

## **INFORMATION SHEET for Parents of Prospective Students**

Dear Parents,

*Welcome to Rockingham John Calvin School!*

If this is the first time you will be enrolling a child in RJCS, then please accept a hearty welcome to the school community. I hope you will soon feel at home among us. This is YOUR school and you are encouraged to be actively involved in whatever way you can.

Once enrolment details are processed you will be contacted regarding orientation and days of attendance. If you have any questions, please ask.

### **Some things to keep in mind:**

- RJCS caters for the children of families who are members of the Rockingham and Baldivis Free Reformed Churches of Australia.
- Parents with primary aged children currently residing outside the RJCS catchment area and intend to move into this area in the near future are encouraged to notify the school of their intentions at their earliest convenience.
- In order to enroll your child/ren at RJCS you need to be a member (in good standing) of the Free Reformed School Association. Enrolments are subject to your membership.

### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

- **KINDERGARTEN 2022** - Kindergarten is non-compulsory.  
**Eligibility:** All children who turn 4 before 1st July 2022 are eligible to attend as of the beginning of Term 1. Kindergarten is 5 full days per fortnight.  
**Kindergarten Attendance:** It is your choice if you send your child to Kindergarten, however, we are unable to guarantee that non-attending children will not be disadvantaged when it comes to their preparation for formal schooling.
- **PRE-PRIMARY 2022** - Pre-primary is compulsory.  
**Eligibility:** Children who turn 5 before 1st July 2022 must attend as of the beginning of Term 1. Preprimary is Full-time, 5 days per week.

**Please complete the enrolment form and bring along with any associated documents when you enroll your child. Please take note of the following:**

- **Health Alerts** - We need to know if your child is allergic to anything e.g. peanuts, bee stings or whether they are they prone to any illnesses e.g. hay fever, seizures, anaphylaxis.  
*See <https://www.allergy.org.au/> for information.*

- **Immunisation Records** – It is a legal requirement to supply the school with an up-to-date immunisation history statement with your enrolment, even if your child hasn't received all vaccinations as yet. Under new legislation (22/7/2019) WA schools are not permitted to enrol a child in Kindergarten if the child's immunisation status is not up to date, unless one of the exemptions applies. The definition of a 'current' IHS is one which is no older than two (2) months at the time of it being supplied to the school. Copies of your child's immunisation history statement (IHS) can be downloaded from your MyGov account at <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/>. If you do not immunise please supply the school with a copy of your Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) - immunisation medical exemption form (IM011).
- **Emergency Contacts** – These contacts should be available during school hours and live in close proximity to the school in the event we cannot contact you. These details must be kept up-to-date and if arrangements change, please contact the school.
- **Student Asthma Record** – The school is an "Asthma Friendly School". Please complete an asthma plan for any children who have a history of asthma, including asthma in infancy. (Note: Doctor's signature is only required if you provide an alternative asthma plan).
- **Permission to Administer Paracetamol/Ibuprofen** - This section on the enrolment form grants the staff permission to administer Paracetamol/Ibuprofen to a student complaining of a headache or any other pain. You will be asked to advise if you would like the staff to contact you before administering or whether you are happy to leave it to the staff's discretion. Either way you will be informed on the same day.
- **Permission to Publish Photographs** - During the course of the year many photos are taken of the students, which in turn are used for various school related purposes. We require your permission for the use of these photos. Please indicate on the form if you have any objections to your child's photo being published. *Please note, no photos are used in Social Media or outside publications.*

If you have any queries or require clarification of the enrolment process, please contact the school secretary or myself on 9524 1125 or [rjcs@frsa.as.au](mailto:rjcs@frsa.as.au)

Kind regards,

Mr Ben Kramer  
**RJCS PRINCIPAL**