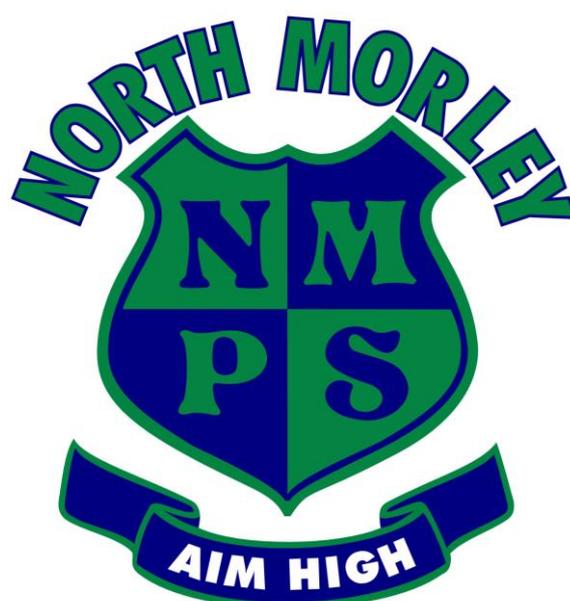


**NORTH MORLEY
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Independent Public School



2020

**PARENT INFORMATION
HANDBOOK**

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NORTH MORLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Welcome

North Morley Primary School has a strong tradition of providing an educational environment that promotes academic excellence, the arts and physical education in an environment of respect for self and others.

We have an experienced and dedicated staff who work together with parents to provide learning programs that reflect the individual needs of students. We provide a stimulating and caring environment which enables our students to develop to their potential. The development of knowledge, skills and values in the social, physical and intellectual domains ensures that a balanced curriculum is provided and that education is about the whole child and putting children first.

North Morley Primary School is a proactive and supportive school. We provide a range of incentive programs for students and balance this with a code of conduct and behaviour management program. The result is a happy, safe and positive working environment.

Students wear their school uniform with pride, to help develop a sense of belonging. Our school has a strong supportive community feel about it, which is so important in the education and the health and well-being of children. Please visit us and see for yourself.

This booklet is intended to provide a background of information for students entering the school, or on transfer from other schools or countries.

Ms Lisa Gibson

Principal

Vision Statement

At North Morley Primary School, we believe learning is a life long journey.

Our staff work with students and parents to create a holistic safe environment for each child to feel valued and become socially responsible citizens. We strive to develop resilience and confidence in everyone.

We encourage all learners and staff to become engaged, innovative and creative thinkers who set goals and strive to be challenged.

We believe in a culture of high expectations, developed through our **SPORT** philosophy:

S – SAFE

P – POSITIVE

O - ORGANISED

R – RESPECTFUL

T – TOLERANT

We believe this will equip students to take ownership of their own learning to become resourceful, successful citizens who aim high to reach their full potential.



2020 TERM DATES FOR STUDENTS

TERM 1	MONDAY 3 FEBRUARY	-	THURSDAY 9 APRIL
TERM 1 BREAK	SATURDAY 11 APRIL	-	SUNDAY 26 APRIL
TERM 2	WEDNESDAY 29 APRIL	-	FRIDAY 3 JULY
TERM 2 BREAK	SATURDAY 4 JULY	-	SUNDAY 19 JULY
TERM 3	TUESDAY 21 JULY	-	FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER
TERM 3 BREAK	SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER	-	SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER
TERM 4	TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER	-	THURSDAY 17 DECEMBER

Any alterations to the above dates will be advised through the school newsletter.

CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

Public Holidays:

Labour Day Monday 4 March
 Easter and Anzac day are during Term 1 Break.
 WA Day Monday 3 June.

School Development Days:

Tuesday 28 April
 Monday 20 July
 Monday 12 October
 Friday 18 December

SCHOOL HOURS

The school operates for 310 minutes per day and teaching sessions are arranged between the hours of 8.50am and 3.00pm. The first siren will sound at 8:40am, signalling students to make their way to their classrooms. A second siren will sound at 8:50am signalling the beginning of the school day.

After each recess, children are expected to respond promptly and line up for entry into the classroom.

