

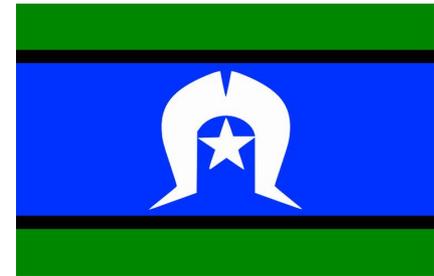
Foundation 2022 Information Session

**Footscray City Primary School
Monday 6th December 2021**

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, the **Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung** and **Bunurong** peoples of the **Kulin Nation**, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Aboriginal people have a deep and continuous connection to the Maribyrnong River valley for at least 40,000 years and we acknowledge this rich history of community and of storytelling.



Introducing our 2022 Foundation Professional Learning Team



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Our Mission, Vision and Values

We are future making for every child so that they are learning to *learn*, learning to *thrive* and learning to *contribute*.

Our students will possess the *skills, knowledge* and ways of *thinking* that enable them to *embrace learning, respond to challenges* and thrive as *active members* of the community.

At Footscray City Primary School we are a diverse and inclusive **COMMUNITY** who value

- ▶ Taking **RESPONSIBILITY** for our learning and our impact on our selves, others and our environment.
- ▶ Thinking and acting with **KINDNESS** which means we are friendly towards others and considerate of their feelings.
- ▶ Demonstrating **RESILIENCE** by persisting and being courageous when faced with challenges in our learning and relationships.

Term Dates

Term 1	Monday 31st January to Friday 8th April
Term 2	Tuesday 26th April to Friday 24th June
Term 3	Monday 11th July to Friday 16th September
Term 4	Monday 3rd October to Tuesday 20th December



Important Dates

Prep English Online and Maths Online Assessment Interviews	
Week 1	Wednesday 2nd January
Week 2	Wednesday 9th February
Week 3	Wednesday 16th February
Week 4	Wednesday 23rd February

- Students do not attend school for the first 4 Wednesdays.
- Students will be required to attend a one hour 1:1 session with their teacher on one of the Wednesdays to complete the Assessment Interview
- Parents are not required to attend the Assessment Interviews.

School Readiness

What are the building blocks necessary to develop school readiness?

What is 'school readiness'?

'School readiness' is a measure of the knowledge, skills and behaviours that enable children to participate and succeed in school. The following are the main areas that are addressed to see if your child is ready for school:

- Social Skills
- Independence Skills
- Communication Skills
- Fine Motor and Cognitive Skills
- Gross Motor and Orientation Skills

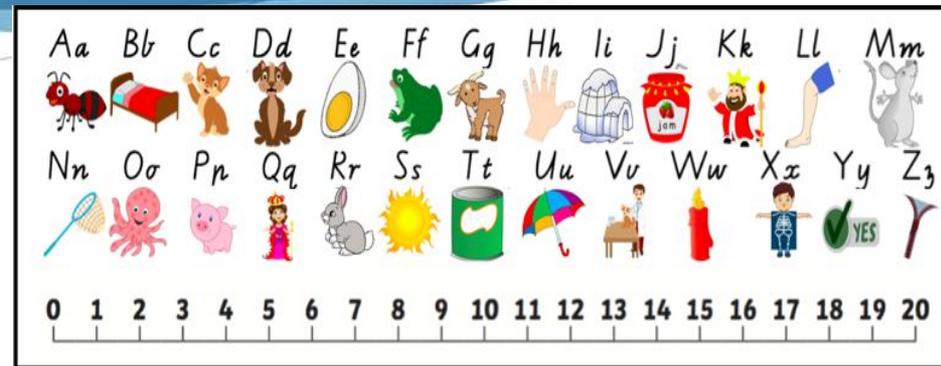
There is a checklist at the end of this presentation for you to refer too if you would like to see these skills in more detail.



