BYO iPad Program:

- Enables personalisation of student learning through access to rich learning resources;
- Best facilitates the development of knowledge and skills necessary for the 21st century workforce, including digital-age literacy, innovative and creative thinking, effective communication and high productivity;
- Allows continuous access to educational materials allowing “Limitless Learning” opportunities anywhere, anytime;
- Provides an engaging, interactive environment for learning;
- Strengthens links between home and school, giving parents the opportunity to see, every day, what their child is learning at school and have relevant, timely, accurate and quality conversations around student learning and progress;
- Allows students the opportunity to display prior knowledge of topics and thus be co-constructive in their own learning journey.
How do children learn in Prep?

Children learn in a variety of ways. At Birkdale South State School Prep lays the educational foundations for all students to attain the skills required for success in later schooling. These skills include knowledge and application of language, early literacy and numeracy, sense of self, skills for relating to others and knowledge of the immediate world.

Our Prep program offers rich opportunities for differentiated learning experiences to support all students. Through active and dynamic environments, Prep students learn to solve problems, to communicate and to build creative thinking skills.

The Prep Curriculum

Teachers deliver the curriculum content and achievement standard expectations of the Australian Curriculum.

The Early Years Curriculum Guidelines describes the contexts for learning in Prep and provides teachers with a framework for ensuring active learning, problem solving, effective communication, creativity, social adjustment, self-management and participation.

The focus of the Prep year curriculum is to ensure our students have multiple and meaningful opportunities to engage in Literacy and Numeracy and social skills that will provide the best foundation for future learning.

Learning areas include but are not limited to:-

- **English**
- **Mathematics**
- **Science/History/Geography**
- **Active Learning Processes including Technology**
- **Health & Physical Learning**
- **Social & Personal Learning**

Our experienced early years teachers create a relaxed, secure and supportive environment where children are encouraged to investigate and explore and achieve to their individual potential.

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### How do children learn in Prep?

**English**
- Written Language
- Oral Language Development—screened in Prep supported by Speech Pathologist
- A love for reading
- Decoding skills and phonetics

**Maths**
- Early mathematical concepts
- Objects and collections
- Position, movement and direction
- Ordering, sequencing and patterning
- Understanding money

**Science/History/Geography**
- Questioning and predicting
- Planning and conducting
- Processing and analysing
- Evaluating
- Communicating