Parents are requested **not to send their children to school before 8:30am.**

SCHOOL TIME

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Lessons commence	8.50am	8.50am	8.50am	8.50am	8.50am
Recess	11.00am	11.00am	11.00am	11.00am	11.00am
Lessons commence	11.20am	11.20am	11.20am	11.20am	11.20am
Lunch	12.50pm	12.50pm	12.50pm	12.50pm	12.50pm
Lessons commence	1.25pm	1.25pm	1.25pm	1.25pm	1.25pm
Lessons cease	3.00pm	2.35pm	3.00pm	3.00pm	3.00pm
		Early Close			

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Under the Department of Education Regulations, the only acceptable reasons for absence from school are illness and medical appointments that cannot be made out of school hours, or approved withdrawal classes, such as PEAC and music tuition. You can use the North Morley Primary School Smartlink App for absentee notification.

ACCIDENT OR ILLNESS

In the event of children becoming ill during the day, or suffering a serious injury, parents will be notified and asked to make arrangements for their care. In extreme emergencies, when parents cannot be contacted, the child may be taken to a hospital via ambulance for treatment. Payment for such treatment will be the parents' responsibility.

It is important that the school is notified of any change of address, telephone number or emergency contact person to avoid discomfort or danger to the child caused by delays in obtaining treatment. **Children who are obviously ill before school should not attend.**

ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL

North Morley Primary is an allergy aware school. We have a "no nut" policy in place, as several students have life threatening allergies to nut products. If your child brings food to school containing nuts you will be asked to save these for home consumption and to provide alternative food for your child. We ask for your support in ensuring children have "allergy free" items only in their lunchbox.

ASSEMBLY

An assembly is held fortnightly on Friday mornings of weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 (for confirmation of weeks please refer to the Term Planner as days may vary), commencing at **9:00am**. Assemblies foster the school spirit and enable parents the opportunity to observe their children. Merit Awards and certificates are presented as incentives for children, and parents are informed of the recipients by newsletter so that they can attend if possible. **Parents and friends are welcome to attend at any time.**

Any changes / cancellations of Assemblies are announced in the School Newsletter.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Enrolment in onsite Outside School Hours Care is available for all students of North Morley Primary School. Information can be collected from the school office. After School Care begins at the end of the school day to 6.00pm

BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT

Positive Behaviour Support (PBS)

Students in our school come from many different backgrounds and cultures that view 'behaviour' differently thus we cannot *assume* that students know how to behave appropriately when at school. This results in some of our students making poor choices when confronted with conflict. Accordingly, we endeavour to teach our students how to behave at school to ensure that they do make better choices. PBS views inappropriate behaviour in the same manner that problems in reading or mathematics are viewed as a skill deficit. When a skill deficit exists, we teach the appropriate skill.

We aim to ensure that our school has a safe and orderly learning environment. We expect high standards of behaviour, and teach the students how to achieve this. We aim for consistency across staff in the approach taken, a clear code of conduct and acknowledgment that student behaviour is a shared responsibility between school and home.



BICYCLE USE

No skateboards, sliders or rip sticks are to be ridden to school.

In accordance with Road Safety Council recommendations, the riding of bicycles to school is restricted to children in Year 4 and above unless under adult supervision. Parents are asked to ensure that children are aware of basic road rules, can ride efficiently and have a roadworthy bicycle with effective brakes. When approaching the school where the Crosswalk Attendants are on duty, children should get off their bicycles, walk them across the road under supervision and walk the bicycle through the school grounds to the bicycle racks. Under state law, bike helmets are compulsory.

A secure, locked bike area is provided for the parking of bicycles, however, parents are encouraged to provide a lock / chain for their child's bicycle together with some form of identification. The Department of Education does not provide insurance cover for student's bicycles parked on school property. Bikes parked on school grounds are done so at the owners' risk.

BOOKCLUB

Throughout the year book club brochures and order forms are given out for Scholastic Bookclub. Interested children can then choose books with their parents and return payment and the forms to the school by a pre-determined date. Parents please note – all cheques are to be made payable to Scholastic Australia.

CANTEEN

The canteen is run by the P&C with assistance from parent volunteers – opening times to be advised.

