



Term 1 Prep Overview 2024

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Welcome to Prep at Trinity! Our goal this year is to empower our students with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in school. We recognise the significance of nurturing strong relationships within our school community and firmly believe that these connections are fundamental to establishing a truly enriching and successful learning environment. If you have any concerns or would like to stay updated on your child's progress, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you!

Religion and Inquiry

During Term One, the Prep students will explore the idea of community and what it means to belong. They will explore the relevance of names, places and people within our community.

Students will:

- *share stories of their families and learn more about our diverse communities*
- *learn about Sacred Spaces and how to pray*
- *investigate the origins and importance of their names*
- *discuss the different names we call God and the meaning behind these*
- *explore our neighbourhood and learn about local community members who help us*

Literacy

This term, students will engage in a variety of literacy experiences to develop their skills.

Students will:

- *focus on phonics and phonemic awareness*
- *orally blend and segment sounds in words*
- *learn how to write their names correctly*
- *recall one or two events from a text (picture story books, big books, class made books and non fiction texts)*
- *identify connections between texts and personal experiences*
- *identify and describe likes and dislikes about texts, objects, characters, and events*

Maths

In term one students will focus on applying a variety of mathematical concepts using real life and role play experiences.

Students will:

- create, make and continue patterns
- sequence days of the week and times of day including morning, lunchtime, afternoon and night time
- read and write numbers
- count (forwards and backwards)
- count groups and collections of objects

Wellbeing

In term one students will focus on naming and labelling our emotions.

Students will:

- explore how emotions can change the way their body feels for example, "When I am scared my knees can feel shaky"
- Use picture story books and role play to explore how we can de-escalate ourselves when we are feeling upset so we are ready to learn

Digital Technology

Students will use a variety of different technology tools to supplement classroom learning. They will be introduced to iPads, Chromebooks and Beebots.

Library

Students will be introduced to the library and be 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. Preps will be borrowing books on Tuesdays.

Health and Physical Education with Mrs McLeary

Prep students will have sport on Fridays and will be required to wear their sports uniform on this day.

During term one students will practise the fundamental movement skills of run, jump, hop and skip. They will practise these skills using different body parts and in a variety of settings.

Students will also develop their understanding of basic games emphasising the need for rules and safety.

Mandarin with Mr Su

Thursdays

In Term 1, Prep students will start their Mandarin learning journey through exploring daily greetings and phrases for class routines. They will build up their fundamental understanding of the language by learning vocabularies and expressions around numbers and colours. Students, therefore, are immersed in the sounds and spoken words of Mandarin, the meaning of which is made clear through participation in a range of activities. In addition, students will also explore the basic features of the unique writing system using Chinese characters.

Performing Arts with Ms Stanton

Thursdays

In Term One of Performing Arts, students will engage in improvisational games and imagination exercises to build a sense of ensemble. They will build narratives as a group and will enhance their personal and social capability by naming and practising the skills needed to successfully work together. While the foundation of this class is drama, we will be introducing some elements of music this term, as students use a familiar story to inspire character choices and create a soundscape that is reflective of the setting.

Science with Ms Colleen

Mondays

The changing environment

This term prep students will be recording and discussing their observations of the changing environment. They will observe changes in the daily weather and how humans modify their behaviour and dress for different conditions, including examples from different cultures. Students will conduct practical activities that aim to demonstrate the changing environment. Students will investigate how plants and animals adapt to changing weather conditions and develop an understanding of how scientists might record their observations.

Visual Art

Thursdays

Key Dates:

Monday Morning Assembly: 8:45am (Soccer Oval)

Friday Afternoon Assembly: 2.45pm (Multi Purpose Room)

Thursday 8th Feb - Parent Teacher Chats

Thursday 15th Feb - Welcome Multicultural Family Night 5:30pm - 7.30pm

Monday 4th March - Preps full week at school

Monday 11th March - Labour Day Holiday

Wednesday 15th March - Prep Welcome Picnic 3:15pm

Monday 25th March - School Photos