

On PAR program

Working together with families and communities to support children in their education



everyone's family

Information for families

What is On PAR?

On PAR is a program focused on supporting your child in their education. Children can start on the program when they are in Reception to Year 4. As you know, if children are happy and strong in their education, this helps them to be happy and strong in life.

In this program, we work with you to support your child to go to school, enjoy learning and ultimately do well in their studies.

How does it work?

On PAR is a voluntary program for families who would like support and help with their child's education. Your child's school, or another local community organisation, that already supports your family can refer your child to On PAR with your permission.

An On PAR Case Worker will then work in partnership with your family for up to two years, to find flexible solutions and resources to support and help with your child's education.

We develop a plan together that empowers children to think about their goals and focuses on what is most important to them, and to you.

Your child will engage in opportunities that support and excite them. Your On PAR Case Worker helps to coordinate these services and resources. These might include learning support, help in other areas (e.g. health), fun activities, or resources for family members.

On PAR Case Workers will continue to meet regularly with your child, and you, to track progress and adjust support as needed.



On PAR provides:

Support for your child

Every child is different! Together we develop an individual plan for your child to:

- Explore and strengthen what they are already good at
- Identify areas where they might like some extra help
- Access the right resources and opportunities in the community to support this plan

Working in partnership with you, as the parent or carer, and your family.

We work closely with you, because you know your child best.

What else should I know?

- More than one child in a family can participate in the program, as long as they are in Reception to Year 4.
- The On PAR team are locally based and can meet you at your child's school, or in other places in the community where you feel comfortable.
- You cannot participate in On PAR if you are currently participating in The Smith Family's *Learning for Life* scholarship program.
- On PAR is culturally sensitive. We will always value the safety of our families and community. We believe that when we work together, we strengthen our community.

For more information:

If you would like to know more – please talk to your school or contact us:

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