

SCHOOL READINESS INFORMATION



CAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Enrolment Information
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ENROL FOR KINDERGARTEN

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OUR SCHOOL VISION

Our vision at Camden Public School is to work in partnership with our families and community to develop in students a strong sense of belonging. We aim to create an environment where learners thrive and demonstrate academic achievement and growth. We share with our community the responsibility for a well-rounded, inclusive education that supports students' cognitive, social, emotional and physical wellbeing. We aim to empower students to achieve their personal best in a supportive environment where challenges are embraced and effort is celebrated as a path to improvement. We are committed to inspiring our students to become respectful, inclusive, resilient, lifelong learners and responsible citizens who make valuable contributions to a sustainable society.

CAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

- Highly qualified and experienced teachers
- Quality teaching and learning experiences in Key Learning Areas
- Interactive whiteboards, iPads, Laptops
- Extra curricular opportunities e.g. Chess, Dance, Choir, Sports teams, Agricultural Groups, Superior Scientists, Maths Olympiad and Debating
- Small school community with big school opportunities
- Specialised programs e.g. Learning and Support Team, Hearing, Autism
- Actively involved parent community

SCHOOL READINESS



- How do I know if my child is ready to start school?
- What does my child need to know before starting school?
- How can I help my child prepare for school?

THE FACTS

- The law states that all children must start school by their 6th birthday.
- Your child can start school at the beginning of the new year, if they turn 5 on or before the 31st July.
- Parents of children whose birthdays fall between January and July need to make a decision about whether to send their child or hold them back.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Does your child demonstrate the following:

- Self-control
 - ✓ Following routines and rules
 - ✓ Listening carefully and following instructions
 - ✓ Waiting patiently for their turn and sharing
 - ✓ Sitting still and listening to a story for a few minutes
 - ✓ Sharing an adult's attention with other children
- Task Persistence
 - ✓ Concentrating and persisting with tasks until complete
 - ✓ Following through on personal responsibilities

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Fine & Gross Motor Skills

Is your child able to;

- ✓ Hold a pencil correctly
- ✓ Turn pages of a book one at a time
- ✓ Uses scissors to cut out pictures and shapes
- ✓ Put on socks, shoes and jumpers independently
- ✓ Open drink bottles, lunch boxes, food packets and school bag by themselves
- ✓ Participate in running, kicking, throwing, bouncing, hopping and balancing activities.
- ✓ Take the lid of a glue stick and use glue appropriately
- ✓ Zip up a bag or jacket

COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT



In Literacy, does your child;

- ✓ Recognise their own name and write it
- ✓ Show interest in learning to read, hold books and turn pages
- ✓ Distinguish between words and pictures in books
- ✓ Show interest in learning to write by attempting to copy print
- ✓ Recognise some letters of the alphabet and know the sounds they make
- ✓ Follow simple 2 step instructions and answer simple questions

In Numeracy, does your child;

- ✓ Count, recognise and attempt to write numbers 0 to 10
- ✓ Name and recognise basic 2D shapes e.g. circles, rectangle
- ✓ Identify and complete simple patterns of colours and shapes
- ✓ Understand positional language e.g. under, over, in front behind

HOW CAN PARENTS HELP?

- Pencil grip (*Snappy fingers*)
- Letter formation (*NSW Foundation Font*)
- Name writing (*Only use a capital letter to start your name*)
- Numeral writing
- Counting household items or toys (*Forwards and backwards*)
- Identifying letters and numbers in the local environment
- Practice packing and unpacking school bags
- Practice personal care responsibilities e.g. jackets on and off
- Drive or walk past the school
- Talk about school and what happens there
- Organise play days with other children to develop social skills
- Read and talk about books regularly
- Sing nursery rhymes and play games with rhyming words
- Practise the 'don't interrupt rule' and 'hands up to speak'
- Using a urinal (*Boys only*)

RECOMMENDED WEBSITES

- www.schoolatoz.com.au
- Camden-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
 - ✓ Letter formation
 - ✓ Coming to school Social Story
- www.readingeggs.com.au
- www.mathseeds.com.au
- www.starfall.com