

Dear Parents and Families,

A warm welcome to our new families and returning families to Harrison School for 2019. In 2019 the first day for new students is Monday 4 February and for continuing students it is Tuesday 5 February.

### School Start and Finish Times

Year Level	Start Time	Finish Time
Preschool	8:55am	3:00pm
Kindergarten – Yr. 6	8:55am	2:50pm
Yrs. 7-10	8:50am - Homerooms	2:55pm

### Class Lists

Class placement lists will be displayed on Monday 4 February 2019. To minimize congestion, the lists will be displayed in several areas:

- Preschool – Year 4 near the P-6 canteen
- Yrs. 5/6 in the library windows facing the main quad
- Years 7 – 10 on the noticeboards between ERIC and the Technology building and at the 7 – 10 office.

### Monday 4 February - New students to Harrison School, including 2019 Preschool and Kindergarten students

Students need to arrive by 8:45am.

- Kindergarten – Year 4 meet on the main quad and will be directed to central meeting areas for their classes
- Years 5/6 meet on the blue courts at the back of Middle Square
- Years 7 – 10 meet at the front of the Senior PATS Building.

Parents are welcome to stay and have a cuppa in the P-6 canteen and meet other new parents and the Defence Transition Officers from 9:00 – 11:00am.

### Tuesday 5 February - All students

Returning students will need to arrive on Tuesday 5 February by 8:45am. Class lists will be displayed in the locations listed above. Parents/Students need to check the class lists and maps before going directly to their Home Rooms. Staff will be available to assist with locating classes and classrooms. Parents are welcome to stay and have a cuppa in the multipurpose room in the Hall and there will be an opportunity to meet representatives from the Harrison School P & C Association and other parents.

### **Wednesday 6 February**

Playground supervision begins at 8:30 on the Main Quad, Middle Square and the Green Hill areas. All students go to Home Room classes when the bell rings.

### **Thursday 7 February**

Students in Kindergarten – Year 4 will line up on the main quad near the Library. Each class has a number to stand behind. This number will be on class sheets. Year 5/6 meet on the blue courts in the Middle Square and Years 7 – 10 students go directly to Home Room at 8:50am

### **End of Day Collection Points for Kindergarten - Year 4.**

Teachers will bring classes out to be released at the end of the day.

- Kindergarten can be collected from the junior basketball court area
- Years 1/2 from the basketball court area and south side of the green building
- Years 3/4 classes will be released from the main quad.

### **Uniform**

Please ensure your child's name is on all uniform items. The uniform policy and requirements ([Harrison School Uniform Policy and Requirements](#)) are located on the school website to assist families in purchasing correct uniform items. If you have any concerns with the uniform please speak to one of the principals.

The Harrison School uniform can be purchased from the stores listed in the policy or the Harrison School P&C Second-hand Uniform Shop. The Second-hand Uniform Shop will be open on Friday 1 February and Monday 4 February from 8:30 – 10:00am. Please refer to the P&C Facebook page for additional opening hours. [Harrison School P & C Facebook page.](#)

We will be reviewing the uniform for Years 5/6 students during term 1. For 2019, the school will accept both the P-4 and Years 5-8 uniform options for students in Years 5/6.

### **Front Office**

The front office will be closed from Monday 24 December to Friday 1 February.

The office will re-open on

- Friday 1 February from 1:00 – 3:30pm (due to whole school staff professional learning)
- Monday 4 February from 8:30am – 3:30pm

## Canteen (P-6) and Café (7-10)

The canteen and café will not be open on Monday 4 February. Students will need to bring all food for the day and their drink bottle for water. The P-6 canteen and 7-10 café will open from Tuesday 5 February. [Flexischools Canteen Ordering](#) system can be used for ordering food and drinks from the canteen.

## 2019 Term 1 Calendar

The 2019 Term 1 calendar is available on the school website [Harrison School Calendar](#) and will be updated regularly. Other helpful information about starting school can be found at [Starting School](#).

## Car Park

The school and P&C have worked together to make the car park safer by implementing changes to improve traffic flow and by reinforcing correct use of the blue pick-up/set down zones. A reminder:

**WHITE** coloured zones are for parking.

**YELLOW** coloured zones are for disabled parking.

**BLUE** coloured zones are for DROP and GO and COLLECT and GO ONLY- **NOT PARKING** (cars are **NOT** to be left unattended by driver or to sit for extended periods of time).

**RED** coloured zones are **NO PARKING AREAS**.

Thank you for your support in using the car park zones correctly.

## Students Riding To and From School

For their own safety (and for bike riders it's the law), bike and scooter riders need to wear a helmet when riding to and from school. For the safety of others, students are reminded to walk their bike/scooter in school grounds. Bikes and scooters should be stored in one of the bike enclosures, which are locked for the duration of the school day.

Last but not least: Children need a good night's sleep, healthy and nutritious food for learning and positive support to prepare them for school. We look forward to partnering with you to make your child's experience at Harrison School positive and productive.

Jason Holmes

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