Get Set for Prep at GBSS



Intent:

Our school is a place of Learning, Caring and Sharing. We achieve this by creating inclusive and intentional learning opportunities through safe and positive relationships, future-focused learning and professional collaboration. We create 'Equity and Excellence' by continually striving for improvement whilst also looking for opportunities to share our skills, grow and develop in a rapidly changing world.

Our Prep Transition Program supports our Strategic Plan by ensuring students and families feel welcome, safe and ready to learn as part of our community. Families' engagement through all phases of the plan is critical in ensuring our students are best placed for success in their new environment.

Phase 1 - Introductory Tours (Max 10 families)

| Intent | Target Audience | Timeline |
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| New families to the school | Parents – register through the | Throughout Term 1 & 2 |
| engage with a Prep Precinct | office to attend a session | |
| Tour with a Leadership Team | | |
| member | | |

Key points:

- Approximately 30 minutes
- Identification of the Prep buildings, playgrounds, eating areas
- Discussion about daily routines
- Information sharing about P&C, Helping Hands, uniforms, etc.
- Opportunity for parents to ask questions in a more informal forum

Phase 2 - Parent Information Session

| Intent | Target Audience | Timeline |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Share information regarding | Parents | Wednesday 7 th June, 6pm |
| Prep transition, Prep | | Term Two, Week 7 |
| curriculum and routines as | | |
| well as enrolment processes | | |

Key points:

- Approximately 45 minutes
- Prep Curriculum vs Kindy Curriculum
- The Nature of learning at GBSS
- General routines
- Levies and fees
- Uniform requirements
- Additional programs available at Golden Beach State School
- What to expect from your child during their first year of school

Phase 3 - Playgroup & Parent Readiness Session (Max 14 students)

| Intent | Target Audience | Timeline |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Students – engage in a small | Students & Parents – register | Throughout Term Three |
| playgroup session with a lower | through the office to attend a | |
| school teacher | session | |
| Parents – attend a readiness | | |
| session with Guidance Officer | | |
| and Deputy Principal | | |

Key points:

| Parents session facilitated by Deputy Principal and Guidance Officer • Managing routines • Behaviour management; home and school connection • What challenges may look like • Supports available | Student sessions facilitated by classroom teacher • Play-based engagement • Learning to be a learner |
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Phase 4 - Playgroup and Enrolment Interview (Max 10 students)

Enrolment forms must be returned at least one week prior to attending the enrolment interview and play session

| Intent | Target Audience | Timeline |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Students – engage in a small | Students & Parents | Throughout Term Three & |
| playgroup session with a lower | | Four |
| school teacher | | |
| Parents – attend 15-20 minute | | |
| enrolment interview with | | |
| Leadership Team member | | |

Key points:

| Parents attend session with a Leadership Team | Student sessions facilitated by classroom | |
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| member to share information about their child | teacher | |
| and what could benefit their success at GBSS | Play-based engagement | |
| | Learning to be a learner | |

Phase 5 - Early Childhood Education Centre Visits

| Intent | Target Audience | Timeline |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Targeted discussions with | School Leadership Team | Throughout Term Three & |
| ECEC teachers about student | | Four |
| needs and learning | | |

Key points

• Centres can request a school visit to discuss student needs if they feel this will be beneficial to the students' transition

<u>Phase 6 – Teacher Introductory Letter</u>

| Intent | Target Audience | Timeline |
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| Students familiarise | Students & Parents | Term Four, final week of |
| themselves with their teacher. | | school depending on post |
| Letters outline key dates for | | <u>timelines</u> |
| parents and provide some fun | | |
| transition/readiness activities. | | |

Phase 7 - Pre-commencement Classroom Familiarisation

| Intent | Target Audience | Timeline |
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| Students attend a morning in | Students | Friday 19 th of January, 2024 |
| their classroom; 9.00am – | | (Week before official school |
| 10.30am | | commences) |

Key points:

- Students attend their own class with their classmates
- They are encouraged to wear their uniform
- Parents can remain at school and are encouraged to allow students to be as independent as possible

Timelines

Phase 3 – Playgroup and Parent Readiness Session (14 spaces available per session)

Book for one session through the office or via email jburk115@eq.edu.au

| Date | Time | Location | |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------|
| Held throughout Term Three | | Students | Parents |
| Tuesday 1 st of August (Week 4) | 9-10am | Banksia Room | Library |
| Thursday 3 rd of August (Week 4) | 1.45 – 2.45pm | Banksia Room | Library |
| Tuesday 15 th of August (Week 6) | 9-10am | Banksia Room | Library |
| Thursday 17 th of August (Week 6) | 1.45 – 2.45pm | Banksia Room | Library |
| Tuesday 29 th of August (Week 8) | 9-10am | Banksia Room | Library |
| Thursday 31 st of August (Week 8) | 1.45 – 2.45pm | Banksia Room | Library |

Phase 4 – Playgroup and Enrolment Interviews (10 spaces available per session)

Book for one session through the office or via email jburk115@eq.edu.au

| Date | Time | Location | |
|--|-------------------|--------------|---------|
| Held throughout Term Four | | Students | Parents |
| Tuesday 17 th of October (Week 3) | 9-10am 10-11am | Banksia Room | Library |
| Wednesday 18 th of October (Week 3) | 9-10am 10-11am | Banksia Room | Library |
| Wednesday 1 st of November (Week 5) | 9-10am 10-11am | Banksia Room | Library |
| Thursday 2 nd of November (Week 5) | 9-10am 10-11am | Banksia Room | Library |
| Wednesday 15 th of November (Week 7) | 9-10am 10-11am | Banksia Room | Library |