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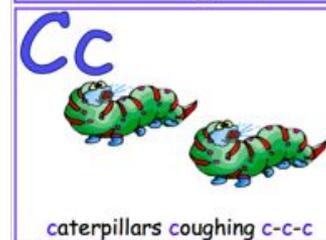
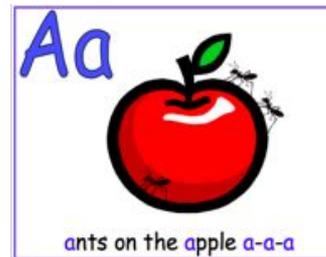
Alphabet strip with a number line to 20

- Your child might be able to identify some of the letters and the sounds they make. They may find the letters that make their name. They may also identify the pictures that match the letters.
- Your child can use the number line to orally count to 20 and may also identify the different numbers on the number line when asked.



Ants on the apple aaa

- This is a little song that your child can sing that will help them to identify the most common sound each letter makes, as well as supporting them to identify words that begin with each letter.
- It is a fantastic opportunity for students to learn the common sounds through singing and will help them to build their phonological awareness (ability to hear sounds in words).
- You could also play I Spy with the letters. E.g. I spy something that begins with the /b/ sound.



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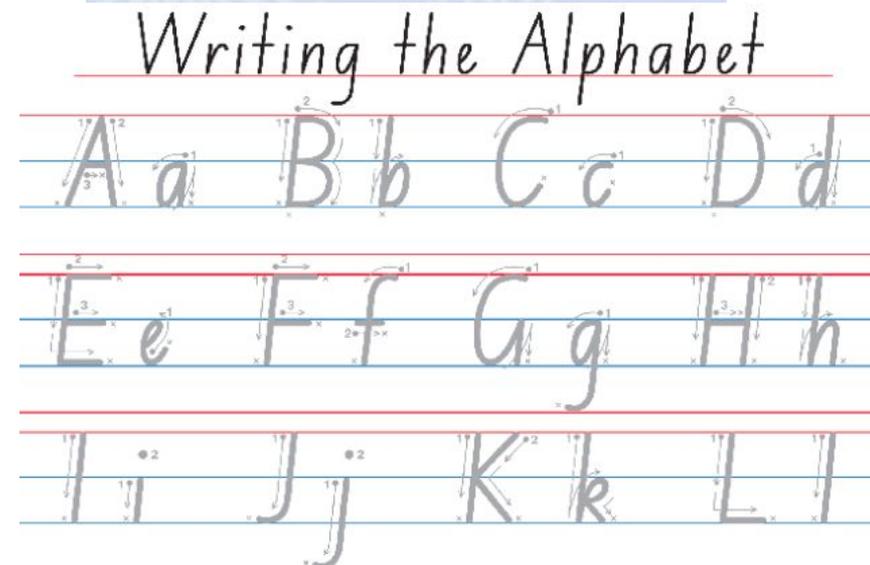
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41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
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61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

100s Chart

- This can be used to support your child to count and identify numbers within a sequence.
- You could play games using the chart. E.g. Race to 20. Roll a dice and move your counters along the chart and whoever gets to 20 first wins. You could also play Guess My Number and your child can ask clues about what your number is. E.g. Is it bigger than 5?