CHARGES

Throughout the year your child/ren may be involved in excursions/incursions etc. for which a charge is required. When this occurs a note will be sent home requesting payment. The total of all of these activities will not exceed the amount as stated on the Charges sheet sent home to families at the end of the previous year. A copy of the charges is available at the office, and on our website.

COMMUNICATION

Connect

Connect is a Department of Education approved system that allows teachers, students, parents and admin staff to share notices, post assignments, view attendance and discuss classes in a secure manner. It is available on all web devices at connect.det.wa.edu.au. or through the Connect App. Students will have a Connect account created for them at enrolment. Students reports are posted to their families Connect account at the end of each semester.

Newsletter

As this is our communication lifeline with parents, we urge you to take the time to read the newsletter each week. It is available via the North Morley Primary School Phone App, North Morley Primary School P&C Facebook page and the website.

- Events of interest
- Excursions
- Sports results
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Smartlink App

The school has a free app called *The Smartlink* that is available for download from the App Store. Search; *North Morley Primary School*.

The P & C also run a closed Facebook page called 'North Morley Primary School P&C' where you will find useful information and photos of school events.

CROSSWALK ATTENDANTS

An attendant is on duty each school day for an hour in the morning and an hour in the afternoon, covering the school starting and closing times, approximately 8.00am to 9.00am and 3.00pm to 4.00pm. On Tuesdays for Early Closure the attendant is on duty from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. Children **AND** adults must obey directions from the Attendant, crossing only when signalled and should use the crosswalk when crossing Gordon Road near the main school entrance. Attendants act under the authority of the Police Department and can take action against pedestrians or motorists while the crossings are manned.

DENTAL CLINIC

The clinic is situated at the Camboon Primary School, telephone number 9276 2488. All children enrolled at the school are called up periodically for checks and treatment unless the parent wishes to use private dental services.

DOGS

Parents are reminded to make every effort to avoid family pets following children to school. Any dogs on school grounds will be reported to the Ranger. Parents must **NOT** bring dogs to school when picking up or dropping off their children, or at school events whether on a leash or not.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN

The school has an evacuation plan in case of fire, earthquake or other emergency. Parents are advised that practice will occur to ensure all students are aware of the school's evacuation procedures and processes.

ENROLMENT INFORMATION

It is extremely important that information is updated regularly. Of particular importance are telephone numbers of parents' work, emergency numbers and student medical conditions.

FACTIONS

Three factions operate for athletics competitions. They are **STIRLING (Red)**, **NARDOO (Blue)** and **MERCURY (Green)**. Younger brothers and sisters will be allocated to the faction of older brothers and sisters if they still attend North Morley. New families will be allocated to maintain a numeric balance in each age group.

The same factions are also involved in a continuing competition based on classroom performance and other school activities. Captains and Vice-Captains will be elected for each faction to assist in the supervision of sporting practices and events.

FUNDRAISING

During the year, the school and P&C are involved in fundraising activities. Some activities that may occur include – Entertainment Books, Sausage Sizzles and cake stalls. Money raised goes towards providing additional resources and equipment to the school – which benefits all children. Your support is appreciated.

HAT POLICY

The school has a “no hat, shade play” policy, in that all students are required to wear hats, all year for outside play. Children without hats are restricted to the undercover areas. Caps are not acceptable. The hat must have a wide brim. Hats are available to purchase from the Uniform Shop.

HEAD LICE

Parents are asked to check their child’s hair weekly. Exclude your child until hair is treated and lice removed.

It is the parent’s responsibility to inform the school if their child has head lice; treat the child’s hair immediately and to check regularly for further outbreaks.

If a child is found to have head lice whilst at school, parents will be contacted. Once treatment has been given the child can return to school.

We request your vigilance in treating head lice.

HEALTH EDUCATION

Health Education operates in all classes. Part of the program for years 5 and 6 is Growth and Development. Parents will be notified when this will take place and have the opportunity to discuss the program with the classroom teacher. Components of the program may be introduced by the School Nurse.

HOMEWORK

Children should be encouraged to accept responsibility for completing school work and developing sound study habits. Parent help is of great value in setting aside a regular home study time and providing an atmosphere conducive to completing, revising, practising or researching school subjects.

