

STARTING STRONG @ JSS

Prep 2027

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you for your interest in enrolling at Jindalee State School for Prep in 2027. To begin the enrolment process, you will need to complete and return an [Enrolment Application Pack](#). If we are able to progress your application to the next stage, you will then be invited to attend a [Prep 2027 Parent Information Session](#) and an [Enrolment Interview](#).

As part of our 'Starting Strong @JSS' program, we also have a number of transition activities that you and your child will be invited to attend. Details will be made available once your application has been accepted.

To allow us to efficiently process your application, please see below for some important information.

Have you completed and returned the following documents:

- **Enrolment Application Pack** - this MUST be submitted before attending the Information and/or Interview sessions.
- Has your child's **original birth certificate been sighted** by a staff member at the office?
- Have you provided **TWO 'Proof of Residency'** documents for the Jindalee SS catchment area?

If not, please submit these prior to attending your enrolment interview!

Important dates to remember:

School Tours will be held:

9.30-11am - Thursday 25 June

4-5pm - Monday 7 September

Prep 2027 Parent Information Sessions and **Enrolment Interviews** will be held in Term 2 & 3 - families only need to attend one of each session.

Soaring into Prep is a 4 week program with limited availability and will be held twice in 2026 - May/June and August/September. You will be invited to register for one of these programs.

Pre- Prep Transition Days will be held from 9.30-10.30am on the following Mondays: 19 October, 26 October, 2 November. We encourage your child to attend all three Transition Days to enable your child to gain the maximum benefit from this program.

If you have any questions, please call us for a chat or send an email to enrolments@jindaleess.eq.edu.au.

We look forward to meeting you and your family!

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STEP INTO PREP...

Our Early Years Transition Program is designed to ensure that our Prep students and their families, 'Start Strong' at Jindalee State School, by providing a positive transition from Kindergarten to Prep.

More information about how to book the different sessions will be provided once your enrolment application has been processed.

Step 1

Submit Enrolment Application

Download an Enrolment Application Pack from our website or visit our school office to collect your Enrolment Pack.

When: Forms are due by Friday 4 September

Step 2

Parent Information Session

Parents & Carers are invited to attend a Parent Information Session, to find out more about our school and our Prep Transition program.

When: 11 June OR 3 September

Step 3

Enrolment Interview

During your enrolment interview, you will be able to share any personal information about your child, that will assist us in providing the best transition experience, from Kindy to Prep, for your family.

When: 4 June, 18 June, 27 August OR 10 September

Step 4

Soaring Into Prep

A 4 week program where children are invited to engage in activities similar to those in Prep, to help ease the transition to school life. Places are strictly limited.

When: Tuesdays 26 May - 16 June OR Thursdays 13 August - 3 September

Step 5

Pre-Prep Transition Mornings

Children commencing Prep in 2027 are invited to spend three mornings in our Prep classrooms with our current Prep teachers. Information sessions will be held for parents/ carers during this time.

When: 19 October, 26 October AND 2 November

School Tours

Join us for a tour around our school on 25 June or 7 September. Email us to join our mailing list.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open during the Transition Mornings in Oct & Nov. Follow Jindslee SS P&C on Facebook for current Shop hours.

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Starting Strong Program

We are excited to welcome you and your family into our Jindalee State School community, as your child enters the next phase of their educational journey. Whether you have/had children attend our school before, or are new to our school/area, this is an important and big step for your young person.

Our 'Starting Strong @ JSS' program has been designed to establish a strong foundation for learning outcomes and make a positive impact on young people's lives. We believe that when we work together with our families, we can realise the potential of every student.

What is Starting Strong @ JSS? Our Early Years Transition Program is designed to ensure that our Prep students and their families, 'Start Strong' at Jindalee State School by providing a smooth and positive transition from Kindergarten to Prep.

Why are we Starting Strong? To ensure our Prep 2027 cohort are well prepared and have a successful start to their first year of formal learning.

How are we Starting Strong? Our aim is to strengthen partnerships with our prospective families and local ELC/CCs and provide them with the support they need to ensure JSS is meeting their Kindy-Prep transition needs.

Where are we Starting Strong? Connecting with local ELC/CCs and various community groups, will mean our Starting Strong Program encompasses our entire JSS community.

When are we Starting Strong? See our program of events for the important dates of our program.

A successful transition from early childhood learning settings to school is important for all children and has long-lasting benefits. Children who experience a positive transition into their new environment are likely to be happy at school and continue to improve their social and academic skills.

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Starting Prep in Queensland

Starting Prep is a big step for your child. It is also a big step for you as a parent or carer.

Queensland state schools welcome you and will support you and your child to make these steps positive ones.

Plan ahead with this simple checklist:



Before enrolment

Is your child the right age?



Find a school that is right for you.

Read about the school on their website.

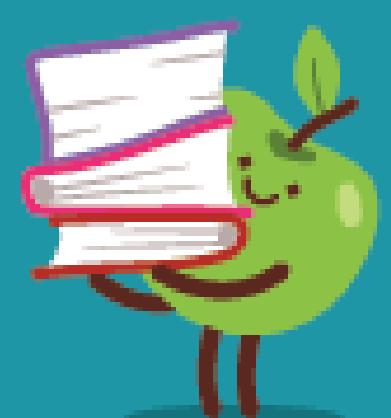


Find out about before and after school care.



