

# Term 3 Prep Overview 2024

<u>Prep AK</u>

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### Religion and Inquiry -

In Term Three our Prep students will learn about social justice through the lens of fairness and friendship. We will look at the essential question: How can I listen with understanding and empathy? The students will continue to be guided through Jesus' parables, The Good Samaritan and Blind Bartimaeus Receives His Sight, and learn what these parables mean for people in our world today.

#### Literacy -

In Term Three, our Prep students will be introduced to poetry and nursery rhymes. They will learn to identify rhyming words and use books and appropriate websites to gather information on the topic of social justice.

Our literacy program will include:

- <u>Comprehension Strategies:</u> Using comprehension strategies, students will discuss texts that they listen to and read.
- <u>Exposure to Literature</u>: Students will be exposed to a variety of rich literature picture books around the theme of social justice.
- <u>Creative Writing:</u> Students will use word processing software to create their own poems.
- <u>Oral Presentation:</u> Students will participate in a short oral presentation around the theme of social justice.
- <u>Literacy Development</u>: As part of the Little Learners Love Literacy Program, students will continue developing their knowledge of letters and sounds. They will also be introduced to common double letters (II, ff, ss) and digraphs (ck, sh, ch, th, ng).

#### Maths -

In Term Three we will continue to look at number concepts, extending our understanding by introducing addition and subtraction. The students will be given the opportunity to investigate different units of measurement. The students will:

- Investigate units of measurement including length, mass and capacity
- Practise various ways of grouping collections
- Explore how collections can be shared
- Be introduced to simple addition and subtraction strategies

### Wellbeing -

Through roleplay and picture story books the Prep students will learn techniques to manage conflict and social skills to use when working in a team. We will investigate the following:

- How can I listen with understanding and empathy?
- Why is it important to follow classroom rules and family rules?
- What is the difference between 'right' and 'wrong'?
- What does being friendly look like?

## Digital Technology -

Students will use a variety of different technology tools to supplement classroom learning. Students will:

- Publish their writing using word processing software
- Be exposed to creative apps such as PicCollage and Popplet to creatively share their ideas

## Library -

Students will continue to visit the library and are able to borrow books on a weekly basis. They will be required to bring in their library bag each week in order to borrow a book. Prep AK will be borrowing books on <u>Tuesdays.</u> Prep SV will be borrowing books on <u>Wednesdays.</u>

### Home Learning -

Home learning will continue to be sent out via SeeSaw on a <u>Monday</u>. The activities are a great opportunity for your family to become involved in the learning process and are an extension of the learning that has taken place in the classroom.

In Term Three, the children will receive <u>two</u> reading books each Monday. These books are to be kept for the week. The books which are sent home are at a level which is considered 'easy' for your child. We want the home reading experience to be a positive one for your family. The books that your child is reading in the classroom are targeted to challenge and extend their reading skills. Please sign the home reading journal each time you read with your child and make sure to pack their complete reading folder to be seen by the class teacher each Monday.

## Health and Physical Education with Mrs McLeary

This term students will explore a variety of movement ideas within the Gymnastics unit; working on ways to balance, turn, roll and build routines. They will continue to develop their Fundamental Motor Skills and refine the actions while jumping, running and throwing. Students will begin to understand the link between physical activity and health, and discuss how activities make them feel "out of breath" and how "their heart beats faster".

#### Performing Arts with Ms Stanton

In Term Three of Performing Arts students will be fully immersed in the process of mounting a theatrical production by rehearsing and performing in the whole school concert "Trinity Primary: Calling All Heroes". Through participation in games, exercises and activities that reflect real-world theatre practices and processes, students will work together with their classmates to learn, practise, and perform a class song and dance as characters.

The school concert will be held at Hawthorn Town Hall on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Science with Ms Colleen

#### Moving Objects

In Term 3, Prep students will be learning about Physical Sciences and how things move. Leading up to National Science Week, students will be integrating Science and Visual Arts to create models and artwork that represent how bees achieve flight and move. They will create paper Robo Copters and kites and observe how kites are able to fly and stay up in the air. They will compare the unique movement of bee wings to how planes, helicopters and birds achieve flight. This year's theme for National Science Week is *Species Survival - More than just sustainability* and students will investigate the threats tobBee populations and propose solutions to preserve bee diversity. Students will investigate how push and pull is used in everyday life to move objects.

#### Visual Arts with Ms Colleen

#### Moving Art

Students in Prep will integrate Visual Arts and Science in the lead up to National Science Week. As they investigate the threat to bees, they will make artistic representations of how bees are able to fly. Students will construct bee shaped kites, adding their own artistic ideas. They will display and fly their kites as an artistic expression of the importance of preserving bee populations during Science week in Week 5 of Term 3. Students will continue to explore construction in art using polymer clays and collage. They will explore Aboriginal art and communicate their meaning.

## Key Dates:

Monday Morning Assembly: 8:45am (Soccer Oval) Friday Afternoon Assembly: 2.35pm (Multi Purpose Room) Tuesday 30th July: Preps 100 days of School Celebration Monday 16th September: School Concert - Hawthorn Town Hall Friday 20th September: Term 3 Ends