

# Stage 1 2024

Year 1 and Year 2

## *Parent Information Session*

Thursday 7th March 2024



# Acknowledgement of Country

*The Dharug people are Parramatta's first people and the traditional custodians of this land. Stage 1 staff would like to pay respect and acknowledge that the land, waters and skies on which we gather for this information session today, was and always will be Dharug Country. We pay respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.*

*Right: The Darug Story of Western Sydney  
Artist : Leanne Tobin*



# Stage 1 Staff - Year 1 Teachers

Stage 1 Deputy Principal: Mrs Dippenaar

Stage 1 Assistant Principal: Miss Davis

Miss Chen

Mrs Kochhar

Mr Abu Bakar

Miss Gock

Mrs Glasson

# **Stage 1 Staff - Year 2 Teachers**

**Stage 1 Deputy Principal: Mrs Dippenaar**

**Year 2 Supervisor: Mrs Luo**

**Miss Trinh**

**Miss Lee**

**Mr Wang**

**Miss Byrne**

**Ms Sen**

**Ms Erben**

# Stage 1 Syllabus Documents

- Stage 1 is Year 1 and Year 2
- The Stage 1 syllabus is for students in Year 1 and 2
- All syllabuses taught in Stage 1 are: English, Mathematics, Science and Technology, History, Geography, Creative Arts and Personal Development, Health & Physical Education.
- All of these can be found online and parents can access these

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/k-10/years/stage-1>



# Student Welfare Afternoons after lunch

## Monday

- Peer Support/Clubs

## Tuesday

- Positive Behaviour for Learning lessons based on our school values

## Wednesday

- House Meetings (Blaxland, Evans, Lawson or Wentworth)

## Thursday

K-2 Assembly 2:15pm

## Friday

- APEEL (Social Skills program) where students learn strategies and skills to maintain friendships and interact positively with their peers.



# Other weekly events

## Library

- Year 1 Monday
- Year 2 Tuesday

## Scripture

- Fridays

## Sport

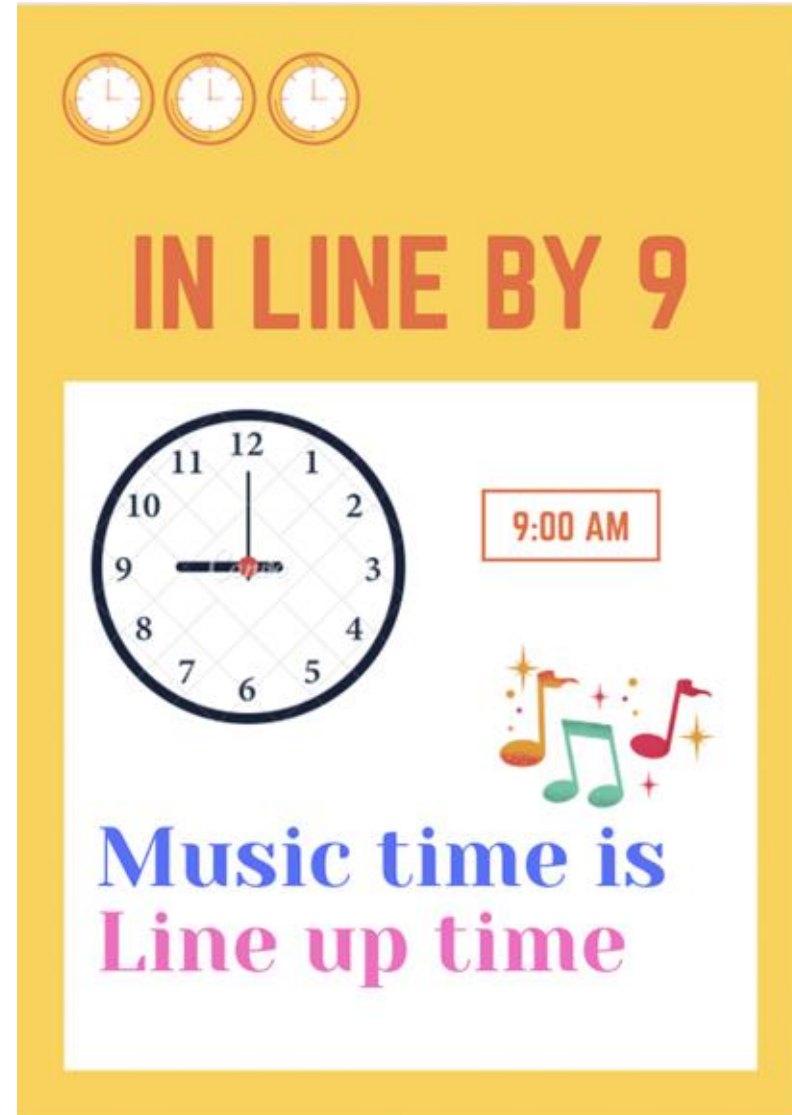
- Sports in Schools on Friday

## Assembly

- Thursday at 2:15pm in the hall

# Attendance Matters

- It is important for students to be in line by 9am
- Teacher supervision starts from 8:30am. Students who arrive on time can talk with their friends and go to the bathroom before the bell.
- Students who are late to school are rushed, they miss the morning messages for the day and don't get a chance to go to the bathroom.





# Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

[education.nsw.gov.au](http://education.nsw.gov.au)

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## Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

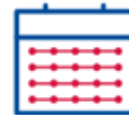
they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

**1** day per fortnight  
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M T W T F

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**4** weeks



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Over **1** year missed

If your child is absent from school, please fill out the absence form on Audiri.

