

to think to dare to dream







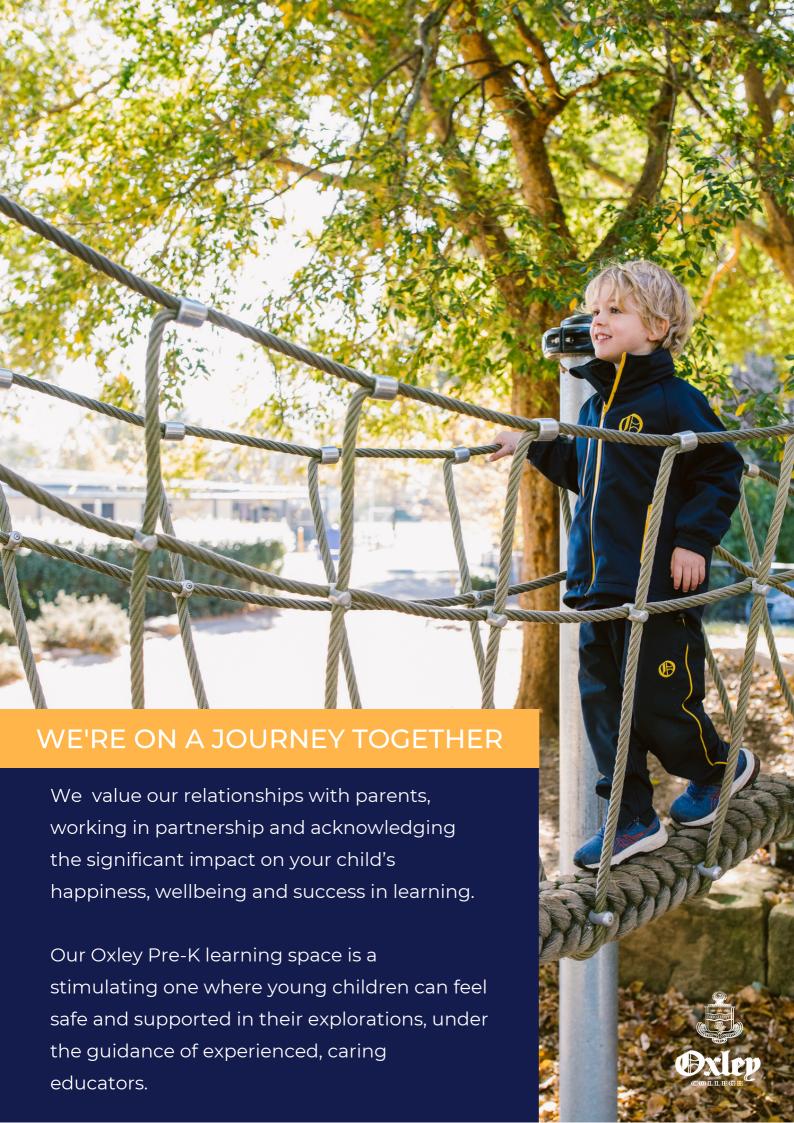
At the heart of our approach to learning is a commitment to fostering the sense of wonder, curiosity and creativity of each child. We aim to support the abundant potential of all children as they are given opportunities to question, play, explore and problem-solve, developing their own voice and self-confidence.

We value and respect the skills and knowledge that each child brings to their learning experience. Educators work alongside children with the intention of nurturing lifelong learners.



We follow the Early Stage 1 outcomes that allow children to experience a wide range of indoor and outdoor activities, music and movement groups, language and story times and opportunities to build social relationships and self-confidence.

Our Pre-K learning space is located in the middle of the Junior School and allows us to draw upon the teaching expertise of our specialist educators and also to share the excellent facilities such as the park-like grounds, purpose-built playground, library and specialist spaces for Art, Music and Languages.





We are offering:
3-day Program (Monday - Wednesday)
3-day Program (Wednesday - Friday)
5-day Program (Monday - Friday)

Pre-K is for children who are commencing Kindergarten the following year.

Hours: 8.45am – 3.00pm during term time

5 day program p.a. \$18,000 3 day program p.a. \$10,800 \*Pre-K does not attract recurrent Federal Government Funding

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### PRE-KINDERGARTEN FAQS

#### What is the Oxley Pre-K Curriculum?

The Oxley College Pre-K program focuses on preparing students for school life and Kindergarten (Early Stage 1) outcomes. It will be run by a qualified teacher and a teacher's aide (if numbers require). Oxley Pre-K It is more than a school readiness program and aims to provide a seamless pathway to kindergarten and solid foundations for each child's learning journey

Oxley's Pre-K program is different to an Early Learning Centre that operates within ACECQA guidelines, that attracts recurrent Government funding. A Pre-K program allows for greater flexibility within the curriculum, focusing on Early Stage 1 outcomes rather than the broad outcomes required by the ACECQA guidelines that operate in an Early Learning Centre.

The Pre-K teacher will be supported by Junior School Specialist teachers in Languages, Music, Visual Art, PE and Library (K-12). PE will take place in a K-12 specialist sport facility.

In literacy, there will be a PreLit program which will operate daily. PreLit is a precursor to InitiaLit in Kindergarten and is an evidence-based program designed for Preschool children in the year before formal schooling begins, with a focus on laying a sound foundation for children to learn to read. PreLit focuses on phonological awareness and oral language development through structured storybook reading. The InitiaLit literacy program continues in Kindergarten through to Year 2 with the InitiaLit program which provides all children with the essential core knowledge and strong foundations to become successful readers and writers.

Pre-K Maths will take place daily and links into the Stage I curriculum. Maths investigations will be 'hands on' while complimenting the literacy and inquiry programs. The program will be play-based but will focus on school readiness.

Pre-K will also include programs like Smiling Minds, which builds mental health and resilience.

There will be an intergenerational focus linking our established program with Harbison Aged Care to our Pre-K students. There will also be a buddy program with our older Junior School students.

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#### What skills would be required prior to starting Pre-K?

There are no prior skills required, however, they would need to be able to socially cope with the program with things like toileting independently and separation from parents.

#### What are the terms for the Pre-K school year?

The Pre -K program will follow the same dates for the rest of the College. Please see link on website for details: <u>Term-Dates-2024-Parents.pdf</u> (<u>oxley.nsw.edu.au</u>)

# How does the three day/five day program work with an overlap on Wednesday?

The five-day program will overlap the two three-day programs. The number of students in the room each day will be approximately 20. The overlap day – Wednesday – will operate with the use of Oxley's Junior School Specialist teachers in Visual Art, Music, Languages, Library and PE.

#### What are the staffing ratios and qualifications?

We will have a ratio of 1:11. With the first staff member being a fully qualified Primary School Teacher (capable of teaching Kindergarten or greater). The second staff member will be a teacher's aide.

#### Would a uniform be required?

Pre-K students will wear a modified Sport uniform.

#### What would the annual fees be for Pre-K?

Five day program p.a. \$18,000 Three day program p.a. \$10,800

#### Pre-K School Hours

Pre-K will operate with similar school hours to the Junior School ie 8.45am – 3.00pm. There is a separate Oxley College Afterschool Care program Monday-Friday until 6.00pm.

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