



Learning to Excel Together

Transition for 2016 Preps

A smooth transition into school is very important. It sets the foundations for positive, lifelong learning. At Heatherhill we have prepared a comprehensive Transition Programme, introducing children and parents to our friendly, welcoming school. Children will experience a range of activities that will prepare them well for their start at school in 2016.

While the children are happily engaged with their 2016 teachers, parents will be meeting various staff members who will also help their “transition” into Heatherhill Primary School.

Date	Time	Activity for new Prep students	Parents
Friday 30th October 2015	9:15- 10:15	Introduction to Heatherhill Primary School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will be introduced to Junior School teachers and shown around the Junior School Learning Centre. 	Principal, Mrs Mary Verwey and Assistant Principal, Miss Gillian Harris, will introduce parents to Heatherhill PS. They will explain how we do things at Heatherhill and why it is such a great school.
6th Friday November 2015	9:15- 10:15	Introduction to School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will participate in Walker Learning developmental activities (Investigations). 	Miss Deb Kingstone, Junior School Teacher, will talk to Parents about Walker Learning, Literacy and Numeracy.
Friday 13th November 2015	9:15- 10:15	Introduction to school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will participate in Perceptual Motor Program (PMP) Children work through a sequence of experiences to develop perception, language and motor outcomes along with memory training. 	Mrs Mac (Louise) will talk about Book Fees, Uniform, Canteen, newsletters, notices and excursion costs.
Friday 20th November 2015	9:15- 10:15	Introduction to school – Using Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will undertake a session using iPads, netbooks and the interactive whiteboards. 	<i>Extend</i> (Out of School Hours providers) will talk to parents about After School Care.
Tuesday 8th December 2015	9:15 – 12:15	Orientation Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will have an extended session at school. They will have a tour around the school, visiting the Library, the Art Room, the Hall and playground. We will provide a snack and drink. 	Parents do not stay.

On behalf of the Heatherhill School community, I look forward to meeting you and your child during the Transition Program.

Mary Verwey, Principal