# Eating Time - Lunch

Our eating time for lunch is from 1:30-1:45pm. All students sit down to eat their lunch for **15 minutes**.



Please send containers that your child can open. Please include a spoon or fork where needed. There are no facilities at school to provide spoons.



# Things to bring

Please pack:

- Reusable water bottle
- Crunch 'n' Sip
- Recess
- Lunch

**No glass  
bottles or  
containers**



## Wrapper Free Wednesdays

Darcy Road is committed to cutting down plastic waste. Students are encouraged to bring crunch 'n' sip, recess and lunch without plastic wrappers.



# Things to bring

## ■ Hat

Students need to bring their hat to school each day (no matter the weather)



**Please clearly label all your child's belongings with their name, including water bottles and containers.**

# Things to bring

- Library bag
  - Monday for Year 1
  - Tuesday for Year 2

- A paint shirt/old shirt
- Spare change of clothes and plastic bag



**Please clearly label all your child's belongings with their name, including water bottles and containers.**

# Things to stay at home

Students do not need to bring in pencils or pencil cases. The school supplies these items.

Special toys should stay at home.



These items often don't have names on them and it is very difficult for teachers to find out who owns them. Students also get very upset if items are misplaced etc. Therefore, we recommend special items are kept at home.



# Things to hand into the office

SMART watches must be handed into the office in the morning and picked up by your child after



# Before and After School Routines

## Morning

- Supervision is from 8:30am
- Students line up at 8:55am
- Notes placed in the office  
'Note Box' before school
- Students are encouraged to go to the toilet before class starts





# Getting Home

## Afternoon

- Each afternoon, students line up in 4 different lines: bus, Olive Street, Kiss and Ride and After School Care. Teachers walk these groups down.
- Pick up time is 3pm
- **Students forget easily when there is a change in their schedule.**  
**Please ensure your child knows how they are getting home each day.**

**Olive St is only for pedestrians. If you are driving, you must go via Kiss & Ride (Darcy Road) or park on neighbouring streets and walk to Olive St.**

# Google Classroom



- **Google Classroom** is an online collaboration tool, allowing students and teachers to work together on tasks, or simply to share information. It is a safe environment, monitored by teachers. Students can only join a classroom if the teacher explicitly shares a specific code. Students are likely to be members of several Google Classrooms created by teachers for class tasks and for homework assignments.
- **Supported by the Department of Education NSW** and can be accessed directly through the student portal.

# Homework

- All Stage 1 homework will be available on Google Classroom **each fortnight**. They log into the student portal at home using their Department of Education username and password
- Students can ask teachers at school if they need assistance with their username or password.
- Homework will be fortnightly
- 'Must do' activities are reading, Maths, spelling, writing and speaking/listening.
- 'Can do' activities differ each fortnight but may include Science, Art, History etc. These are **optional**.
- If you have questions during the fortnight, please contact the teachers through the office and not in the comment section of Google Classroom.

Homework will start in Week 6. Teachers will take students through the homework at school. Students will be shown how to use Google Classroom.






Students will click 'turn in' when they have finished their homework.

# Homework



## ■ Reading- 20 minutes each night

WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?		
Student A Reads	Student B Reads	Student C Reads
❖ 20 minutes per day.	❖ 5 minutes per day.	❖ 1 minute per day
❖ 3,600 minutes per school year.	❖ 900 minutes per school year.	❖ 180 minutes per school year.
❖ 1,800,000 words per year.	❖ 282,000 words per year.	❖ 8,000 words per year.
		

Reading with your child at home - document

If a student starts reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of Year 6 they would have read for the equivalent of 60 school days. If they read for 5 minutes per day, they would have read for 12 school days. If they read for 1 minute a day, the student would have read for 3 school days.

# Sport



Physical activity recommends for children to engage in at least 30 minutes of physical activity each day.

Sports in Schools Australia is a great opportunity for your child to engage in structured sport lessons.

Please return notes and payments for SiSA.

# School Reminders

- Please hand all notes to the office Notes Box before school.  
All payments are made online.
- Please add our Audiri app available in the iTunes and Google Play store to have the most up to date information.
- Add our Facebook page  
<https://www.facebook.com/darcyroadpublicschoolofficial/>



# Other Information

## Birthday Celebrations

- Students do not share food at school.
- Please do not send cupcakes, donuts, lolly bags or other food items for your child's birthday or any other items to hand out.
- Your child's class will celebrate their birthday by singing to them.
- Your child needs to come to school as normal
- They need to wear school uniform

## Medication

- Kept in school office, not in students' bags
- Please inform the office of any allergies or medical concerns
- Update healthcare plans when necessary

# Other Information

## Allergies/Anaphylaxis

- Please **do not** send peanut butter sandwiches, nutella products or nuts to school



- Advise the school if your child has been diagnosed with an allergy or allergies.
- Severe allergies or anaphylaxis may result in emergencies and the school must be informed.



# Other Information

## Lost Property

- Lost property box inside the office
- Clearly label all items



## Parent/Teacher Communication

- Make an appointment with class teacher through the office or school email [darcyroad-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:darcyroad-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)
- Reports sent home end of Term 2 and 4
- Parent Teacher interviews held at the end of Term 1. All information will go out on Audiri.

## Contact Details

- If your mobile number, address or any other details change, please see the office to update them.

**Thank you**  
**for attending the**  
***Parent Information Session!***

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