

Shell Cove Public School

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KINDERGARTEN 2025 – Dates and Information

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are happy to provide you with the information below.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT CLASS VISIT

Your child is invited to create some fun Christmas craft with their potential class for 2025! Bring your child to the Hall on **Thursday, 5 December 2025 at 9:15am**. The Kindergarten teachers will then bring your child to their classroom for some Christmas fun. You can meet your child back at the COLA at 10:30am.

Students will receive their Best Start appointment invite on this day. The appointment information will also be emailed to you.

NOTE: If your family doesn't celebrate Christmas, please let us know and we will arrange an alternate activity for your child.

BEST START APPOINTMENT

All Kindergarten students in NSW are assessed using the Best Start initiative upon entering Kindergarten. Teachers at Shell Cove Public School administer the assessment with each student individually. The assessment provides a snapshot of the skills and knowledge each child has and informs the class teacher to plan and implement teaching strategies to cater to the needs of the students.

The Best Start appointments will take place between **Thursday, 6 February and Tuesday, 11 February 2025**. These appointments will take approximately 45 minutes. (Note: Friday, 31 January to Wednesday, 5 February 2024 are Staff Development Days and students do not attend school on these days).

We ask that you bring your child to the Kindergarten room listed on your invitation and wait for the class teacher outside the classroom. To avoid noise outside the classrooms where older grades are learning, please wait for your child to complete their assessment and then take them home as soon as they are finished. Your child does not have to wear their school uniform or bring a bag for their appointment.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL ONLY

All Kindergarten students at Shell Cove Public School will formally start school on **Wednesday, 12 February 2025 at 9:00am**. For the first week of school, Kindergarten students will begin class at 9:00am and finish at 1:30pm.

On the first day, please take your child to the Hall/COLA area to meet with the Kindergarten team.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to Shell Cove Public School in 2025!

Kind regards,
Kindergarten Teachers

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IMPORTANT DATES	
Thursday 5 December 2024 9:15am to 10:30am	CHRISTMAS CRAFT <ul style="list-style-type: none">9:15am - Drop your child off in the COLA10:30am - Pick them up from the COLA
Thursday to Tuesday 6-11 February 2025	BEST START APPOINTMENTS Bring your child to the room listed on your Best Start invitation <u>NOTE:</u> 31 January to 5 February 2025 are Staff Development Days
Wednesday 12 February 2025	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL <ul style="list-style-type: none">8:45am - Please meet in the Hall/COLA area. Students will begin class at 9:00am9:00am to 10:00am - Morning tea for Kindergarten parents in the hall1:30pm - Please collect your child from the Hall/COLA area
Thursday to Friday 13-14 February 2025	FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL Thursday <ul style="list-style-type: none">8:55am - Students line up outside of their classroom1:30pm - Please collect your child from the Hall/COLA area. Friday <ul style="list-style-type: none">8:55am - Students say goodbye to parents/carers outside of the gates and walk to the COLA until it is time for class. Students then walk to their classroom with a friend from the COLA and line up outside of their classroom.1:30pm - Meet your child at their classroom, meet the teacher and check out their amazing room. <u>NOTE:</u> Students are allowed to arrive at school from 8:30am.
Monday to Friday 17-21 February 2025	SECOND WEEK OF SCHOOL Students will begin attending normal school hours this week. <ul style="list-style-type: none">8:55am - Students walk to their classroom with a friend from the COLA and line up outside of their classroom.3:00pm - Please collect your child from the COLA.

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