

# Kurrajong North Public School



Respectful - Responsible - Resilient Learners



**By sending your child to Kurrajong North Public School you can be assured that you have chosen an outstanding school with excellent learning programs supported by the most professional and caring teachers.**

## **A rich learning experience**

**We offer our students an education that is challenging and rewarding, including:**

- stimulating education programs that meet student needs
- a strong focus on literacy and numeracy
- outstanding academic results
- up-to-date interactive technology
- safe, secure and disciplined learning environments
- opportunities to participate in performing arts and sports programs
- successful transition programs to gifted classes, comprehensive and selective high schools
- specialised learning programs to support students
- close and friendly links with parents and the wider community.



# Useful information for parents



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## School Terms 2024

TERM 1	
<b>Begins</b>	Thursday 1 February for students in Years 1 to 6
<b>Kindergarten Best Start</b>	Thursday 1 February Friday 2 February
	Monday 5 February for Kindergarten students 10am to 3pm
<b>Concludes</b>	Friday 12 April
TERM 2	
<b>Begins</b>	Tuesday 30 April
<b>Concludes</b>	Friday 5 July
TERM 3	
<b>Begins</b>	Tuesday 23 July
<b>Concludes</b>	Friday 27 September
TERM 4	
<b>Begins</b>	Monday 14 October
<b>Concludes</b>	Thursday 19 December for students

## School Hours

9:30am	School begins
11:30 - 12:10	Lunch
1:40 - 2.20	Recess
3:30	End of school day

## How to enrol your child

Enrolments can be made online. You will need to provide proof of identity for the student. Proof of identity can be shown using a birth certificate or passport. Proof of residential address eg council rates notice, residential lease, electricity accounts, statutory declaration etc. Children may not start school until an enrolment application process is complete. Children beginning Kindergarten, will also need an Immunisation Certificate. More information can be found here: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/enrolment/primary-school-enrolment>

## School Bus

Our school has a dedicated bus service to bring your child to school. This bus services Kurrajong Heights and only Kurrajong North students use the bus.

If you want to access this service please get a timetable and pick-up-points from the school. You will also need to apply online at: <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/#/applyNow> to receive free bus travel through Bilpin Coaches.





### **Please label your child's belongings**

Lost property is very hard to identify if it is not properly labelled. Names written in permanent marker on tags or commercially printed name-tags sewn securely will ensure that your child does not lose valuable clothing. Lunch boxes, drink bottles, art shirts, cups and toys need to be labelled as well.

### **School Hats**

As part of our Sun Safe policy children are required to wear a school hat with a wide brim. Children without a hat must remain in the shade. Hats can be purchased from the school.

### **Medications**

Children needing regular prescription medication are not to keep tablets or any other form of medication in their bags. If your child requires medication to be administered at school please fill out the Student health condition support request/medication request form on the Schoolbytes App or portal.

### **Accident/Sickness**

In the event of an accident or illness it is essential that you can be contacted. The school should be notified immediately of any changes in contact details.

### **Student Assistance Scheme**

The school receives a limited amount of funding each year to assist families who are experiencing difficulties paying for excursions, uniforms etc. If you require assistance, please contact the Principal.

### **Religious Instruction**

Roman Catholic, Anglican and Ethics classes are conducted once a week on Tuesdays. Please notify the school which scripture class (or Non Scripture class) you would like your child to attend.

### **Late Arrivals and Early Departures**

Late arrivals will need to report to the office with their parent/guardian. Similarly, if you are taking your child from school early, report to the school office. Your child will be given a slip to give to their teacher.

### **Absences**

It is really important that children attend school each day. However, if your child is absent from school, please notify us via the attendance section of the Schoolbytes App/portal. Please let the school know if your child is to be away for more than a few days.

If it is to be a prolonged absence e.g. going on holidays for 5 days or more please fill in an extended leave form available under the Forms sections in the School Bytes App/portal.

### **School Fees**

The school does not ask parents to pay school fees. Instead we ask that parents cover the cost of materials such as text books.





### **Best Start**

Before formally beginning Kindergarten each new Kindergarten child will be involved in an individual “**Best Start Kindergarten Assessment**”.

This is not a test but an opportunity for the Kindergarten teacher to observe each child on an individual basis as they undertake tasks in literacy and numeracy. It will help the teacher understand what your child already knows as they begin their formal schooling.

The teacher will look at your child’s reading and writing, their ability to communicate with others and how they recognise and work with numbers, groups and patterns.

You will be given feedback about what your child’s teacher has learned about your child.

### **School Communications**

#### **School Bytes App/portal**

We use a school app called School Bytes which is used for:

- submitting absences
- Making payments.
- Digital permission for excursions

Important information will be emailed to parents.

### **Excursions**

Children who are participating in cultural visits, school excursions, camps and sporting activities are required to have a signed permission note from their parents. Please bear in mind that if a permission has not been given your child cannot participate in the activity.

