



## Kindergarten Completion: A Checklist

For various reasons, families may be trying to decide whether a Kindergarten course or Year 1 would best suit the needs of their child. If your child has not yet completed a Kindergarten / Prep / Foundation Year then please read the information included on the My Homeschool Kindergarten Readiness checklist.

By the end of your Kindergarten year with My Homeschool your child will have:

- Been taught the correct formation of all letters of the alphabet and numerals
- Enjoyed a selection of poetry
- Studied Australian animals and their habitat
- Practiced using scissors, paper construction, glue and other materials
- Considered their own personal family history and cultural celebrations
- Explored weather, seasonality and migration and tried some basic mapping exercises
- Kept a nature notebook for one year
- Explored scientists in world history
- Examined plants, soil, pests, diseases and weather
- Enjoyed artist studies and learned stories through musical composers

Their Kindergarten year will have given them many opportunities to give short oral narrations, and retelling stories and events. Students will have posed and explored questions relating to personal historical events. They will also be aware of the different places across our world, from local places known to them, to the Arctic and marine environments, and considering our universe. They have examined different animals and plants as well as seasonal changes.

Before heading into Year 1, your child should be reading simple texts and gaining in knowledge, practice and confidence in phonics. Generally, they will be able to read words used frequently, be able to blend 3 letter words easily, and discern the letter patterns, common sounds and rhymes in words. They will be aware of the differences between upper and lower case letters and basic punctuation.