

What to Expect on Day One in Year One

- 1 Please NAME EVERYTHING including individual pencils, sharpeners, folders, books etc. Each child will use their own equipment.
- 2 Unpack your stationery order from the box and remove plastic wrapping off books, art shirts etc before bringing them to the classroom.
- 3 We will open the classroom door at 8:30am on the first day. You are welcome to come in to help settle your child as they reconnect with their friends. We do kindly ask for you to try to leave when the bell rings at 8:45am.
- 4 Leave promptly. Smile, have a quick hug, wave and leave your child to it is the best approach you can take. If you see tears, they will be fine in minutes if you don't make a fuss. Go have a nice cup of tea or coffee and relax. We promise to contact you if necessary.
- 5 Please be aware the number of adults in the classroom can be stressful to some students. We encourage everyone to keep calm, use quiet voices and have lots of positivity.
- 6 Often there will only be one classroom teacher in Year One. Throughout the week, children will attend Art, Music, Phys. Ed. and Digital Technology lessons with our specialist teachers.

To communicate messages, teachers will use Connect, so please see the Office if you are not part of the community and check regularly. If you need to speak with the teacher specifically about your child, it is recommended you email them directly to set up a time to meet. Before school can be a busy time to chat while we help the children get organised for their day. Email addresses will be given at the Meet & Greet session in 2025.
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- 8 No hat, play in the shade. Bucket hats must stay in their bags, even in winter months.
- 9 After school, please be on time at 2:55pm to pick your child up from their classroom. Greeting them with a healthy snack can keep their spirits up to make their way home.
- 10 Get into a habit of 'Tell me 3 amazing things that happened to you today' and make a big deal about the great things they are doing.
- 11 Your child will be extra tired in the first few weeks of school. Be patient with them and prepared for some bigger emotions than they may normally display. Once they adjust to their new routines, they will be fine.
- 12 Keep after school activities and tuition to a minimum in Term One as your child will need time to relax and unwind. Extra sleep will be beneficial to everyone.

- Friday sessions in the Year One classrooms to become familiar with the routines and expectations of being a Year One student.
- A walking tour of A Block to learn where they will eat, play, go to the toilet, etc.
- Buddy activities with current Year One students
- Eat lunches at A Block
- Extended playtime on the playgrounds

- Should you have any concerns regarding your child for their upcoming transition, please contact your current teacher, or Kate Brennan (Transition & Engagement Coordinator)
kate.brennan@education.wa.edu.au
- Even small things are better when handled early. It is our aim to make this new milestone a positive experience for every child at Shelley.

Save the Date: Thursday 6th February 2025 at 3:30pm,
Meet & Greet with your Year One teacher.

- Always talk about going to school in a positive way.
- Starting **Year One** is an exciting milestone, so let's get them feeling prepared.
- They are going to have a great time!

