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Dear Parents & Carers,

You are receiving this letter as a follow up from the acceptance to your child's application for enrolment to Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School in 2026.

We ask that you please place the following dates into your diary so that your child is able to attend these events. Each transition day is specifically designed to support your child in having the best transition into our school environment and to ensure that your child is set up for success for the coming year.

Students will be attending <u>four</u> transition sessions starting on Thursday 13th November. These sessions provide your child with the invaluable opportunity to familiarise themselves with the school and learning environment. It also supports the teachers in getting to know your child and provides valuable information for consideration when placing students in class groups for 2026.

Please be aware that the allocated groups are not fixed and may change throughout the transition program. By Session 4, the student class groups for 2026 will be confirmed.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Jess Davis Principal







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Transition Session Dates

Session 1 - Thursday 13th November 2025 - 9.15 till 10.30am

Session 2 – Thursday 20th November 2025 - 9.15 till 10.30am

Session 3 – Thursday 27th November 2025 - 9.15 till 10.30am

Session 4 – Thursday 4th December 2025 - 9.15 till 10.30am

On the day of the transition sessions, parents/carers are requested to bring their child five minutes before their session commences to the Prayer Space. Students and parents will be provided with a name badge at each session.

This allows us to get to know you and your child by name. It also helps you when meeting new parents for the first time.

The Foundation (Prep) teachers will collect the students from the prayer space at the beginning of each session and take them to the classrooms. At the end of the session, your children will be walked back to the Prayer Space where you will be waiting.

Parent Learning & Social Opportunities

Whilst your child is attending the transition sessions, we will also provide information sessions for parents at the same time. Once children have moved to their classrooms, parents will stay in the prayer space as we go through important information with you. It is an expectation that parents/guardians remain for each session. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet different members of our school's leadership team as they will present key information to you.







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The focus of each transition session is outlined below:

Session 1: Thursday 13th November 2025 (9.15am-10.30am)		
Student focus	Through stories, songs and games children are given the opportunity to get to know each other and the teachers.	
Teacher focus	Introducing the school and learning children's names.	
Parent focus	Welcome to Mother Teresa ~ Parental Responsibilities:	
	In this session, Mrs Jess Davis our Principal will welcome you to Mother Teresa and explain the role of a Catholic primary school, legal requirements and obligations as a parent here. She will also discuss the school's responsibility in regard to child safety within a school context.	
	Jess will also discuss communication and the platforms we use here at Mother Teresa to ensure that you are aware of upcoming events as well as any school based information you may need to know.	

Session 2: Thursday 20th November 2025 (9.15am-10.30am)		
Student focus	Name writing and developmental play.	
Teacher focus	Observing the children engaged in learning and play.	
Parent focus	Supporting your child and the school in Literacy & Numeracy.	
	Ms Conchita Thomas our Mathematics Leader and Mrs Naomi Glasby our Literacy Leader will lead a session on how we teach Literacy and Mathematics here at Mother Teresa and how you can best prepare your child to start school.	







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Session 3: Thursday 27th November 2025 (9.15am-10.30am)		
Student focus	Getting to know the school by doing a school tour	
Teacher focus	Learning more about the children's social skills	
Parent focus	Supporting your Child's Social and Emotional Needs	
	In this session, Mr Darren Gibson Deputy Principal: Wellbeing & Community along with our Learning Diversity Leader Mrs Stef McNeil will discuss Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) here at Mother Teresa. They will also discuss our student services team for children who may have additional learning or social skills requirements.	

Session 4: Thursday 4th December 2025 (9.15am-10.30am)		
Student focus	Getting to know my new friends in my classroom.	
Teacher focus	Establishing simple classroom expectations with the children. For example, at school we take turns to talk - we put up our hand.	
Parent focus	Developing Community Connections In our final session, Mrs Jess Davis Principal will lead and provide an opportunity for parents to continue to develop and deepen social connections across the Foundation year level and our school community by discussing some practical and helpful hints around school lunch boxes, OSHC, school start and finish times etc. During this session, Lowes, our uniform supplier will be available to discuss the Mother Teresa school uniforms.	