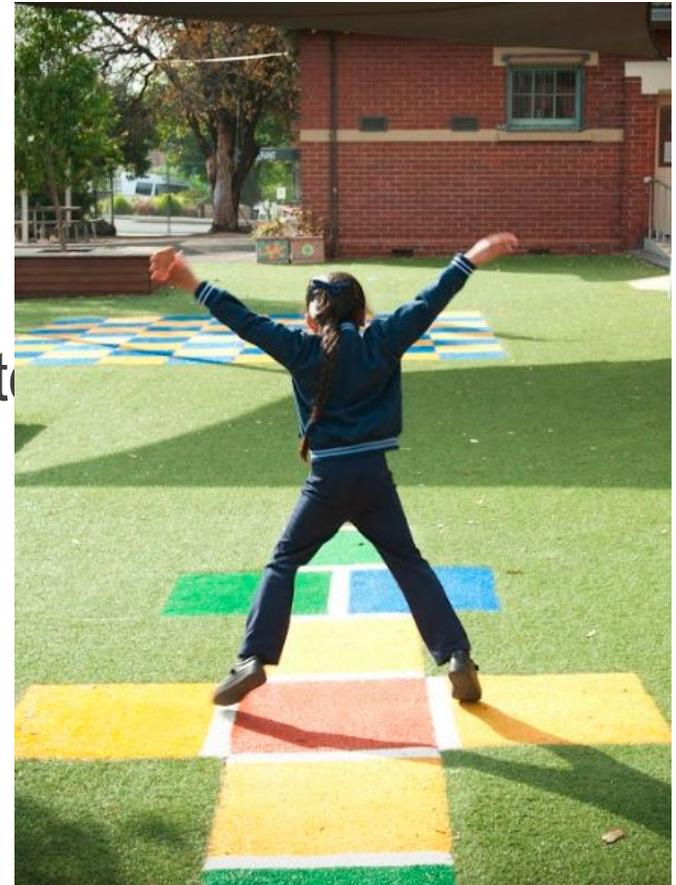
Writing the alphabet

- Your child can use this to practise writing letters. They could place a piece of paper over the letters and trace them. They may find the letters within their name and copy them. They might like to use playdough to make different letters they can see in the alphabet or try copying them in chalk or sand.



Communication at FCPS

- 💧 Compass
 - 💧 Whole school information
 - 💧 Weekly learning overviews
 - 💧 Book Prep Entry Assessment Int
 - 💧 Reports
 - 💧 Absences
- 💧 School Website



School Nursing Program

-  A School Nurse visits the school annually to carry out vision, hearing and general health screenings for Prep students.
-  Information regarding this service and the timing of the visit will be provided next year.
-  The visit generally occurs late in Term 2 or early Term 3.

Out of School Hours Care Program:

- 💧 FCPS offers Before and After School Care which is run onsite by Camp Australia.
- 💧 Before School Care operates 7am to 9am each morning.
- 💧 After School Care runs from 3.30pm to 6pm daily.
- 💧 Our Prep's are known as VIP's...and will be treated as Very Important Prep's!

School uniform

-  Uniform is compulsory at Footscray City Primary School. Our uniform is available for purchase from PSW, either online or from their Deer Park store.
-  Parents may choose to purchase non logo items from elsewhere but should adhere to the navy blue theme.
-  Please label all of your children's clothing very clearly
-  We are a sunsmart school and we implement a 'no hat no play' policy' in Term 1 and 4. Hats can be purchased at the front office or through PSW.
-  Students can wear runners or school shoes. Open-toed shoes are not permitted.

Second Hand Uniform Store

-  On most Friday afternoons a second hand uniform stall is open from around 3:30pm to 4:15pm and is located near the gymnasium. Most items are \$5 or \$10.
-  Donations of clean items of uniform in good condition may be left at the office or dropped in at the stall on Friday afternoon.
-  The money raised from the sale of second hand uniform goes into our Student Engagement and Wellbeing fund.

Lunch orders

Lunch Orders are available on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. These need to be completed online before 9am on the day through Munch Monitor <https://www.munchmonitor.com/>

How to order

Munchmonitor is our online ordering platform.

Once your child's class has been assigned in January , you can set up your account.

Head to www.munchmonitor.com

Logon

Register

School ID: fcps

Password: munch3011



Additional Resources

Department of Education and Training Victoria Links:

[Tips for starting school](#)

[How to build your child's literacy skills from birth to year 2](#)

[How to build your child's numeracy skills from birth to year 2](#)

[Science, technology, engineering and mathematics \(STEM\) skills](#)

[KidsMatter: Strategies for starting school](#)

[Raising Children Network: Starting school](#)

[FUSE: Ideas and activities to share with your child](#)

[A Healthy Start to School](#)

[School Readiness Checklist Kids First:](#)

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/56c8fd562ef58b9a204fdac50/files/School_readiness_checklist_final.pdf

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Thank you

Thank you for your time and collaboration.

We are looking forward to 2022 and beyond!

