



Starting School

Sutherland North Public School

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What Sutherland North provides for your child

- Outstanding academic programs
- Individualised learning programs
- Highly qualified and dedicated staff
- A school wide approach that focuses on supporting the social, emotional and academic wellbeing of every child
- A safe and friendly environment
- A strong partnership with the parent community



Thinking about School

When to start?

- Children must turn 5 on or before July 31 2021
- Before their 6th Birthday
- Talk to the people involved with your child
- Contact the school to discuss your concerns

Benefits of your local school

- Develop local friendships and social groups
- Build independence by walking or riding a bike to school

Enrol soon

- Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the school website
- If you have enrolled, but change your mind please let us know as soon as possible
- Transitions begin in Term 4



Preparing for School

Orientation Program

- Children will be involved in stories, songs, games and activities in a classroom with one of the current Kindergarten teachers and support staff
- Your child should attend all transition sessions. This helps children to become more familiar with the school environment, staff and their peers

Before school starts

- Be positive about starting school
- Go for a walk or drive around the perimeter of the school
- Talk about school and what they might do there



Social skills to develop:

Children learn a lot of these skills through play situations.

- playing cooperatively
- getting along with others
- sharing
- taking turns
- getting help
- remaining with a group
- finishing activities
- following rules
- working independently without an adult
- coping with new situations



Self Help Skills

Encourage and practice the following with your child;

- Taking responsibility for their own items such as locating and packing away hats, jumpers, bags and toys
- Opening and closing lunch box containers, drink bottles and unwrapping items.
- Putting shoes on, taking them off, tying shoe laces
- Take off or put on a jumper
- Putting things away, rubbish in the bin
- Personal Hygiene - Using a tissue, going to the toilet, using toilet paper, flushing the button and washing hands
- Use pencils, paint brushes, crayons & scissors



Gross & Fine Motor Skills

- Physical coordination & hand/eye coordination
- Muscle tone & strength
- Balance
- Posture
- Eye movements
- Manipulative skills (hand/finger strength-Lego, threading)
- Pencil grip
- Tactile awareness (how things feel)
- Hand Preference - It is useful to have developed a hand preference



What do we teach?

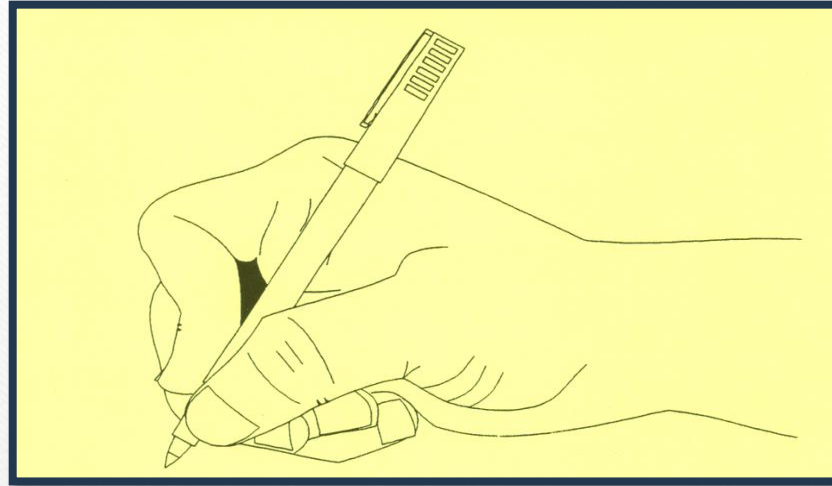
- Seven learning areas from the NSW Syllabuses for the Australian Curriculum
- Literacy and Numeracy are our core business



Learning Areas

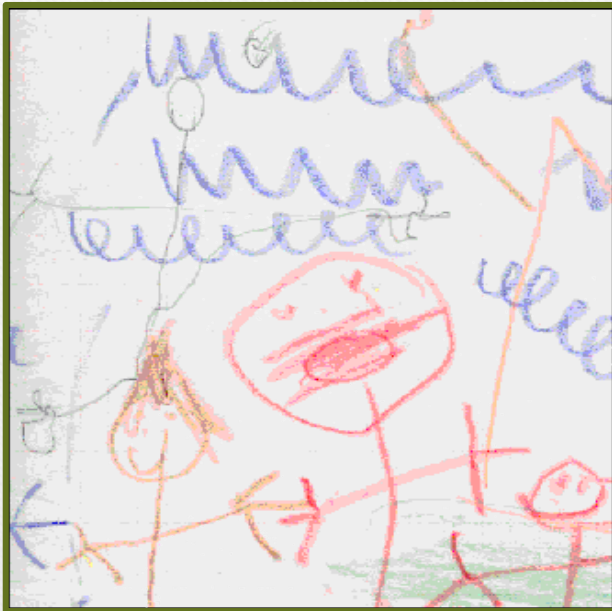
- English
- Maths
- Science
- History
- Geography
- Creative Arts
- Personal Development, Health and Physical Education





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Early Writing



You are your child's first teacher

How you perceive schooling, reading and writing influences their attitude and interests.

Model reading and writing at home, show them that it is worthwhile and make it fun.

Kindergarten Transition Dates

Orientation 1 - Monday 19 October 2:00 – 3:00pm

Orientation 2 - Tuesday 27 October 9:30 – 10:30 am

Orientation 3 - Wednesday 4 November 9:30 – 11:00am concluding
with morning-tea provided by the 2020 kinder parents.