

Expo helps kids make the big jump to school

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Families will be well and truly prepared for big school after attending a Transition to School Expo at Westfield Warramong later this month.

Operating since 2005, the Big School Expos have informed parents and children of all the necessities for beginning their big move.

Transition to School project officer Kath Smith said the expo on June 30 would be bigger and better than ever.

“Starting school is a critical time for both children and parents and the expos are

designed to make the transition a positive experience,” Ms Smith said.

“Families have the chance to familiarise themselves with all their local schools, who will be attending the event, and gather important information from transition to school experts.

“The expo provides an opportunity for parents to talk to health, speech and physiotherapy professionals, as well as parent support groups, to help parents prepare their little one for a successful start to school.”

Plenty of free entertainment has also been organised for the

event.

Children will be entertained with animals, art and craft activities, face painting, free school starters packs, as well as mascot Billy Backpack’s debut performance of his new song Hey Billy Backpack.

The Illawarra Transition to School Program is funded through FamiliesNSW, a state Government initiative that is specifically designed to help parents give their children a good start in life.

The expo will be held at the centre stage in Westfield Warramong from 9am to 3pm on June 30.



Billy Backpack will be on hand at the next Transition to School Expo at Westfield Warramong on June 30.