Permission and payments for excursions etc. can be made via the School Bytes App/portal.



### **Worried?**

Should you become concerned about your child's education, contact the school at any time and make an appointment to discuss the issue.

### **Formal Reporting to Parents**

Formal interviews with your child's teacher regarding your child's progress are held at the end of Term 1

School reports give parents information about your child and provide feedback on how much students have achieved throughout the year.

Written reports will be sent home to parents at the end of Term 2 and Term 4. We encourage parents to discuss their child's report with their child.

### **Canteen**

There is a great Tuckshop every Friday at the school - run by volunteer parents on a roster system. Lunch is usually a set menu for that week and can be ordered through our canteen app - **My School Connect**.

If you would like to assist with our Friday Tuckshop, please notify the office as all help is gratefully accepted.

### **Sport**

Sport is conducted by a "Sporting Schools" coach. All children participate in this activity and should wear sports attire. We also offer additional sporting programs such as gymnastics and dance. These are provided by outside accredited agencies and can run for a few weeks or a term. If your child is unable to participate in sport for

reasons of illness or injury, please indicate this in a note to the class teacher.

### **Sending Money to School**

When it becomes necessary to send money to school for activities, the money should be sent with the appropriate note/order form in an envelope. Please put the child's name, class, function and the amount enclosed.

The school's preferred method of payment is through our School Bytes App/portal. We also accept cash payments.

### **Ways I Can Assist My Child's School**

Take an active part in the Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) - the parent body concerned with the interests of all students within the school. The P&C meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm.

### **Become a Parent Helper**

Parents are usually asked (via a note) to assist with the learning programs in the classrooms or on excursions. Your assistance is greatly appreciated and encouraged. An extra set of hands is always a bonus!



## Uniforms

### Girls

Blue & Red KNPS shirt - \$25

Navy cotton drill shorts/skorts/pants/track pants

White socks and black shoes

KNPS School Jacket - \$45

or Navy Blue Jumpers/Jackets

KNPS Parkers \$58

School Hat \$15



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## **Bilpin Coaches Pty Limited**

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### **Timetable for Kurrajong North PS - School Bus Service**

*Commencing 21<sup>st</sup> February 2011*

#### **Morning Service Timetable**

	<u>AMI</u>
Depart Berambing	8.19am
2839 BLR - Bilpin	8.25am
Glenara Rd	8.35am
1586 Bells Line of Rd	8.38am
Coach House Pl	8.41am
Pinedale Pl- Heights Pub	8.44am
Old Service Station	8.46am
Bus Stop Shelter BLR	8.48am
Cnr. Old BLR - Flashing Lights	8.49am
Stanley Ave - Fire Station	8.53am
Cnr. Bellbird & Stanley Aves	8.55am
Kurrajong Nth PS	8.58am

#### **Depart Kurrajong Nth PS AM2**

#1111 Bells Line of Rd	9.01am
Old Post Office	9.02am
Pullover Bay #23 Warks Hill Rd	9.05am
Don St	9.06am
Cnr. Frederick & Don St	9.07am
Cnr. Rainridge & Warks Hill Rd	9.09am
Cnr. Buralow & Rain Ridge Rd	9.12am
Cnr. Warks Hill Rd & Buralow Rd	9.13am
Warks Hill Rd Turnaround- #124	9.14am
Shane Place	9.17am
Kurrajong Nth PS	9.20am
Arrive Berambing	9.26am
	9.53am

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#### **Afternoon Service Timetable**

Depart Berambing	3.05pm
Arrive Kurrajong Nth PS	3.30pm
Depart Kurrajong Nth PS	3.33pm
Old Post Office	3.36pm
Pullover Bay #23 Warks Hill Rd	3.37pm
Don St	3.39pm
Cnr. Frederick & Don Sts	3.41pm
Bus Stop Shelter BLR	3.44pm
Old BLR - Flashing Lights	3.45pm
Stanley Ave - Fire Station	3.49pm
Cnr. Bellbird & Stanley Aves	3.51pm
Kurrajong Nth PS	3.55pm

#### **Depart Kurrajong Nth PS PM2**

#1111 Bells Line of Rd	3.57pm
Old Post Office	3.58pm
Cnr. Rainridge & Warks Hill Rds	4.00pm
Cnr. Buralow & Rainridge Rds	4.02pm
Cnr. Warks Hill & Buralow Rds	4.03pm
Warks Hill Rd Turnaround - #124	4.04pm
Shane Place	4.07pm
Pinedale Pl - Heights Pub	4.10pm
Coach House Place	4.13pm
#1586 Bells Line of Rd	4.15pm
Glenara Rd	4.18pm
#2839 BLR - Bilpin	4.21pm
Arrive Berambing	4.31pm
	4.37pm

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## Too sick for school?



Generally if your child feels unwell, keep them home from school and consult your doctor. This chart and the information it contains is not intended to take the place of a consultation with your doctor.

