



Our Plan for a Covid Safe Start to school



Positive start to the year

The first days of the school year are significant and meaningful ones for students. Giving parents and carers the opportunity to share this special time with their children sets the foundation for a long and positive engagement with their education and the school community.

Bray Park State School will continue to follow advice from Queensland Health and adhere to physical distancing and hygiene measures to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of students, staff, parents and the school community.



Keep your distance

Maintain physical distance (1.5m) including when you are at school. This includes at drop off and pick up and if you do come onto school grounds.

Have a mask with you in case you cannot physically distance.



Good hand hygiene

Wash your hands regularly and try not to touch your face. At school, hand sanitiser is available at the office and around the school. Parents, carers and visitors are encouraged to access these.



Stay at home when you are sick

Please do not visit a school if you are sick. Anyone who is showing signs of illness or feeling unwell must stay at home. Children who are showing signs of illness will be referred to first aid and parents will be contacted to collect them.

Purchasing uniforms or coming to school

Uniforms can be purchased online. If parents cannot order online, they can attend the Hall from 1pm-3pm on Thursday 21 and Friday 22 January. We request that only one parent attend with children. Adults should have a mask with them in case physical distancing cannot be maintained.

Open Classes Friday 22 January

Classes will be open from 2.00-3.00 so that families can drop off book packs and children can meet their teacher. Each room will have a label displaying the number of adults that can be in each classroom (4 square metres per person). Parents may need to wait outside if the limit has been reached.

Facemasks will need to be worn if distancing is not possible.

First week of school – Wednesday 27 January – Friday 29 January

Dropping off

At the start of each school day, all students in Years 1 – 6 will assemble outside the Hall in their class groups. If required, parents are able to accompany their children until they are familiar with the routine. Parents should not gather in groups and should maintain physical distancing.

For children in Prep, parents can wait with their children around the Prep building and in the tuckshop area, also taking care to maintain physical distancing.

During this week, Prep classes will practice walking around the school and getting familiar with the Hall and where they line up in the mornings.

It is expected that most children will be able to walk independently to the Hall from the school gate from Week 2 onwards.

Picking up

From Week 1, Prep and Year 1 children will be walked to the pick-up area and parents can collect them from there just before 3.00.

In years 2-6, for children who are new to the school and are developing confidence with the school routine, parents can wait around the tuckshop area and meet their children there.

It is expected that children will quickly develop their independence and by Week 2 they will be able to meet parents at the school gate/

School Assemblies

Assemblies are held on Tuesday afternoons, commencing at 2.00 or 2.15. Parents are welcome to attend and view the assembly from outside the Hall. Seats will be placed so that physical distancing of 2 square metres per person can be maintained.

Contractors and visitors

Normal operations allow for contractors and visitors, who are required to sign in at the office on arrival and sign out when leaving. Parents or carers do not need to sign in and out of the school.

Early Collection

If students need to leave school early for an important reason, parents can come to the office and our administration staff will contact your child's class teacher to release from learning when you are onsite. Please allow sufficient time for this to occur.

Weather events at collection times

During these occasions, staff will supervise Prep-2 students in the undercover tuckshop area and students in Years 3-6, in the Hall area. Parents can collect their children from these areas or wait at the drop off zone on Hopetoun Street where a staff member waiting at the bus shelter will call down to waiting areas to have your student released to you.