



Welcome to Durack State School's 'Dance into Durack' Pre-Prep Program

The purpose of our pre-prep program is to ensure that your child:

- becomes familiar with our routines, expectations and environment
 - develops appropriate early numeracy and literacy skills and language
 - engages in gross and fine motor and early math and literacy activities
 - begins to develop positive relationships with other children who will start Prep with them
 - engages with adults within the school context
 - develops positive associations with school, making the emotional transition to Prep smooth.
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As parents, the program will provide you the opportunity to:

- engage with other parents who have children in your child's cohort
- get some handy tips to help make your child's transition carefree
- develop confidence in the our supportive school environment

This is what a morning in Pre-Prep looks like:

Time	Activity	Details
8:55	Arrival and sign in	<p>Children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - go to the toilet - put their bag on the bag trolley - move their name on the sign in board - find and put their name tag on - put their snack and water bottle on the table <p>Parent/Carer: Encourage children to independently complete arrival process.</p>
9:00	Greeting/ Good morning song. Rotation Fine motor and math activities	<p>Children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - participate in good morning song and fine motor activities provided at the tables. <p>Parent/Carer: Engage with children when they are doing fine motor activities. The more talking the better.</p>
9:50	Clean Up and Group Session - Oral Language/ Literacy Concepts (Story Bridge - School words and texts)	<p>Children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pack away activity they are at - Sit on a spot on the carpet - Follow instructions and participate in story and questions. <p>Parent/Carer: Watch and encourage child to participate.</p>
10:05	Morning tea break	<p>Children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - eat fruit snack at tables with their peers

		Parent/Carer: Support children to open their packets themselves and check if they need the toilet.
10:15	Pack up food Group session - singing	Children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pack away activity they are at - Sit on a spot on the carpet - Listen to songs by participating. Parent/Carer: Sit on chairs around children, sing and participate in songs and encourage children to do so.
10:25	Goodbye time - saying goodbye to adults, peers.	Children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sing the good-bye song - Say goodbye to adults and peers Parent/Carer: Watch, participate and encourage child to participate.
10:30	Home	Session finished

* Early Maths kits will be given to each family for home use and practice. Activities come from the School's RoleM Maths Program.



We really look forward to spending this year together, learning, playing and preparing for school. Your

participation as a parent is very important to this process. Please note phones are not allowed in our group and your child needs to be supervised at all times. Also, siblings (either younger or older) are not permitted to attend Pre-Prep. We want to make this time focussed on your child and their readiness for school. Thank you for your understanding. Please come and see us if you have any questions.

Your Pre-Prep teachers,

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