



## Reception Term 1 Overview – 2026

Welcome back to the Preparatory School for another exciting year at Westminster!

We hope you and your family enjoyed a restful Summer break and that your children are ready for a wonderful term of learning, growth, and community.

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### Our Reception Teaching Team

We are delighted to introduce the Reception teaching team for this year:

- Meg Fitzgerald, Reception F, [mfitzgerald@westminster.sa.edu.au](mailto:mfitzgerald@westminster.sa.edu.au)
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We are very much looking forward to working with your children and partnering with you throughout the year.



## New Students

A warm Westminster welcome to our new Reception students.

Our Reception students will be joining us from the Westminster Transition classes, the Westminster ELC and from beyond our school gates.

We are thrilled to have all families in our community and wish our students a wonderful start to their Westminster journey.

## Welcome Event – Thursday 5 February

We look forward to seeing many of you at our Welcome Event on Thursday 5 February. This is a great opportunity to meet other families, connect with staff, and celebrate the beginning of another fantastic year.

## Important Dates – Term 1

Below are some key dates for the Reception cohort this term:

- Reception Parent Teacher Interviews. Week 3.
- Reception Parent Reading Workshop- Towards the end of term. More information to come soon.

A copy of the Term Planner, which is updated regularly, is attached for your reference.

## Communication

The Westminster Weekly is our main form of communication and will be emailed to families every Friday afternoon. Previous editions can be accessed via the Parent Portal on the school website.

## Absentee Process

If your child will be absent, please notify the school using one of the options below:

- Call the Absentee Line: 8276 0255 and leave a message
- Email: [psa@westminster.sa.edu.au](mailto:psa@westminster.sa.edu.au) and copy in your child's class teacher



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### Co-curricular – Commences in Term 2

Co-curricular activities begin for our Receptions in Term 2. Activities will take place on Tuesday afternoons after school. Nominations will come out via Clipboard in a few weeks. If your child is unable to attend a scheduled session, please ensure you email the teacher to notify them.

### QKR App

Please ensure your QKR app is updated with your child's 2026 class before the new school year begins. This is essential for accurate lunch and uniform ordering throughout the year. A reminder that all lunch orders must be placed before the daily cut-off time of 9.30am. Thank you for helping us keep everything running smoothly.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We are very much looking forward to a positive, engaging, and enjoyable term ahead with the Reception students.