

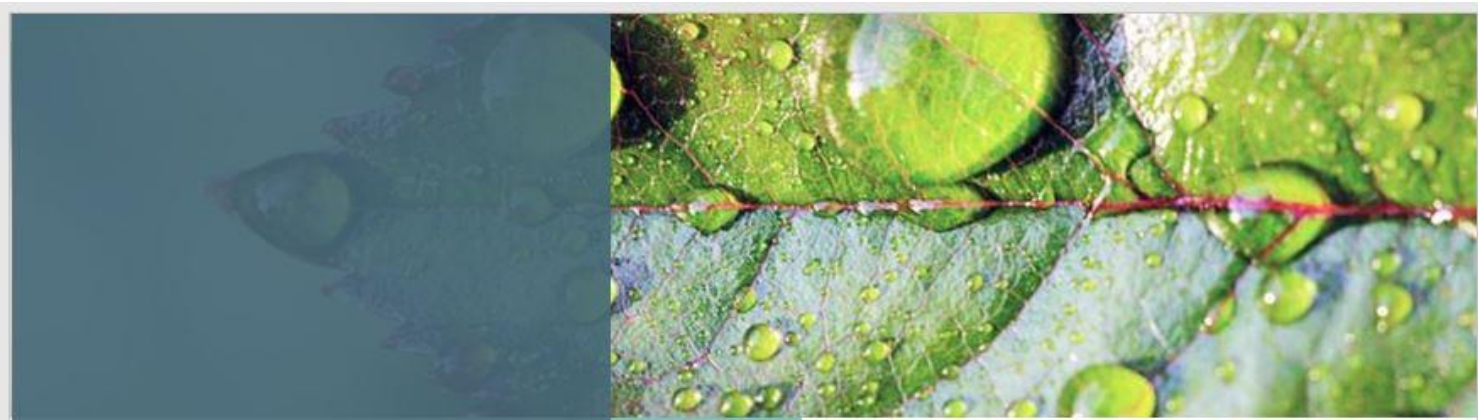


Welcome to Thomas Acres PS Orientation Morning Kindergarten of 2022





Acknowledgement of Country

By Briellah K/1T



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
COUNTRY



Thomas Acres Public School respectfully acknowledges the D'harawal People, who are the traditional Custodians of the land on which we live, learn, work and play.

We would like to pay respect to Elders past, present, and emerging, and we extend that respect to other Aboriginal, and non-Aboriginal people, here today.

This land was, is and always will be Aboriginal land.

YARNING CIRCLE @TAPS: 2021
Compiled by Sharryn Azevedo

Welcome by Mr Pope Principal Thomas Acres PS P.S.



Kindergarten 2022

What you need to know



Yvonne Bryce (ES1 supervisor/Instructional Leader)
Natalie Puntoriero (Early Stage One Assistant Principal
2022) with Yvonne Bryce

Ensuring a successful start to Big School



- Children who are initially upset, tend to settle within the first 10 minutes
- If your child is upset, it is best to leave the room or drop off area quickly
- Anxiety is not unusual, tears are short-lived.
- Rest assured, if your child does not settle, we will contact you
- We all want a happy start for your child next year!

Best Start Testing

When: Tuesday, Wednesday
and Thursday

(1st–3rd February)

Time: 2 sessions

9.15–11.15am and 12.00–
2.00pm

Please meet at the front office

There is a letter in your Kindy Pack outlining your
specific date and time

NB The teacher who tests your child may not be
their class teacher



All Kindergarten
students start on
Monday 7th February at
9.30am
Where: in the hall



School starts at 8.55 from Tuesday 8th February 2022

Student leaders will meet your
children near the front office
from 8.40 and walk them down
to their teachers in the Infants
Covered Learning Area



End of day pick up

Please pick your children up from the enclosed area at the front of the school at 2.30pm for the first 2 weeks (7th – 18th February)



From Monday
21st February the
Kindergarten children
will finish at 2.55pm.
They will then be able
to go to either back or
front gate



Separate playtimes

For the first 2 weeks

Kindergarten will have separate playtimes to the rest of the school

Why: this helps the children socialise with their classmates without being overwhelmed by the rest of the school.

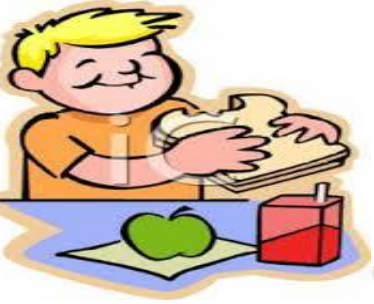


Allocation of classes

Your child will be put into holding classes for their first few days of school next year.

Class placements can change due to enrolment numbers and social interactions between students





Lunches and Recess

Your child will need:

- *A labelled lunch box and drink bottle

- *1 snack, a sandwich, 2 pieces of fruit and a drink (preferably water) is all they need

Please don't pack too much food

Amelia Parker 🍷

Charlie Bennet ⚽

Archie Anderson 😊

Imogen Armitage ☆

Jack Gosling 🏴‍☠️

LABELS!!

PLEASE label all
removable items of
clothing (jumpers/hats,
raincoats)
and lunch boxes/drink
bottles



Library Day– once a week

Your child has been provided with a library bag in the Kinder pack.
Please write their name on it.

Your child's class teacher will let you know which day is Library day early next year.



MEL'S CANTEEN

Open every day.



***Order online** (menu and online ordering website is in your Kinder pack)
or ***Place order in the canteen slot before school**

Please don't give your children a lunch order in the first 2 weeks due to different playtimes



Mel's Lunchbox

SCHOOL BAGS

Please buy a bigger bag
for your child

They need to fit a great
deal in them!



Reports from outside agencies

Please give copies of any speech, paediatrician, OT or any other specialist reports to our office staff or your child's class teacher

WHAT'S IN THE KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION PACK?



- A letter to your child – outlining when they have their **Best Start testing time** and the date they begin next year
- Kindergarten 2022 information letter
- Parent information Booklet- extremely important- keep it handy!! It will answer the majority of questions you need to know. It has the school website in it which is also a great source of the most current information.
- School discipline policy
- TAPS “Say No to bullying” policy
- School attendance information and absence notes
- After School care information
- Uniform shop opening times and price list
- Ideas to help your child in early Literacy and Numeracy
- Ants in the Apple card/ sight words for first term
- Name writing card and whiteboard marker
- A social story book about starting Kindergarten at Thoma
- *Book – A getting ready for school book
- A book to read and enjoy



Communication

- **website** – <https://thomasacre-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>
- **facebook page** – <https://www.facebook.com/pg/ThomasAcresPublicSchool/posts/>
- **Seesaw** – Seesaw is a wonderful tool for us to be able to provide you with photos of what is happening inside the classrooms and to be able to communicate messages to you. You will need to download the app and the school will provide you with a personal QR code.



UNIFORM SHOP

(Pickles) Cheryl will be under the COLA after this session if you have any questions or would like to check sizes.



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YMCA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Brenda will be under
the COLA after this
session if you have
any questions.



P&C

Our P&C welcome parents/carers to join!

The P&C is important to our school because they raise much needed funds to help our children!

Jennifer Tabbouch (2021 P&C President)

Will be under the COLA after this session if you have any questions.



Thank you for attending our Kindergarten 2022 Information session

If you have any questions
please feel free to chat to
myself or any of the staff

