

ENROLMENT

Children may enrol to commence school in Term 1 if they are 5 years old, or will turn 5 before May 1st of the year of enrolment.

Parents/Caregivers must have a copy of the child's Birth Certificate to be copied, and fill in Enrolment Forms prior to the child commencing school.

At the start of each year Permission Slips are sent home to all families for parents/caregivers to sign. There will also be a sheet to update contact numbers and any other information concerning your child.

Children will spend all of their first year in Reception. The Junior Primary Teacher will liaise with pre-schools and families.

A Transition program will be offered in Term Four for new Reception children consisting of orientation to the school, spending time in the classroom and increasing visit time over a number of weeks to a full day so that the routines of recess & lunch playtimes, and packing up for home at the end of the day can help reduce anxiety of beginning school.

All children will receive a Library Bag and a book to keep as a welcome to Blyth Primary School.

Students who have previously attended other schools and are commencing at Blyth Primary School may telephone to make a time for a tour of the school, and to fill in enrolment forms before the child may start.

SUPPORT

If you need any support to assist you with ensuring your child comes to school regularly please feel free to contact either your child's teacher or the Principal for a conversation.

Please telephone for an appointment.

On the odd occasions due to unforeseen circumstances students may be late to school. Being late on a regular basis is not acceptable.

The staff understand that children may at times refuse to go to school and usually there will be an underlying matter that can be easily dealt with to assist your child to feel happy to attend school again.



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School

ENROLMENT
&
ATTENDANCE
POLICY

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School Vision:

GROWING

BELIEVING

And

ACHIEVING

BLYTH PRIMARY SCHOOL VISION-

GROWING-

As children grow as individuals, they learn about their beliefs, values and personal identity.

BELIEVING-

As young people they can have many opportunities to experience and learn.

ACHIEVING-

Wellbeing and Academic goals for now at Primary School and for future success.

BLYTH PRIMARY SCHOOL VALUES

Our purpose is to create a learning environment which reflects the core values of-

COLLABORATION, RESILIENCE, RESPECT.

At Blyth Primary School, we are working together to:

- Create an environment that celebrates effort and achievement so that we develop a sense of belonging and pride in ourselves and our school.
- Create a learning environment that encourages risk taking and the achievement of personal excellence.
- Develop positive links that strengthen the partnership between students, parents/caregivers and teachers.
- Empower children and adults to work effectively to make appropriate decisions.

Ensure that children and adults experience a safe and secure learning environment.

REGULAR ATTENDANCE

This is one of the most valuable aspects that contributes towards students' ongoing learning development and wellbeing. The Staff at B.P.S are committed to working with families to ensure students attend school on a regular basis.

ATTENDANCE

The compulsory school age for children is 6 years of age to 16 years of age to attend either a government or non-government school fulltime. Absences must be accompanied by a note of explanation supplied to the school through either Flexi-Buzz or in the student's communication book/diary.

The responsibility for meeting this legal requirement is with the Parent/Guardian.

The School has a legal responsibility to record and monitor student attendance. It is the Class Teacher's responsibility to record absences each morning and send the roll book to the front office in a timely manner for recording into EDSAS.

The school will contact parents in the first instance if students are absent from school without Flexibuzz notification or communication for the reason of absence.

Any students that need to leave during the day must be collected from the front office and must be signed in or out of The Student Register book.

Any students that arrive late to school must also be signed into The Student Register at the front office.

The school also has the responsibility to take appropriate action to address issues of ongoing Non-Attendance. This will include mandatory referrals to Student Support Services in some instances.

Families with known absences for holidays during the school term need to seek an exemption from the Principal if more than 3 school days absent, or for extended absences please contact the school for details that apply.

ILLNESS

If your child is sick the best place for them to be is at home. By keeping your child at home they will be able to recover fully before returning to school and stop the spread of germs to others.

At Blyth Primary School it is a practice that the parent/guardian will be telephoned to collect a child if they become ill at school.

In some instances there are Health Regulations or Department for Education Regulations that state when a child may return to school. Your Medical Practitioner or the Front Office Administration staff can assist you with this if you are unsure.

SCHOOL TIMES

Students may start arriving to school at 8.30 am. Students should not be in the school yard unsupervised prior to this time.

Bus students and other students will be able to enter the yard at 8.30, but if arriving prior to this time will need to be waiting at the Main Building Bus Shelter Area.

A Yard Duty Teacher will be on supervision from 8.30 am until 9am.

Students enter classes at 9am ready for learning.

Recess Time is- 11am until 11.20 am

Lunch Time includes 10 minutes supervised eating time commencing at- 1pm and concludes at 1.40pm.

An Outside bell will ring a few minutes prior to the siren to alert students to finish off their games, have a drink, go to the toilets & wash their hands before entering the class if needed.

The School Day finishes at- 3.30pm.

A Bus Duty Teacher will supervise Bus students in the Admin Hall Area until the bus arrives.