

Morning Meetings



Building brighter futures together

What is a Morning Meeting?

A Morning Meeting is part of our daily routine that is established in the first few weeks of school. Each Morning Meeting runs for approximately twenty to thirty minutes and sets the tone for the day ahead. It provides opportunities for all members of the class to greet one another, to be greeted by others, to listen, to respond and to look forward to the events of the day.

Children have the opportunity to build connections with one another and supports the development of a cooperative, rigorous and supportive learning environment.

Morning Meetings form part of our responsive classrooms approach and is non –negotiable for every class.

Structure of the Morning Meeting

There are **four components** of a successful morning meeting, these being:

- 1) **Greeting** – children and adults greet one another by name, this often includes handshakes, high fives, clapping, singing, etc.
- 2) **Sharing** – students are given the opportunity to share something of interest to the class and to respond to one another. This is a great opportunity to practice attentive listening and communication skills.
- 3) **Group/ Inclusion Activity** – this is a whole class activity that is short in length but provides opportunities for active participation. This activity can link to learning that is occurring in class, our PBS focus of the fortnight or may address particular issues arising through social skills development (as part of behaviour education approach).
- 4) **Morning Message** – developing language skills through the sharing of the Morning Message Board and discussion of the upcoming events.

Links to our 2020 – 2023 Business Plan

Building brighter futures through excellence in teaching and learning

- Implementation of evidence based researched instructional strategies and whole school approaches:
 - Responsive classrooms approach including Morning Meetings and the First Six Weeks of School

Brighter futures through effective leadership

- Build a strong nurturing team with collective responsibility of the Beenyup Way.

Brighter futures through an intentional learning environment

- As part of creating responsive classrooms, students engage in daily Morning Meetings.