

THE 2010 I.E.P.S. TRANSITION PROGRAM

PREP ORIENTATION SESSIONS

The 2010 Prep children have been divided into four groups for the Prep Orientation sessions. Each group is offered four sessions for the children to attend. Held throughout the school, these sessions introduce the children to some typical school activities which they will encounter next year. We hope your child can attend all sessions, but understand if commitments prevent this. Due to size limitations we cannot put a child in another session if one has been missed. The number of children becomes too large for the planned activity.

The Prep Orientation sessions run for approximately 45 minutes. Parents are asked to leave and pick up the children at the same room at school. The children will be given name tags to wear during their prep experience visit, which enables teachers to get to know children's names and identify them.

A map of Ivanhoe East Primary School has been included in this pack to aid new parents in locating the rooms and areas that will be used in transition.

The first Prep Orientation session will take place on **Thursday, 29th October**.

The accompanying timetable gives the dates, times and rooms for the four activities.

Prep Experience groupings have been arranged for these four sessions **only** and will not be the classes for 2010. Included in this transition pack is a form for parents to supply information about their child coming to school in 2010. Any information provided remains confidential and the forms will be shredded at the end of Term 1, 2010. Please return the forms to the IEPS School Office marked:

CONFIDENTIAL Gail Moncrieff, Transition Coordinator, by Tuesday October 20th 2009.

We endeavour to meet requests where possible, but we ask you to consider carefully all the implications of your requests.

FIRST PREP ORIENTATION SESSION – Thursday 29th October 2008

The first Prep orientation session will be held in the 2009 prep rooms with the current prep teachers. The session will begin at 9.10 and completed by 9.55.

The children will not need to bring anything with them to this session.



The **PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association)** will provide a welcome morning tea for all parents of 2010 preps. This will be held in the school's staffroom. Parents are encouraged to stay and chat to members of the school community and to other new parents. Toddlers are welcome. Morning tea will be offered while the 2010 prep children are at their first orientation session in the Junior School wing.

Session 2 PMP SPACE CENTRE Pauline Serafini

Group 1 - Tuesday 10th November 1.50 to 2.35

Group 2 - Tuesday 10th November 2.45 to 3.25

Group 3 - Tuesday 17th November 1.50 to 2.35

Group 4 - Tuesday 17th November 2.45 to 3.25

Please wear light comfortable clothes and sandals/ thongs for PMP – children will be working in bare feet

Session 3 SCHOOL LIBRARY Adrienne Dudley

Group 1 - Monday 23rd November 9.00 to 9.45

Group 2 - Monday 23rd November 9.50 to 10.35

Group 3 - Monday 30th November 9.00 to 9.45

Group 4 - Monday 30th November 9.50 to 10.35

Session 4 MUSIC ROOM Gail Moncrieff

Group 3 - Wednesday 25th November 9.00 to 9.45

Group 4 - Wednesday 25th November 9.50 to 10.35

Group 1 - Wednesday 2nd December 9.00 to 9.45

Group 2 - Wednesday 2nd December 9.50 to 10.35

Uniform Shop



The **I.E.P.S. Uniform Shop** will be open Every Friday until the end of Term 4 from 9.00 to 9.45. Parents are welcome to visit the uniform shop to inspect, purchase or order uniform items. There will be a uniform selling day prior to school commencing. The date will be in the school handbook.



Second Hand Uniform Shop

The second hand uniform cupboards are situated near the IEPS Staffroom in the old school building. Parents are welcome to inspect the items in the cupboard at any time. All items in the cupboards are \$2.00 and parents are asked to pay for the items they take at the school office.



Please note that wearing an I.E.P.S. **hat** is **compulsory** during Term 1 and Term 4. We are a Sun Smart School. An **IEPS wide brimmed, bucket or legionnaire hat** is required to be worn for all outdoor activities by all children – **NO HAT, NO PLAY**. We are sure all parents will support this program.

Preps 2010

What equipment and clothing will my Prep child need next year?

- Art smock - named
- Library bag - named
- Water bottle - named
- Sport shoes for PMP and PE in the *SPACE Centre*... no black soles
- **Take Home Book Folder** - only available at the Uniform Shop. This folder will be needed for three years at least - named
- **Term 1 and 4** - An **IEPS sun smart hat** - available at the Uniform shop - named

At our school it is expected that all children wear their school uniform, which is even more important on excursions or when they represent the school e.g. Sport, Music.

All items your child brings to school should be **clearly named with child's first and family name**.

The 2010 Prep class lists and book lists will be mailed to families before school commences in 2010.

The Beginning of 2010 School Year

Term 1

Monday 1st February 2010

Staggered start to the first day of school - don't forget your camera!

9.00am children with siblings at IEPS

9.30am children of new families to IEPS

Children stay to 12.00 - they will need an IEPS Sun Smart hat, small play lunch and water bottle

Tuesday 2nd February 2010

Normal school day 9.00am to 3.30pm

Wednesday 3rd February 2010 - Prep children do not attend school.

Weeks beginning the 8th, 15th and 22th February

Normal school days - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - 9.00am to 3.30pm

Wednesdays will be pupil free in February -Your child will be asked to attend on one of these days.

Parents/carers do not need to stay with the child. A timetable will be sent home during the first week to advise parents of the date and time to attend. The appointment is usually about one hour.

From Weeks beginning 1st March - Children will attend Monday to Friday

Term 1 finishes on Friday 26th March at 2.30pm.

In the first few weeks of school, the Prep children will have play and lunch times at different times to the rest of the school.

During these play sessions, teachers support the children to understand the playground guidelines e.g. Where they can safely play, areas that are out of bounds, location of outside toilets, how to recognize yard duty teachers, how to get help for injuries, how to buy something from the canteen.....

We encourage you to send a water bottle with your child every day. We allow children to drink water throughout the day.

Please note that if your child has an allergy, asthma or any medical condition the school must be made aware of this.

Our school nurses are here tonight and can speak to parents regarding medical issues.