

Taupō Primary Bright Beginners

Welcome to Taupō Primary School. We are very excited to have you join our team!

Our Bright Beginners Programme consists of 3 visits prior to your tamariki starting school. Visits take place on Thursdays 9-10 am. Please bring a fruit/vegetable snack for your child to eat during brain break on their morning visit.



Bright Beginners Schedule 2022

Bright Beginners Visit times 2022				
Term	Cohort Entry Date	Visit 1 9-10-am	Visit 2 9-10am	Visit 3 9-10am
1	2nd Feb	25th November	2nd December	-
	14th March	24th February	3rd March	10th March
2	2nd May	31st March	7th April	14th April
	7th June (Tues)	19th May	26th May	2nd June
3	25th July	23rd June	30th June	7th July
	29th August	11th August	18th August	25th August
4	17th October	15th September	22nd September	29th September
	21st November	3rd November	10th November	17th November

We are looking forward to having you in the TPS Team!

Any queries please email or phone:
office@taupopprimary.school.nz or 378 4389



Taupō Primary Cohort Entry

We are passionate about ensuring our students have a successful transition from Early Childhood Education to Taupō Primary School. For this reason we implemented cohort entry in 2020. This means that children can start school in cohorts but only **after** they have turned 5.

There are **2 entry points per term**, one on the first day of term, and one at the mid-point during a term. Cohort entry is about helping children settle better in school. There is evidence that starting school alongside other children helps build relationships and supports a smoother entry to school life.

Parents continue to have the option of not starting their child in school until their 6th birthday. It is a legal requirement that a child enrolls at a registered school from age 6. Therefore, if not already enrolled, a child can start school on their 6th birthday regardless of a school's cohort entry policy, but must start school no later than their 6th birthday.

If a child needs an extension on their WINZ due to Cohort entry at the school a Change of Circumstances Form needs to be completed by the parent and ECE centre. The following needs to be written on the form:

“An extension is needed as this child _____ is starting at _____

School

which has cohort entry their start date at school will be _____.”

This will enable WINZ to check that this school is cohort entry and then override the automatic stopping of WINZ payments.

<https://parents.education.govt.nz/primary-school/your-child-at-school/cohort-entry/>

Cohort Entry Dates 2021		
Term	Start of Term Date	Mid-Term Date
1	2 Feb 2022	14 Mar 2022
2	2 May 2022	7 June 2022 (Tuesday)
3	25 July 2022	29 Aug 2022
4	17 Oct 2022	21 Nov 2022
TPS Year Classification	Year 1	Year 0