<b>Bronchitis</b>	Symptoms are coughing, a runny nose, sore throat and mild fever. The cough is often dry at first, becoming moist after a couple of days. There may be a slight wheeze and shortness of breath. A higher fever (typically above 39°C) may indicate pneumonia.	 ... until they are feeling better. Antibiotics may be needed.
<b>Chickenpox</b> (Varicella)	Slight fever, runny nose, and a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab.	 ... for 5 days from the onset of the rash and the blisters have dried.
<b>Conjunctivitis</b>	The eye feels 'scratchy', is red and may water. Lids may stick together on waking.	 ... while there is discharge from the eye unless a doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious cause.
<b>Diarrhoea</b> (no organism identified)	Two or more consecutive bowel motions that are looser and more frequent than normal and possibly stomach cramps.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.
<b>Fever</b>	A temperature of 38.5°C or more in older infants and children.	 ... until temperature is normal.
<b>Gastroenteritis</b>	A combination of frequent loose or watery stools (diarrhoea), vomiting, fever, stomach cramps, headaches.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea and/or vomiting stops.
<b>German measles</b> (Rubella)	Often mild or no symptoms: mild fever, runny nose, swollen nodes, pink blotchy rash that lasts a short time.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
<b>Glandular Fever</b> (Mononucleosis, EBV infection)	Symptoms include fever, headache, sore throat, tiredness, swollen nodes.	 ... unless they're feeling unwell.
<b>Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease</b> (HFMD)	Generally a mild illness caused by a virus, perhaps with a fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet, and perhaps the nappy area in babies.	 ... until all blisters have dried.
<b>Hayfever</b> (Allergic rhinitis) caused by allergy to pollen (from grasses, flowers and trees), dust mites, animal fur or hair, mould spores, cigarette smoke	Sneezing, a blocked or runny nose (rhinitis), itchy eyes, nose and throat, headaches.	 ... unless they feel unwell or are taking a medication which makes them sleepy.
<b>Head lice or nits*</b> (Pediculosis)	Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found on the scalp.	 ... while continuing to treat head lice each night. Tell the school.

<b>Hepatitis A</b>	Often none in young children; sudden onset of fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine, pale stools.	 ... for 2 weeks after first symptoms (or 1 week after onset of jaundice). Contact your doctor before returning to school.
<b>Hepatitis B</b>	Often no symptoms in young children. When they do occur, they can include fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine.	 ... if they have symptoms. Contact your doctor before returning to school.  ... if they have a chronic infection (not the first outbreak) and no symptoms.
<b>Impetigo</b> (School sores)	Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.	 ... until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.
<b>Influenza</b>	Sudden onset fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and headaches.	 ... until well.
<b>Measles</b>	Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore red eyes for a few days followed by a red blotchy rash that starts on the face and spreads down the body and lasts 4 to 7 days.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
<b>Meningococcal Disease</b>	Sudden onset of fever and a combination of headache, neck, stiffness, nausea, vomiting, drowsiness or rash.	<b>Seek medical attention immediately.</b> Patient will need hospital treatment. Close contacts receive antibiotics.
<b>Molluscum Contagiosum</b>	Multiple small lumps (2–5mm) on the skin that are smooth, firm and round, with dimples in the middle. In children, occur mostly on the face, trunk, upper arms and legs. Symptoms can last 6 months to 2 years.	
<b>Mumps</b>	Fever, swollen and tender glands around the jaw.	 ... for 9 days after onset of swelling.
<b>Ringworm*</b> (tinea corporis)	Small scaly patch on the skin surrounded by a pink ring.	 ... for 24 hours after fungal treatment has begun.
<b>Runny nose or common cold</b>		 ... unless there are other symptoms such as fever, sore throat, cough, rash or headache. Check with school.
<b>Scabies*</b>	Itchy skin, worse at night. Worse around wrists, armpits, buttocks, groin and between fingers and toes.	 ... until 24 hours after treatment has begun.
<b>Shigella</b>	Diarrhoea (which may contain blood, mucus and pus), fever, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.	 ... until there has not been a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. Antibiotics may be needed.
<b>Slapped Cheek Syndrome</b> (Parvovirus B19 infection, fifth disease, erythema infectiosum)	Mild fever, red cheeks, itchy lace-like rash, and possibly cough, sore throat or runny nose.	 ... as it is most infectious before the rash appears.
<b>Whooping Cough</b> (Pertussis)	Starts with a running nose, followed by persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts maybe followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.	 ... until the first 5 days of an antibiotic course has been completed. Unimmunised siblings may need to stay home too until treated with an antibiotic.
<b>Worms</b> (Threadworms, pinworms)	The main sign of threadworms is an itchy bottom. Sometimes children feel 'out of sorts' and do not want to eat much. They may also have trouble sleeping, due to itching at night.	 ... and tell the school as other parents will need to know to check their kids.

**\*It is important that the rest of the family is checked for head lice, scabies and ringworm**



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