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## **ALBANY RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **Induction for New Students Policy**

RATIFIED BY SCHOOL COUNCIL: 23rd May 2018 REVIEW DATE: 2021

#### **PURPOSE:**

- 1.1 To ensure students who enter Albany Rise Primary School as a new student in Year 1 to 6, are successfully supported to transition to our school.
- 1.2 To ensure that student intake processes are compliant with Department requirements including that:
  - eligible students are admitted
  - student placement is determined using consistent criteria
  - necessary enrolment documentation is obtained and accurate records are maintained
  - student transfers are managed appropriately

#### **GUIDELINES:**

- 2.1 Students transitioning from Pre-school to Foundation have a separate induction and transition process. Refer to ARPS Transtion Policy for more information.
- 2.2 Children of school age have the right to be admitted to their designated neighbourhood government school at the beginning of the school year (or when relevant) unless an approved alternative placement has been arranged.
- 2.3 The designated neighbourhood school is the school that is nearest the student's permanent residence, unless the regional director:
  - needs to restrict new enrolments at a school
  - has designated the neighbourhood boundaries for the school
- 2.4 The following documents must be provided before a student can be enrolled at the school:
  - Completed enrolment form signed by parents
  - Proof of date of birth (eg birth certificate)
  - Immunisation record / certificate
- 2.5 Before enrolling, families are encouraged to undertake a meeting and school tour with the principal (or delegate). Any additional student needs are discussed at this meeting.
- 2.6 Level team leaders will confer with staff and Principal regarding the best class placement for any new student.
- 2.7 A clear process from initial contact with the school to placement in the classroom is provided to ensure a smooth transition to the school.
- 2.8 A copy of the induction process for new students is provided to all teaching and administration staff.

### Resources:

 ARPS New Student Induction FlowChart and Checklist <a href="http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/participation/Pages/intake.aspx">http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/participation/Pages/intake.aspx</a>

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School Council President:		
Principal:		

# ARPS New Student Induction Flowchart and Checklist

When	What		Who	Completed
Initial contact with		If phone call, list: student first and last name, parent name, proximity to school,	Office/ Admin	
school		previous school, year level, start date		
		If approaching the office: complete all details on Front page of enrolment form. Copy		
		and keep on file. (Can provide Enrolment pack if definite about attending)		
Immediately after		Forward details to Principal/ AP on same day as contact	Prin/AP	
initial contact with		AP/ Principal to make contact with family to arrange a tour/ meeting		
school		Dates are written on details page and on Outlook calendar		
		Details page is kept in 'Prospective Enrolments' folder in Principal's office.		
First Visit to the		Meet with Principal/ AP to discuss individual child and meet family/ carers/ workers	Prin	
school		(Take notes as needed)		
		Tour of the school (as appropriate)		
		Information pack provided to family: Enrolment form, School information book, Uniform	Office staff	
		order form, policies, Standard permission form, canteen list (Foundation orientation		
		information and dates if appropriate)		
		Complete enrolment form with parent (where appropriate). Ask if interpreters are		
		required, and which language. Ensure this is written on the form.		
		Arrange uniform purchase		
		Contact previous school (where appropriate)	Prin/AP	
		Place notes with information in prospective enrolments folder		
Prior to starting (1-2		Determine which class the student is to go into. Inform teacher.	Prin/AP (letter)	
weeks prior)		Mail/ email confirmation letter and welcome to family. (Or provide on first day)	Office/ Admin	
		Ask parent to sign 'consent to share' form if agencies are involved		
		Provide recent and upcoming events notices and a most recent Newsletter		
		Confirm payment of fees (pro rata) with family (or on first day)		
		Provide Flexibuzz, QKR information plus meeting schedules for sub committees and		
		council	teacher	
		Prepare student locker, tub, take home pouch etc. Update class lists and displays (as		
		needed)		
Day 1		Request the family to come 10 minutes early	Teacher/ AP/Prin	
		Student (and family) walked to the classroom and greet the teacher		
		Update Enrolment form information on CASES		
		Confirm student has books and requisites	Office Staff	
		Email all staff (DL) new student name and grade		



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	☐ Assign a 'buddy' in the student's class to orientate the student. (Grade 6 buddy for		
	Foundation)	teacher	
Day 2	☐ Roll over CASES data to Compass	AP	
	☐ Print and send home Compass log on information		
	☐ Contact ICT Staff to update software log on information and passwords: VCAA, MOI,	ICT Staff	
	EOI, Mathletics, Reading Eggs, Server, etc		
	☐ Check with class teacher on student's 'settling in' to the class	Well Being Officer	
	☐ Contact parent (Yard/ phone) regarding positive start at the school <u>invite</u> them to	teacher	
	parent activities		
	☐ Create Yellow student file for student		
After 2 weeks	☐ Meet with teacher and student to see how well they have settled in	Prin/AP / Well Being	
	□ Document meeting- file	Officer	
	☐ Welcome to the school with SOTW award (as appropriate)		
As required	☐ Continue to closely monitor student for one term	All staff	



