2Factive kids%2Fparents&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNFmU2IA4\_Qin7\_4OGmB-YFILuhrtA

### Social and Emotional Skills

- Kindergarten is a wonderful environment to help support and develop your child's awareness of others. In preparation for Kindergarten, and throughout your child's first years at school, please provide regular opportunities for your child to socialise with other children and practice social skills such as sharing, safe play and taking turns.
  - Playing games at home can help develop turn taking and focus on an activity.

## School Rules

- Students must follow the school rules of being a safe, respectful learner
  - No hat, no play



## School Uniform

School uniforms are available for purchase. You can purchase both primary school uniform and our preschool t-shirts from the below location:

• Lowes Store, Minto Mall - Phone 9820 1611

### Girls uniform

- Red, white, and black checked tunic
- Red, white, and black checked skort, or black shorts
- Black pants
- White socks
- Black shoes
- Black hat

### Boys uniform

- Red t-shirt
- Black shorts
- Black pants
- Black socks
- Black shoes
- Black hat



### Preparing for eating times

- Opening and closing lunch boxes
- Ensure your child can unwrap or open all containers
  - Using a drink bottle
  - Discuss what they will eat at different eating breaks e.g. Fruit break, lunch and recess

## Fruit break

- Students will be given time during the morning session to eat some fruit
- Please ensure your child has a piece of fruit or vegetables in their lunch box, to eat during this time



## Healthy Lunch Box

### Below are a few pictures of what a healthy lunch box looks like:





### Important Information



8.30am 8.55am 9.00am 11.00am 11.10am 11.40am 1.20pm 1.30pm 2.00pm 3.00pm

SCHOOL TIMES

Morning Supervision Morning Assembly Morning Session Lunch eating time-healthy food only Break / Play Time Middle Session Recess eating time-healthy food only Break / Play Time Afternoon Session School finishes (Preschool–Year 6)

### Important information

 Playground supervision starts at 8.30am each school day. Your child must not be left alone in the school grounds before 8.30am

- School finishes at 3.00pm each day. There is no supervision provided for students after this time. If you know you will be running late, please contact the school office
- Your class teacher will not release your child to anyone unless you have informed them in advance. Please keep your teacher updated with collection details for your child



### Important Information

### **ABSENCE OF PUPILS**

All teachers keep a class roll which records the absences of pupils. If your child is away from school you must write a note giving the reason for the absence. It is not enough to write a note stating that your child has been away. A reason must be given. Please ensure that your child is at school on time because lateness to school is treated as a partial absence and a note must also be sent to the teacher.

### Important Information

### CANTEEN

A canteen operates at our school - the aim being to supply healthy lunches to children at a reasonable cost to the parents. Your child will receive a price list early in the new year. Children wishing to order their recess or lunch must go the canteen before school starts in the morning. List is on the new page.

ANDWICHES (White or Wholemeal Bread	3)
Vegemite	\$1.50
Jam or honey	\$1.50
Cheese The	\$2.00
Lean ham	\$2.50
Cheese & tomato	\$3.00
E Lean ham & cheese	\$3.50
E Lean ham, cheese & tomato	\$4.00
le Salad (lettuce, tomato, carrot, cucumber) で Tuna, lettuce & mayo	\$4.00
Fresh chicken with cheese	\$4.00
Fresh chicken, lettuce & mayo	\$4.50
Fresh chicken & salad	\$4.50
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WRAPS - ROLLS (FOCACCIA extra \$1.0	(0)
Cheese & tomato	\$3.50
🖉 Lean ham & cheese 🧳 🦇	\$4.00
Lean ham, cheese & tomato	\$4.50
Salad (lettuce, tomato, carrot, cucumber)	\$4.50
Tuna, lettuce & mayo	\$4.50
Fresh chicken with cheese	\$5.00
Fresh chicken, lettuce & mayo	\$5.00
ALADS (All Salads served in 12oz Don	10)
Garden salad	\$4.00
Tuna salad	\$4.50
Cheese salad	\$4.50
Lean ham salad	\$4.50
Fresh chicken breast salad Fresh chicken breast pasta salad	\$5.00
Caesar salad	\$5.00
Fresh chicken avocado salad	\$5.00
Greek salad	\$5.00
Fresh chicken Caesar salad	\$5.00 \$5.00
USHI sold at cour	ator
- renyaki chicken with cucumber	\$4.50
Salmon with cucumber	\$4.50
Veggie Tofu, carrot, cucumber (vegan)	\$4.50
Tuna with cucumber	\$4.50
NACKS & FROZEN TREATS	EN E SILVER
Fiam or frozen 99% juice small cup	50c
Plain or frozen 99% juice-jelly small cup	50c
Custard small cup	50c
Plain or frozen 99% juice cup	\$1.00
Plain or frozen 99% juice-jelly cup	\$1.00
Frozen diced pineapple cup	\$1.00
Frozen plain milk cup	\$1.00
Frozen 99% quelch fruit juice sticks Bread sticks x 4	\$1.00
Custard cup	\$1.00 \$1.00
Chocolate custard cup	\$1.50
Frozen orange wedges	\$1.50
Frozen mandarin wedges	\$1.50
Frozen lite milk cup (chocolate, banana, strawberry)	\$1.50
🖻 Frozen 99% nippy's juice cup	\$1.50
Sour snap sticks	\$1.50
Frozen grapes cup	\$2.00
Frozen watermelon cup	\$2.00
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Hash brown Chicken & corn roll Potato wedges bag Nachos with salsa & cheese Noodles cup Chicken nuggets x5 Chicken or beef hot dog (one free sauce) Sausage roll (one free sauce) Meat pie (one free sauce) Pizza wrap (tomato & olives, bbg chicken) Crumbed Chicken Burger with lettuce & mayo Fillet-O-Fish burger with lettuce & mayo Homemade cookies x1 (freshly made daily) Gummy bear x3 Popcorn Jelly cup Monster noodle snacks ( chicken or bbq) Jelly & custard cup Homemade fresh muffins (freshly made daily) **Rice sticks cheese** Vanilla ice cream cup Grain waves 22g