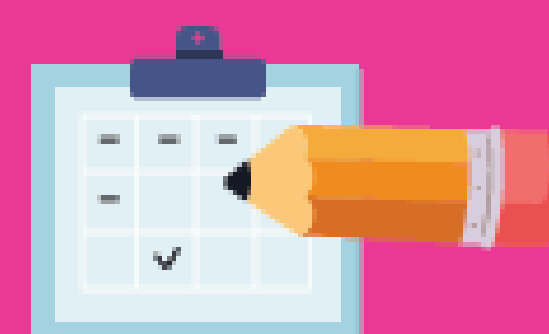
Gather supporting information:

- birth certificate
- proof of address
- medical information
- any related legal orders.



Enrolment

Contact the school or make an appointment to visit.



Get an enrolment pack from the school.

Complete the *Application for student enrolment form*.



Present the completed form and supporting information to the school.

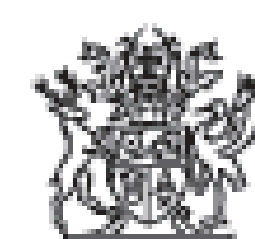
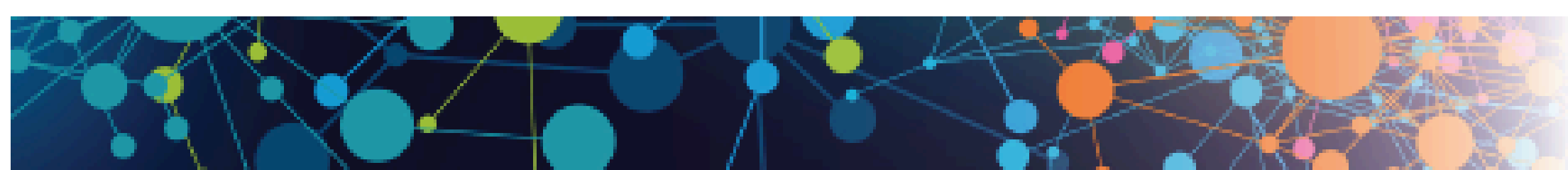


Wait for the school to contact you.



For more enrolment information visit: <https://education.qld.gov.au/parents-and-carers/enrolment>

For fun activities before school starts visit: www.qld.gov.au/startingschool





Supporting positive transitions

Information for parents and families

Starting school is an important time in the lives of children and families. A great start can help your child develop a lifelong love of learning.

The first year of school is full of new and exciting experiences. Families play a significant role in supporting their child to have a positive transition to school.

All children have different interests, needs and motivations and your child's transition will be unique.

You can help your child to feel more comfortable about starting school by engaging in everyday activities that help to build their self-confidence, such as:

- sharing stories
- playing simple family games
- going to the park to play with other children and families
- playing games that help develop their physical skills like ball games.

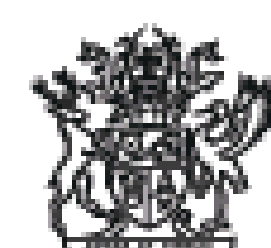
Take time to talk about starting school and the routines your child is likely to experience at school, for example:

- playing with new friends
- going to the library and music lessons
- using the playground equipment
- learning new skills
- letting your child know that teachers are there to help.

You can support your child's independence by:

- helping them choose a lunch box they can open and close
- practise putting on their uniform, socks and shoes.

If you have older siblings, encourage them to get involved too.



Getting to know your school community also plays a big part in helping your child feel safe, confident and welcome in their new environment.

Remember to support your child's wellbeing during the first term by making sure they have plenty of time to rest, play and relax.

Here are some ways you can help your child at this important time.

Your child

You know your child best, and know what they need to have a great start to school.

- Make time to talk, read and relax before school starts and over the first few weeks of school.
- Talk about how your child is feeling and try to adjust routines at home to match their moods and energy levels.

From home to school

Help your new teacher get to know your child. Talk to the teacher about:

- your child's interests
- how your child learns
- your goals for your child.

From kindy to Prep

Kindy helps your child:

- build confidence
- make friends
- develop a love of learning.

You can ask your child's kindy teacher about starting school and about your child's transition statement.

Consenting to share your child's kindy transition statement with your new school will help the teacher learn about your child's strengths and interests, and will support their planning to make your child's transition a positive one.

Build your child's confidence

Help your child's self-confidence by finding answers to their questions or concerns together.

- Talk to your child about how to ask for help and model what to say.
- Ask your child's kindy teacher for ideas about how you can help your child to start school.
- Talk through some "what will I do if...?" situations with your child, for example "what will I do if my yoghurt spills?"

Your local area

Knowing your local area can help your family feel more comfortable when starting school.

- Walk or ride around the area to find special spots like the library or park.
- Make a map of how to get to school together.
- Take some photographs of the school to share with extended family members.

Feeling of belonging in the school community

Encourage your child to feel that they belong at their new school by:

- attending school events with your child, such as transition sessions, open day events, sports carnivals and performances
- helping in the tuckshop or uniform shop
- spending time in your child's classroom
- going to school P&C nights
- getting to know your teacher.



More information

- Ask your kindy teacher about starting school.
- Talk to your new school principal.
- Ask your kindy teacher about the online kindy transition statement application and consent arrangements.
- Access the Early Childhood Education and Care website for more tips and resources www.qld.gov.au/transitiontoschool.