Homework may include:

- Unfinished class assignments
- Oral reading with parent or older sibling
- Study of current spelling words
- Project work, wider reading and fact finding
- Self drilling number facts
- Quiet reading of a library book



At the beginning of each year there is a teacher / parent class meeting where the teacher will present homework expectations for the year level.

ILLNESSES / INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Listed below are some of the common childhood complaints encountered at school. Please note that exclusion periods apply unless varied by medical advice and treatment. As a general rule, parents should ensure that children are well before returning them to school.

CHICKEN POX	Exclude until all vesicles have crusted.
CONJUNCTIVITIS	Exclude until discharge from eye has ceased.
DIARRHOEA	Exclude until diarrhoea has ceased for 24 hours.

HAND, FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE	Exclude until vesicles have crusted / dry.
HEPATITIS A	Exclude until 14 days after onset of illness or 7 days after jaundice appears.
IMPETIGO (School Sores)	Exclude until antibiotic treatment has commenced. Lesions on exposed skin surfaces should be covered with a water proof dressing. Young children unable to comply with good hygiene practice should be excluded until sores are dry.
INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESSES	Re-admit on recovery
MEASLES	Exclude for 4 days after the onset of the rash.
MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION	Exclude until after treatment completed.
MUMPS	Exclude for 9 days after the onset of symptoms.
PARVOVIRUS (Slap cheek)	No exclusion from school, as the virus is only contagious before the rash appears.
RINGWORM, SCABIES, PEDICULOSIS (Lice) and TRACHOMA	Exclude until person has received antifungal treatment for 24 hours. For head lice exclude until hair is treated and lice removed. For scabies and trachoma exclude until person has received treatment.
RUBELLA (German Measles)	Exclude for 4 days after onset of rash.
STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTION (Scarlet Fever)	Exclude until person has received antibiotic for 24 hours.
WHOOPING COUGH	Exclude until 5 days after an appropriate antibiotic treatment or for 21 days from the onset of coughing.
WORMS	Exclude until diarrhoea has ceased.

Information in this table was produced by Prevention and control Program, Department of Health 2015.

IMMUNISATION

On enrolment in Kindergarten, a child must now have either:

- An Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) Immunisation History Statement no more than 2 months old with a status of 'up to date'; OR
- An AIR Immunisation History Form, no more than six months old, if the child is on a catch up schedule; OR
- A valid immunisation certificate issued or declared by the Chief Health Officer.

INSTRUMENTAL TUITION

In Year 5, children will be tested for musical aptitude and, according to the results, offered placement in instrumental tuition group for Year 6. Classes are conducted at North Morley Primary School or neighbouring schools, transport being a parental responsibility.

No charge is made for tuition; however, families are required to supply instruments for their child.

LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTRE

The Library Resource Centre is open to students on Tuesdays and Fridays. The students borrow books during their class library session. The library is also open during lunch on these days for students to use.

<p>Overdue items are dealt with by the following means</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Overdue slip to child involved. 2 Overdue letter to child requesting return. 3 Letter to parents requesting return or payment. 4 Invoice for amount of lost book(s). 	<p>Children may borrow different numbers of books depending on year level</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>Kindy</td> <td>1 loan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pre-Primary</td> <td>1 loan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 1 -</td> <td>1 loan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Years 2 – 4</td> <td>2 loans</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Years 5 – 6</td> <td>3 loans</td> </tr> </table> <p>(Alterations to these figures can be made for special circumstances)</p>	Kindy	1 loan	Pre-Primary	1 loan	Year 1 -	1 loan	Years 2 – 4	2 loans	Years 5 – 6	3 loans
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Each child should have a library bag to protect library materials while in school bag (from food, drinks etc)

North Morley Library is a well stocked library and children are encouraged to read and use the library to suit their needs. Any parents interested in helping on a regular or casual basis, please contact the Library Officer. There are many tasks to do and any help is always greatly appreciated.

LOCAL EXCURSIONS

From time to time excursions and visits will be arranged by teachers or the school. Parents will be notified of all details and are required to complete a permission slip for their child to participate. All excursions and visits are run on a self-supporting basis; the costs being kept to a minimum. Entry costs have to be met and sometimes buses have to be hired, or private transport will be used. However, bus transport, whether with private or public, forms a major part of the overall cost.

