



PRINCE
ALFRED
COLLEGE



Parent Handbook | Year 1

Staffing list and email contacts:

Classroom Teachers:

Heather O'Hara (1O'H) hohara@pac.edu.au and
Christopher Richards (1R) crichards@pac.edu.au

Support Teachers: Michelle Bennett

Specialist Teachers: David Leung (Chinese), Kellie McCauley (Art/ Dance), Sophia Lee (Music), Russell Thompson (STEM) and Sam Barton (Sport).

Specialist lessons:

You will find a detailed specialist timetable in your son's diary. Please note your son should bring a sturdy bag for Library borrowing on Thursday and wear PE uniform on the following days:

- 1 O'H: Monday and Thursday
- 1R: Monday and Wednesday

Sports sampling program: Monday 3:00- 3:30pm

Swimming:

R-2 classes have swimming lessons in Term 4. Further information will be provided at the beginning of that term.

Homework expectations:

Boys will use their diary to record their Home Learning. For protection, the diary, along with readers, must be transported inside the PAC compendium. It is expected that Junior Primary boys should allocate 20 mins per night for their Home Learning Tasks. In addition to 10-15 minutes of daily reading recorded into the diary, boys should:

- Practice their spelling words (list glued in diary), and heart word list (numbered), to be tested on Fridays (5 mins).
- Play mental computation (Maths) games as recommended in diaries (5 mins).
- explore their Home Reading Pack (from Week 3) featuring a quality text with simple discussion points.

iPad:

In R-2, iPads are used during school hours with clear purpose and supervision from teachers. This will usually involve taking photographs, publishing, learning apps and assessment.

Vision Screening:

In Term 2, we will be facilitating Vision Screening for all Year 1 boys. Further information will be provided towards the end of Term 1.

Term 1 dates for the diary:

- Volunteer Induction Session: Friday 9 February, 8:30-9:15am, Prep School Library.
- Family Fun Night: Friday 9 February, 5-9pm
- Week 3-4: Parent Teacher Interviews
- Chinese New Year Festival: Friday 16 February
- Cross Country: Friday 12 April
- Last Day Term 1- Friday 12 April

Please refer to the school calendar throughout the year for further dates.