Telopea Park School
Lycée franco-australien de Canberra

Welcome! Bienvenue!

2020 Kindergarten Parent Information Presentation

Document d’information pour la Grande Section de maternelle
Telopea Park School
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Overview

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➢ An introduction to Telopea Park School
➢ The binational approach
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Introducing our Team

Kerrie Blain  Principal
David Binan  Proviseur  (Head of French Studies)
Anna McGown  Deputy Principal
Catherine Buatois  Conseillère Pédagogique  (French Primary Executive Teacher)
An Introduction to Telopea Park School–Lycée franco-australien de Canberra

Principal’s Message

• Binational French-Australian School established 1983

• An agreement between the Governments of France and Australia.

• A bicultural, bilingual school from Kindergarten to Year 10
Proviseur’s message

- Provides bilingual immersion education in the English and French languages from Kindergarten to Year 6
- Delivers a harmonised French-Australian curriculum which meets the requirements of both the French and Australian governments
- Employs French teachers with French national teaching qualifications and Australian teachers from the ACT Directorate.
Telopea Park School is a member of the AEFE global network

The school is accredited by the French Ministry of Education and is part of the AEFE (French Education Abroad) Network
AEFE – Agence pour Enseignement Français à l’Etranger
Agency for French Education Abroad

• The world’s largest educational network
• A Government Agency supervised by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs
• 522 Schools
• 139 Countries
• 370 000 Students

Being an AEFE School means:

• Accredited by the French Ministry of Education
• High quality teaching staff
• All students can pursue their education in any French school without having to take an examination
Organisation of the Primary School
L’organisation de l’école primaire

27 Classes

Music
Musique

Special Needs
Besoins éducatifs particuliers

Digital
Technology 3-6
Informatique

EALD
Anglais seconde langue

P.E
EPS

Early Literacy Support

Library
Bibliothèque
Bilingualism—A bicultural approach

*French–Australian curriculum*

*Programmes français et australiens*

**Kindy, Year 1 and Year 2**
Grande Section Maternelle, CP et CE1

- 80% Français
- 20% English

**Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6**
CE2, CM1, CM2 et 6ème

- 50% Français
- 50% English
A typical timetable in Kindergarten

**Un emploi du temps type de Grande Section**

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A student and family commitment / Un projet pour l’élève et la famille

A demanding program / Une scolarité exigeante

Support your child’s learning in French outside of school / Soutenir les apprentissages en français en dehors de l’école

Pay attention and listen to your child and how he connects to the language / Observer et écouter l’enfant, son rapport à la langue
Unpacking the Enrolment Process

1. EDU Form: online Application to Enrol in an ACT Public School
2. Telopea Park School Enrolment Form
3. Telopea Park School Selection Criteria
4. Timeline for Kindergarten 2021 Enrolments
5. School Readiness Statement
6. Required documentation

Telopea Park School Website > Tab ‘Enrolments’ > sub-tabs ‘Enrolment Process’ & ‘Enrolment Forms’
Enrolment Phases
There are five enrolment phases, which include:

- Enrolment Application Period: 28 April 2020 6am – 5 June 2020 5pm
- Enrolment Processing Period: 8 June – 24 July 2020
- Offers of placement emailed to families: 27 July 2020 11am
- Offers of placement need to be accepted by families by Friday 7 August 2020 5pm
- Review Period: 10 - 14 August 2020
The Enrolment Process

**Step 1**
- Complete the Education Directorate online enrolment form via Access Canberra

**Step 2**
- Complete the Telopea Park School Kindergarten enrolment form and ask your preschool/childcare to fill in the School Readiness Statement

**Step 3**
- Submit the completed Telopea Park School Kindergarten enrolment form and **all** supporting documentation to Catherine Buatois: catherine.Buatois@ed.act.edu.au (cc. Anna McGown: anna.mcgown@ed.act.edu.au)
The Enrolment Process

All applicants for entry in 2021 must complete:

➢ An Education Directorate (EDU) online application form, as well as
➢ The Telopea Park School (TLPS) Enrolment Form
Compulsory Documentation for all applicants:
- Proof of child’s date of birth and citizenship (Birth Certificate or Passport)
- Proof of A.C.T. residency (e.g. utility bill, lease agreement, rates notice - no driver licence)
- School Readiness Statement completed by the preschool/childcare and "sent directly by them" to the Conseillère pédagogique
- Letter of motivation (max. 500 words)

Supporting documentation may include:
- Evidence of language studies, competencies and attainment in French language of the parents/carers
- Previous school/ progress reports of the child
Selection Criteria

The selection criteria are based on the school’s experience supporting children in the bilingual program. They are not decisive. Let us assure you that failure to meet one or more of these criteria does not mean at all that your child will not be enrolled. The criteria are designed to assist the school in assessing applications, as the demand for places usually exceeds the number of places available in Kindergarten. To be accepted, the applicant may meet one or more of the criteria.

About the student:
- Level of preparation to enter primary school
- Ability to speak and understand French
- Previous schooling in a French or bilingual program
- French citizenship or citizenship of a country where French is an official language

About the parents/carers:
- Commitment to the bilingual program
- Ability to support the student in French language/degree of fluency in the French language
Please Note:

Only completed enrolment forms with all relevant paperwork will be accepted.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Please wait until you have all required evidence before submitting paperwork.

*Please note that application order will not be a factor in your child’s acceptance.
The Selection Panel

- Principal
- Proviseur
- Primary Deputy Principal
- Conseillère Pédagogique
All students at Telopea Park School are expected to wear full school uniform.
Outside of School Hours Care

Available weekdays

Mornings - 7:30 am - 9:00 am
Afternoons - 3:15 pm - 6:00 pm

Holiday programs available

Permanent, part-time and casual bookings available.
Childcare benefits and rebates apply.