LOST PROPERTY / CLOTHING

Any items that have lost their owners are found in the front entry to the After School Care. Parents are asked to help us to locate owners by ensuring **all** clothing is named clearly. Unnamed items not claimed after a reasonable period of time will either be washed, ironed and kept for second hand selling in the Uniform Shop, or given to a charity.

LOTE (Languages Other Than English) CLASSES - ITALIAN

Students participate in learning a Language other than English. Instruction will be given for two half hours per week. Apart from the language itself, children are given a considerable amount of information about the country and its customs, which promotes awareness of another culture.



LUNCH ARRANGEMENTS

All students will sit in the undercover area for the 10-minute eating session, supervised by Duty Teachers. When the bell rings they will put up their hand to indicate that they have finished eating and will be dismissed individually by Duty Teachers. Rubbish is to be placed in the bins provided as students leave the area and go to play.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Medical conditions must be written on the student's enrolment form, or provided to the office at the earliest possible opportunity if the child is already attending North Morley. Details must be kept up to date and updated at the beginning of each school year, or earlier if circumstances change.

Parents of children with serious or life threatening medical conditions must have an Individual Emergency Action Plan to cover any contingency that may occur at school.

MEDICATION

If your child requires medication whilst at school – Medication forms must be completed and the medicine handed to the school office. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure medicines have not expired, as staff will not administer out of date medications.

MOBILE PHONES /SMART DEVICES

The Department of Education does not permit student use of mobile phones in public schools unless for medical or teacher directed educational purposes. We do appreciate that some parent's give their children mobile phones to enable them to contact them *outside* of school hours. Any child bringing a mobile phone to school is required to turn it off and hand it in to the office at the start of the day.

Students are required to switch their smart watches to airplane mode during the school day.



MONEY

If money is required to be brought to school for excursions, book club etc. we request it be placed in an envelope with your child's name, the room number, permission slip and the purpose written on the front. It should then be given to the class teacher. One way of ensuring money doesn't fall out of the envelope is to fold over the flap to half way down the envelope and then peel/seal or press/seal it closed.

NEWSLETTER

We aim to keep you informed and up to date via our weekly **Tuesday** Newsletter. In this newsletter we include

- Events of interest
- Excursions
- Sports results
- Merit Awards
- P&C Information

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PARENT VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

The Voluntary Contributions are within the Department of Education guidelines. This is a cost of \$1.50 per week for resources. While the contributions are voluntary the quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximised when each family makes its contribution. The School Council recently approved the following contributions for students in Kindergarten to Year 6 for 2018 to continue to be \$30 per child per semester (\$60 per year). The School Council has also directed that part payment is an option, but with 50% of the fees to be paid in the first instalment.

PARENT INTERVIEWS

As the school encourages parent involvement in many ways, informal contact with teachers often allows for discussions on children's progress, however, parents should bear in mind that teachers are required to prepare for lessons before school and often use recess and lunch periods for this purpose also. Any discussion entered into in these periods must cease at the commencement of teaching sessions. If parents feel a problem exists, or an uninterrupted discussion is required, they should request an interview by contacting the school office or send a note to the class teacher. An interview will then be

arranged at a time to suit both parties. The Principal reserves the right to sit in on any interview and will do so on request.

PARENT SCHOOL VISITS

Parents who need to contact or collect their children for any reason, **including giving them their lunch, MUST** report to the school office. They will be given an authority notice to give to the class teacher. Parents are not permitted to go to student's bags for any reason, when the student is at school.

Parents must **NOT** bring dogs to school when picking up or dropping off their children, whether on a leash or not. Any dogs on school grounds will be reported to the Ranger.

PARKING

School parking areas are easily congested and should not be used by parents for dropping off, or picking up children as this can create some danger for children when cars are manoeuvring in and out. Parent helpers and those with business to attend to at the school are welcome to use the marked parking bays in areas off Gordon Road and Bunya Street.

"KISS & DRIVE" special bays have been marked where parents can quickly set down or pick up students before and after school in *Bunya Street*. This initiative was set up to help lessen traffic congestion and to make "drop offs" and "pick ups" quicker and hassle free.

The school's parking policy and guidelines are located in the Policy section of this booklet, while the parking map is on the outside back cover.

