

How can I help my child?

- Share information about your child with the teacher. This information is always confidential
- Chat with your child about what they're doing at school
- Visit the classroom for a brief chat or to take part in daily activities or special events
- Encourage your child to experiment with various materials and equipment
- Encourage your child to explore different ways to organise areas, e.g. their bedroom, play area, cubby
- Read together and talk about everyday items such as signs, notices, letters, catalogues, magazines, TV guides, food packaging and bills
- Read and talk daily about storybooks, factual books and rhymes
- Make available a variety of materials and containers for measuring such things as water, grain and sand
- Involve your child in family activities that investigate mathematical ideas, e.g. cooking, setting the table, matching socks, sharing a meal
- Provide "junk" materials for drawing, making patterns, and building things



School Hours

Term One: 9 am - 2.45pm
Terms Two, Three and Four: 9am - 3pm



Outside School Hours Care is available both before and after school as well as during vacations.

How can I get involved?

Golden Beach State School recognises the vital role of parents in their child's education. There are many opportunities for you to participate in your child's learning.



Contact our school principal Greg Ferdinands or our office staff for suggestions on how to become involved in the school and your child's experiences in the Prep Year program.

Get Set for Prep - 2015

At Golden Beach we extend a warm welcome to you and your prep child to learn more about the exciting experiences that they will have at the start of their educational journey.

Later in 2014, you will have the opportunity to join us for our...

- Open days
- Parent Information Sessions



Contact the school office for more information. School events will also be publicised on our school website.

How do I enrol?

Enrolment packages are available from the school office. Children born between **1 July 2009** and **30 June 2010** are eligible for Prep in 2015.

A Birth Certificate MUST be presented to the office for enrolment to take place.

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Learning in the Prep Year

Information for Parents

Welcome to Prep at Golden Beach

We welcome you to Golden Beach State School and look forward to sharing the beginning of your child's educational journey.

During the Prep year your child will use specially selected resources that promotes learning inspired by their very own interests.

Our air-conditioned prep classrooms are located in beautiful natural surroundings and house interactive whiteboards to support student's learning.

Our caring and experienced teaching staff deliver an innovative curriculum with a strong focus on foundation literacy and numeracy skills.

We believe children learn best by being actively engaged and using their natural enthusiasm for life!

What will my child learn?

The learning experiences in the Prep Year will help your child to:

- Take on responsibilities, become more independent and cooperate with others
- Respect other people
- Make sensible choices about their health and safety
- Develop their physical skills
- Develop their oral language and the foundation skills in literacy and numeracy
- Learn how to be thinkers and problem solvers and use their imagination and creativity
- Learn about their environment

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Golden Beach State School

What makes us distinctive?

- Vibrant and positive school spirit
- Every child valued as an individual
- Fully air-conditioned classrooms
- The natural surroundings of our large and beautiful campus
- Our academic success
- Our emphasis on learning, caring and sharing
- Our proud traditions in sport
- The excellence of our music and drama program
- Our adventurous outdoor education program
- The calibre of our staff

And of course, our students.



Caring

What will I see my child doing?

Your child will be:



- investigating interests
- making choices
- talking with teachers and other children
- Making plans with their teacher about the things they might do and carrying out these plans
- designing and making things
- singing, dancing and painting
- listening to stories
- playing games indoors and outdoors
- climbing, balancing, jumping
- planning and sharing in make-believe play
- using computers to find out about the world and enhance their learning
- taking part in everyday experiences like gardening, cooking and tidying
- Developing as readers and writers
- Acquire early mathematical knowledge & apply this to new and exciting situations
- learning about size, shape, weight and measurement as they construct things indoors and outdoors



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