

Organisation and School Readiness



Some Differences Between Kindergarten and School

- Specialists: Performing Arts, Visual Arts, LOTE- Japanese and Sport
- Assembly- Monday Morning 9.15-9.45am
- Excursions and Incursions
- Swimming Program
- Cross Country and Mini Athletics



At School we have Buddies



At School we have lots of Friends



At School we have iPads



At School we have a Friendship Tree



Preparing For School

- Read picture books about starting school and making friends
- Develop consistent bedtime and morning routines
- Ask your child to organise their things when heading out of the house, e.g. packing their favourite toys, lunchbox, jumper, etc.
- Organise visits to Malvern Central School, so your child can familiarise themselves with the school grounds
- Join the 'Welcome to our School' Buddy program to ease your child into school life and ease any worries you may have.



Organisation

- Encourage children to dress themselves in their uniform a few days before school starts
- Velcro shoes are encouraged
- Label uniform - name and a symbol. You may like to have a spare hat in your child's school bag.
- When school starts show your child where you will pick them up. Your child will exit with their home group teacher through the doors at the front of the school.



Organisation

Encourage independence from the beginning...



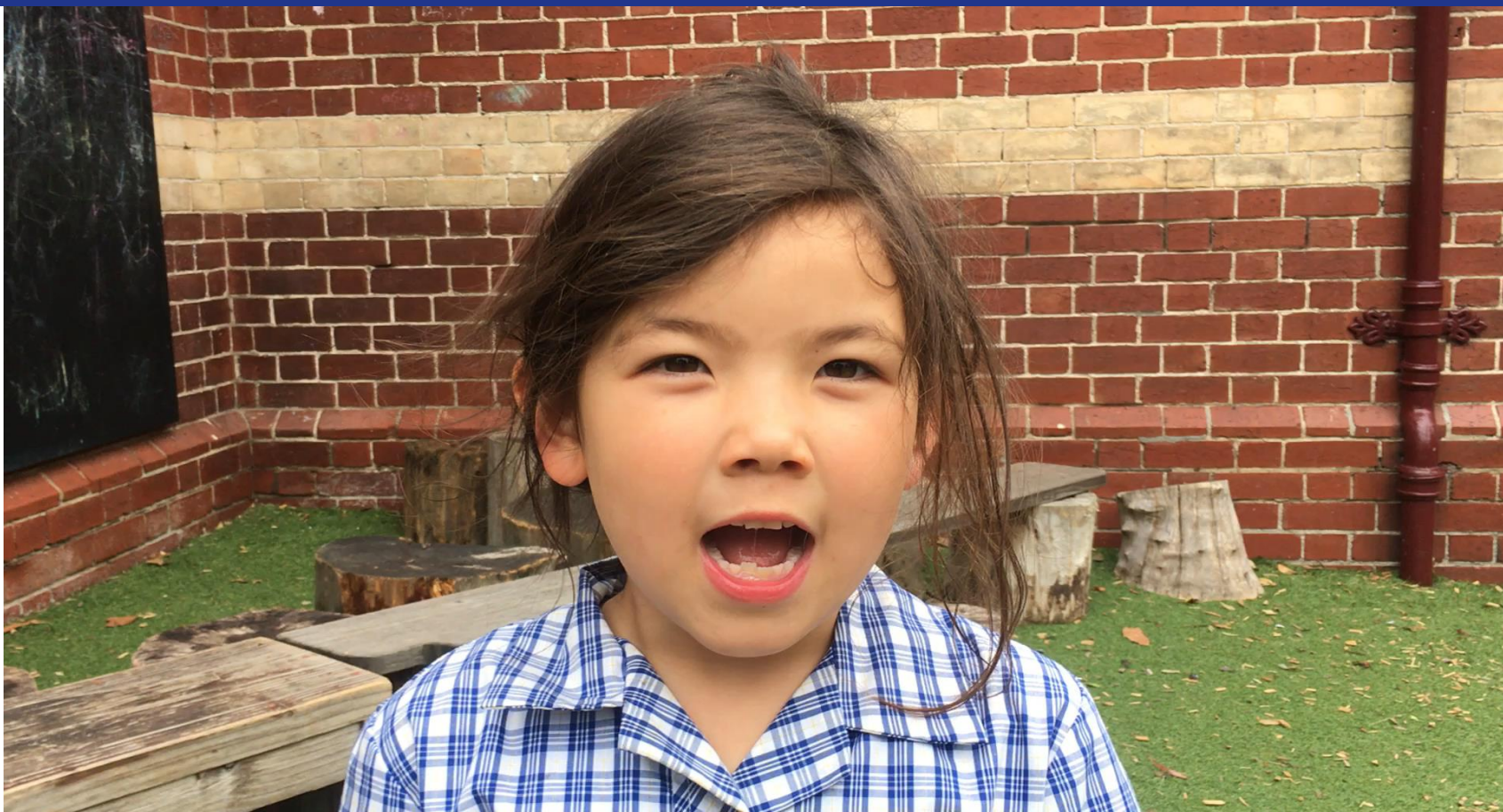
- Name and put a tag or toy on their bag, so they can identify it.
- Have your child practise packing their bag - they should have a spot for their hat, jumper and lunchbox.
- Choose a lunchbox and drink bottle they can open. Get your child to practise opening their lunchbox.
- Explain where to find their: snack, fruit snack and lunch.

Toileting

- Ensure children can use the toilets independently and can wash their hands using the taps and soap
- Pack a spare pair of underwear and socks in a plastic bag and keep it in their school bag
- Children go to the toilet as a group at the beginning and then in pairs
- Please encourage them to practise asking to go to the toilet, as they need to ask their teacher.



“Don’t Worry about making Friends”



“Don’t worry about missing Mum
and Dad”



“Don’t worry about making mistakes”



Thank-you