PARKING AND TRAFFIC MOVEMENT GUIDE

1. Objectives

The aim of this guide is to:

- Raise awareness of the issues relating to the safety of drivers, students, pedestrians and residents within and around North Morley Primary School
- Alleviate pick up / drop off congestion
- Inform all community members of current practices
- Provide ongoing monitoring and review of current practices

2. Rationale

The North Morley Primary School P&C is committed to encouraging road safety practices by all community members in and around the school grounds. Each member of the school community has a role to play to ensure the safety of our students, parents and carers and staff in the road environments

The North Morley Primary School promotes responsible road use values, attitudes and behaviours through:

- Dissemination of information relating to road safety and current school practices
- Assisting and encouraging parents / carers to influence and develop safety awareness skills in their child/children
- Encouraging parent and community participation in road safety

3. School Speed Limits

Parents are reminded that there is a 40km/h speed limit around the school. This restriction is in force from 7.30 - 9.00am and 2.30 - 4.00pm on weekdays. At all other times the speed limit is 50km/h. Adherence to the 40km/h speed limit is vital to making the school environment safer for our children.

4. Current Parking Restrictions

4.1 **Bunya Street** (7:30am - 9:00am and 2:00pm - 4:00pm on school days)

- Kiss and Drive Area - 4 bays adjacent to the no standing area
The Kiss and Drive Area is strictly limited to 2 minute - pick **up and drop off only**
Parents and Carers are asked to remain in their vehicles and move on as quickly as possible
- Parking - 20 Bays (15-minute parking restriction)

4.2 **Whitworth Street** (7:30am - 9:00am and 2:00pm - 4:00pm on school days)

- Parking - 5 bays (15-minute parking restriction)

4.3 **Staff Car Parks and Driveways** (off limits at all times)

Do not enter school parking areas or driveways. Staff parking only.

5. Using the Kiss and Drive Area

Our Kiss and Drive area is in place to provide a quicker and safer operation to set down and pick up children, however your cooperation is needed for it to work.

5.1. Instructions

- Stop in the Kiss and Drive area, using the forward most bay
- Students are to alight or enter the vehicle from the left. In the afternoon children using the bays will be waiting to meet their parents
- Parents/carers must remain within their vehicle
- When children have safely entered or exited the vehicle indicate right and enter traffic flow



5.2. Please remember:

- To move as near to the front of the Kiss and Drive bays as possible.
- That the bays are only to be used for the set down and pick up of students. No parking is permitted in these bays.
- To queue responsibly in Bunya Street, when wishing to use the Kiss and Drive bays. If you can see your child/children are not ready to be picked up use alternative bays or drive on around the block and rejoin the queue.
- It is extremely important that you: **KEEP THE ENGINE RUNNING - APPLY THE HANDBRAKE - STAY IN THE VEHICLE.**

6. Traffic Flow Around the School

When picking up or setting down children, parents are encouraged to travel in an anti-clockwise direction around the school thus creating a voluntary one-directional traffic flow during peak periods. Parents using the parking facilities in Bunya Street are encouraged to use Logan Way and Broomhall Way to leave the school parking area. **Do not do u-turns or use driveways to turn around.** Parents parking in Whitworth Place are encouraged to exit the parking areas using Alexander Drive.

7. Recommendations

1. All parents / carers are asked to read and adhere to the North Morley Primary School Parking Guide.
2. All parents / carers are asked to ensure that any person, other than themselves, dropping off or collecting a child is informed of the North Morley Primary School Parking Guide and associated procedures.
3. Walk or ride to school regularly to help reduce traffic congestion.
4. Use the Kiss and Drive Area for more efficient use of the parking facilities.
5. Remember to slow down to 40km/h in the speed zone around the school.
6. Always be courteous to the traffic warden and follow their advice.
7. Abide by all traffic laws and parking restrictions

REMEMBER: Infringement notices can and will be issued for parking contrary to signage.

PEAC

Each year, children in Year 4 will be given the opportunity to be tested for possible placement in PEAC (Primary Extension and Challenge) which will take place during years 5 and 6. These classes are offered each term and children may select topics in which they are genuinely interested. As they are held in school time, attendance is subject to satisfactory progress in normal class work and on condition that children take steps to catch up on any work missed.

