

# PREP CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

## TERM 4, 2020

**PREPT - TEAGAN, RM 16**  
**PREPC - CELESTE, RM 15**  
**PREPH - HAYLEY, RM 17**

### WELCOME BACK!

We know that students, teachers and parents alike are SO happy to return to on-site learning.

We loved seeing our students' faces as they ran into the classroom excitedly for the first time in what felt like forever. Everyone has settled in really quickly and we are all looking forward to enjoying the rest of our year together. 😊

### ENGLISH

**Reading:** Students will be exploring the features, structure and purpose of narrative texts. We will learn about and discuss the characters, settings, problems & solutions found in narratives. We will also explore the features and purpose of procedural texts and letters. Students will continue to develop their comprehension skills using various strategies such as visualising, predicting and making connections to texts.

**Writing:** Students will use their knowledge of narrative texts to draft, edit and publish their own narrative. Students will also participate in language experiences which will support them in adding detail and new vocabulary to their writing pieces. We will also explore the different reasons for writing a letter.

**Speaking and Listening:** This term we are continuing to build upon our speaking and listening skills by sharing our ideas in small groups, whole class discussions and Show & Tell sessions. We will also perform short plays using puppets to orally retell various narratives.

### MATHS

This term in Maths, we are learning about 2D and 3D shapes and comparing their features. Students will be exploring the concept of division and learning to use various strategies to solve division problems through sharing. Students will also be exploring the topics of chance, money and time.

### INQUIRY

This Inquiry topic for this term is 'My Place'. Students will be exploring:

- the rules and values of Altona Green
- how to be a good friend and role model to classmates
- how to resolve conflicts with friends
- how to be safe and seek help
- how to look after our school community

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### October

22<sup>nd</sup> – Book Week Dress Up Day

23<sup>rd</sup> – Grand Final Day Public Holiday

30<sup>th</sup> – Prep Halloween Fun Day

#### November

2<sup>nd</sup> – Curriculum Day (Pupil-free day)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday

#### December

18<sup>th</sup> - Last day of Term 4

### OTHER INFORMATION

#### **Art Smocks**

Please ensure your child has an art smock which can be kept at school for Art lessons. An old t-shirt is fine to use.

#### **iPads**

Please ensure your child has their iPad each day, fully charged and with the required apps installed. Please speak to your child's teacher if you need an app list.

#### **Independence**

Please encourage your child to build on their independence by encouraging them to pack and unpack their own school bag, open and close their own lunch containers and put on and remove their own jumper or jacket.

#### **Uniform**

In Term 4, students are required to wear a hat when playing or learning outside. Please ensure that their hat, as well as any other personal items, are clearly labelled so that any misplaced items can be returned.

