The Prep end of the Boorai is always such a busy place to be! The last fortnight has been no exception.

Our weekly STOMP lessons are proving to be an absolute highlight of our week. We have seen a huge improvement in the students’ gross motor skills and their ability to move in time with the beat of the music. They are now confidently counting beats and bars of music and completing sequences of steps to match. We cannot thank our teacher Makayla enough for her supportive and enthusiastic teaching each week. As teachers we hope that you can all come along next Monday afternoon at 2:30pm to see our hard work pay off in the end of program performance.

Last week our word of the week was ‘JAM’ and the sentence of the week was “He will just have jam”. We thought it would be fun to get the students practising some real-world skills by making their own jam sandwiches as part of our weekly ‘shared spelling experience. We first read a procedural text to make sure we all understood the steps we needed to complete in order to successfully make our sandwiches. We then gathered our equipment and ingredients safely before carefully spreading the jam across the bread so as not make any holes. It was clear that many of our students must make their own toast and sandwiches at home because they were experts.

We have been exploring ordinal numbers in Maths. To help our students understand ordinal numbers in context, we completed lots of car and paper plane races. All students had to ensure they started from the exact same starting position, before pushing their car or plane as far they could go. We then used ordinal number labels to identify the position of each car and plane. It was so nice to be able to do our maths lessons outside in the winter sunshine.

It is getting to the time of term when many students are feeling tired and possibly even unwell. We would like to let families know that we do understand that illness happens and when it does, the best place for our little people is at home where they can rest and recover until they are well again.

We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable weekend.