Transport is a parental responsibility, as is the decision for children to participate.

P&C MEETINGS

The Parents and Citizens Association usually meets **three times a term**. All parents are welcome to participate in the meetings and activities which give support to the school.

All meeting dates are on the Term Planner - and any changes etc. are mentioned in the school Newsletter.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AT SCHOOL

Children are discouraged from bringing sporting equipment and valuables to school as the school cannot be responsible for the loss or damage of these items.

RECYCLING

The North Morley Primacy School Community actively works towards helping the environment by recycling. We encourage all families and the community to help in the proper disposal of products by following the action plans we have in place:

- Waste Free Wednesdays: families are encouraged to pack a waste-free lunch box
- Fume Free Fridays: to improve health and reduce pollution by walking or riding to school
- Recycling Hub: for soft plastics, bread tags, batteries and general recycling
- Climate Clever App: to measure, monitor and reduce our school's carbon footprint

REPORTING TO PARENTS

Formal reports are issued at the end of semester 1 (Term 2), and semester 2 (Term 4). The opportunities for a Teacher / Parent interview follow the issue of student reports. If you have concerns during the year, please make an appointment to see the class teacher.

RESOURCE LIST

At the end of each year parents will be provided with a list of stationery items required for classroom use the following year. Parents may purchase these at any store or order them through the stationery provider nominated by the school. Some listed items can be made to last for several years, but other consumable items may need to be replaced during the course of the year.

STUDENT COUNCILLORS

School Councillors are elected each year. They hold a prestigious position in the school. Councillors are expected to set a high standard of behaviour and dress, especially in regards to wearing the school uniform for assemblies and excursions.

SCHOOL NURSE

Regular checks are made on children's health at various stages during the year. The nurse also attends on a needs basis.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Class and individual school photos are taken each year.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

The school has access to a psychologist provided by the Department of Education. Parents who have concerns about their child's performance may refer their child to the psychologist following discussions with the class teacher, and a Case Management Meeting with the Deputy and teacher.

SPORTING EQUIPMENT

No equipment may be used before or after school. Children are not allowed to bring equipment / toys from home.

SWIMMING CLASSES

In-Term Swimming Lessons are offered to ALL children in Pre Primary to Year 6. There is no charge for tuition, however parents are expected to pay for pool entry and the cost of bus hire. Qualified swimming instructors are provided by the Department of Education. Due to the need to provide supervision on the buses and at the pools, it is essential that most children attend these lessons. Water safety is an important issue in our climate which is conducive to pool and beach swimming.

TERM PLANNER

Copies are available for download from the school's website, Facebook page and phone app. The planner will indicate the known dates of school events and activities. Changes to the Planner are noted in the school newsletter. Parents can add information to the planner as it becomes available.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

To help alleviate local traffic during pickup, ask admin about how you and your child can participate in the Walking School Bus.

WEBSITE

Please visit our school website where you will find out a wealth of information, including this parent handbook. www.northmorleyps.wa.edu.au

SCHOOL UNIFORM / CODE OF DRESS

The School Council have ratified a uniform which is promoted through the school's Uniform Shop. Children going on visits and excursions are expected to be in uniform, wearing the NMPS navy zip jacket or navy polo top with the school motifs and closed footwear.

Children are expected to wear clothing that is, neat, clean and allows for participation in all classroom and physical education activities. Closed footwear is essential for safety reasons. Hats are to be worn all year for outside activities. They must be full brimmed hats. Caps are not acceptable. Tank tops, halter tops, ugg boots, thongs, jewellery, nail polish, makeup and T-shirts with suggestive motifs are not considered acceptable at school. The uniform offers parents a hard wearing, attractive and appropriate standard of dress.

North Morley Uniform



NMPS Navy Polo



NMPS zip jacket and navy track pants



Green pleated skirt and bloomers



Navy shorts Navy skirts



Faction Shirts:
Nardoo (blue)
Stirling (red)
Mercury (green)



Junior Primary:
NMPS cotton dress



Navy slouch hat



School backpack

Please refer to the term planner for the days when the uniform shop is open. Alternatively, uniform orders may be placed in admin. The price list is available from the office.

NMPS Parking Map

