



Woohoo!

TERM 3 NEWS

Dear Prep Learning Community,

Welcome to Term 3! We hope you've had a restful mid-year break. We cannot believe we are already half way through the year – time really does fly when you're having fun!

We are so excited for our 100 Days of Prep celebration on Wednesday 31st July. Please make sure that you have responded to the permission form via CareMonkey.

RELIGION

Prep students will look at how they can be a good friend and the importance of friendships through parables including The Good Samaritan and The Ten Lepers. At the completion of the unit, the children will have the opportunity to watch Toy Story, which explores the concepts of positive friendships.

All families are welcome to join us for Morning Prayer and Christian Mediation. On 29th July, you are invited to pray with us during a whole school liturgy at 9.00am in the stadium. During the liturgy, a donation will be made to St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. We are asking for a small donation to help assist families in need. These could include non-perishable foods, blankets, vouchers etc. Your support is extremely appreciated!!



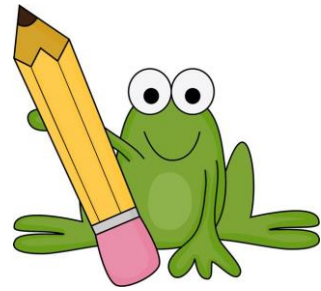
LITERACY

Reading

In Reading, the students will once again be immersed in the InitialLit Program. In particular, children will continue looking at recognising 'tricky words' and letter/sound relationships as we begin to explore digraphs (two letters that make one sound).

Writing

In Writing, the students will continue to build on their knowledge of Recounts. We continue to practice forming uppercase and lowercase letters correctly, correct sentence features (capital letters, full stops and spaces) and expanding on their writing using the 5 W's (who, what, when, where and why).



MATHEMATICS

This term in Number and Algebra, the students will continue to explore counting up to 100 in celebration of our 100 Days at School and begin investigating other concepts such as division (sharing between groups), subtraction and money (using play money to pay for goods through play).



Children will also explore the duration of time when comparing the lengths of tasks and connect days of the week to particular events and actions.

INQUIRY

Students will go on a journey of discovery as they are immersed into the properties and uses of different materials. They will experiment with building techniques as they make an aluminium foil boat and a bridge and reuse a pillowcase to make a bindle.

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Our focus for SEL this term will be on relationships. The children will be exploring ways to make new friends and how to maintain positive friendships with others through play.

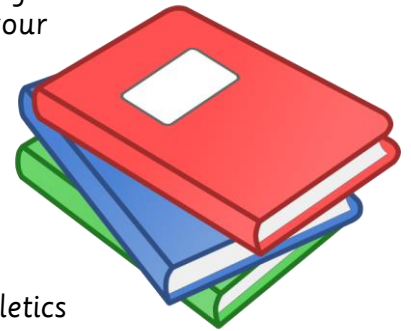
We will also be focusing on the different emotions that we all experience by continuing to learn about the Zones of Regulation. The children will learn how to recognise and identify their feelings when interacting with their friends.

We will continue to have fortnightly Buddies sessions with our Year 6 buddies, which is always a big highlight!



HOMework

We kindly ask that Reader Cases be returned to school each day to help in the transportation of new readers. We will also endeavour to change your child's reader book daily, however, please keep in mind that it may not always be possible to do so. It is encouraged that in these cases, your child read the same book again to promote fluency and confidence. It is also recommended that their Reading Dairy be filled in each night and remain in the reader bag also.



We are very pleased to see children logging in and using Mathletics and Wushka when they can. These are both very useful and engaging optional learning tools for you to continue enjoying as an addition to the reader each night.

SPORT

The children will be required to wear their sports uniform on the following days:

Prep Red – Monday and Friday
Prep Green – Tuesday and Friday
Prep Blue – Tuesday and Friday

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 18 th July 2019	Bastille Day Celebrations (Out of Uniform Day)
Wednesday 31 st July 2019	100 Days of Prep Celebration!
Friday 16 th August 2019	School Closure Day
Saturday 17 th August 2019	P&F Dinner Dance
Friday 23 rd August 2019	Book Week Dress Up Day
Friday 6 th September 2019	Father's Day Breakfast (ACK) and Father's Day Stall
Friday 20 th September 2019	Footy Colours Day/Last Day of Term 3

Thank you to the many of you who continue to pray with us and support the children's learning in the classroom. You are always valued as a great asset. If your circumstances have changed and you are now able to assist please let us know.

We thank you for your ongoing support. Please feel free to contact any of the

Prep teachers should you have any queries or concerns. We look forward to continuing to work together with you in partnership in furthering your child's education.

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