Red rock deli chips 28

HOT FOOD	\$1.00
The Course of	\$1.00
Corn cob	\$1.50
Garlic bread	\$1.50
Garlic & cheese bread	\$2.50
Fresh chicken wings x1	\$3.00
Cheese pizza (served on roll)	\$3.00
🦉 Mexican quesadilla	\$4.50
Stuffed vine leaves with rice x5	\$4.50
Beef meatball sub with napolitana sauce/cheese	\$4.50
Chicken meatball sub with napolitana sauce/cheese	\$4.50
Plain grilled chicken souvlaki on a roll	\$4.50
Plain grilled chicken souvlaki wrap	\$5.00
B Homemade pizza with cheese	\$5.50
Whomemade pizza with lean ham & cheese	\$5.50
😢 Homemade hawaiian pizza	\$5.50
Beef lasagne (non halal)	\$5.50
Vegetarian lasagne	\$5,50
Cheeseburger	\$5,50
Aussie lean beef burger lettuce/tomato	\$5,50
Chicken breast fillet burger lettuce & mayo	\$5.50
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HOMEMADE MENU Australian, European, Asian & Mexican Meals \$4.50 \$4.50 AVAILABLE Pasta bolognaise \$4.50 C.  $\rightarrow$ Mac & cheese \$4.50 Chicken napolitana pasta E  $\rightarrow$ \$4.50 Pasta with beef meatballs E \$4.50  $\rightarrow$ EVERY DAY Pasta with chicken meatballs \$4.50 \$4.50 Veggie fried rice B Monday Mexican chicken burrito skillet & rice 💼 Tuesday Wednesday Teriyaki chicken stir fry & steamed rice \$4.50 E \$4.50 Thai red curry chicken, vegetables & rice **E** Thursday Gluten Free options available extra \$1.00 Chicken hokkien noodles Friday

🕡 Tuna pattie burger

**DAZZLING MEAL DEALS...** If you buy a meal combo you would save up to \$1.00 \$3.50 CHEESE SANDWICH Water 400ml + frozen stick or fruit PACK 1 \$5.50 SALAD SANDWICH Water 400ml + frozen stick or fruit **PACK 2** \$6.00 MEATBALL SUB Water 400ml + frozen stick or fruit **PACK 3** \$6.00 PASTA BOLOGNAISE **PACK 4** Water 400ml + frozen stick or fruit \$6.50 CHICKEN & CHEESE ROLL Water 400ml + frozen stick or fruit **PACK 5** \$7.00 LASAGNE (beef or vegetarian) **PACK 6** Water 400ml + frozen stick or fruit

### VECGIE & OTHER SNACK PACKS \$2,50 Veggie cup with hommus \$4,00 Veggie dome (carrots,celery,corn,tomatoes, bread sticks) \$4,00 Veggie dome with cheese cubes & cread cticks \$5,00 Veggie dome with fresh chicken Breast & Bread Sticks \$5,00 CRUNCH N SIP PACKS \$2,20 Exact piece of fruit & water 400ml \$2,50

Fresh piece of fruit & water 400ml	\$2.50
Fresh orange/apple wedges & water 400ml	\$2.50
🐌 Fresh cut veggie cup & water 400ml	\$3.00
Tresh diced fruit cup & water 400ml	40.

## **Benevolent Society**

 As Australia's first charity, our vision is a just society where everyone lives their best life. We've been supporting people with disability, children, families, older Australians and carers since 1813.

- Not-for-profit and non-religious, we're committed to people. Through a dedicated team, a network of service providers, partnerships and volunteers, we change lives.
- If you need to get in touch with this service the number is : 1800 236 762

## School Banking

- As coronavirus restrictions begin to ease across each state and territory, Commonwealth Bank has decided to restart the School Banking program from Term 3, 2020 and offer schools the flexibility to choose when it is best for them to begin the program again in their community. Hopefully this will be up and running in 2021 at Sarah Redfern Public School. Kindergarten teachers will inform you when this occurs.
- Students participating in School Banking will get weekly hands-on saving practice, when they bring their deposit to school in their Dollarmites deposit wallet on School Banking day. They'll also receive a silver Dollarmites token each time the make a deposit, which they can redeem for a Treetop savers reward (maximum one reward per item). A list of rewards is on the Commonwealth bank website.

### School Counselling Service

- School counselling staff are members of the school learning and support team. At Sarah Redfern Public School our current School Counsellor is Mrs Willis.
- A teacher may recommend the service by referring a student to the school's learning and support team. As a parent or carer, you may refer your child directly to the school counselling service. Students can also selfrefer to the service.

### School Counselling Service

- The school counselling service can:
  - support students who are worrying about school wor friends, getting in trouble at school or feeling down
    - help parents and carers make decisions about your child's education
    - assess a student's learning and behaviour
    - help teachers and students identify and address disabilities that may affect learning
    - liaise with other agencies regarding student wellbeing.

School counselling is confidential.

### Learning and Support Team

The school's learning and support team plays a key role in ensuring we meet the specific needs of students with additional learning and support needs, including disability.

The team:

- supports teachers in identifying and responding to the additional learning needs of students
- facilitates and coordinates a whole-school approach to improving the learning outcomes of every student
- coordinates planning processes and resourcing for students with additional learning and support needs
- designs and implements the support required to build teacher capacity so that all students access quality learning
- develops collaborative partnerships with the school, parents and carers as well as other professionals and the wider school community.