



Term 4 Prep Overview 2024

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Religion and Inquiry -

In Term Four, our Prep students will explore traditional fairy tales while learning to think creatively and use their imagination to change and adapt characters. They will also connect this storytelling with the Christmas Advent story, learning how stories and traditions can inspire creativity and new ideas.

This term, our Prep students will be involved in Fire Ed for Foundation, a fire safety education program by Fire Rescue Victoria (FRV). Over two to three weeks, firefighters will visit the school twice, while classroom activities will be completed to reinforce key fire safety lessons. Parents, teachers, and firefighters will collaborate to ensure children learn essential fire safety skills.

Literacy -

In Term Four, our Prep students will be introduced to narratives, helping them understand how stories are built. They will learn about the key parts of a simple narrative, including characters, settings, and the sequence of events (beginning, middle, and end). Through fun activities, your child will explore how stories are told, using their imagination to create their own. This will help develop their language skills and encourage creative thinking.

Our literacy program will include:

- Comprehension Strategies: Using comprehension strategies, students will discuss texts that they listen to and read.
- Exposure to Literature: Students will be exposed to traditional fairy tales such as, Jack and the Beanstalk, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and the Gingerbread Man.
- Literacy Development: 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 punctuation such as exclamation marks and question marks, and digraphs and trigraphs (tch, ng, ph, wh).

Maths -

In Term 4 Maths, we will explore important concepts like data, location, and counting, along with understanding place value. Your child will also learn about measurement, including length, mass, capacity, and time, through hands-on activities that make these concepts fun and engaging.

Wellbeing -

This term, we will continue focusing on our Positive Behaviour for Learning, helping students understand what positive behaviour looks like in the classroom. We will also begin preparing your child for the transition to Grade 1, building confidence and readiness for the next step in their school journey.

Digital Technology -

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

Students will:

- Publish their narrative writing using word processing software
- Be exposed to creative apps such as PicCollage and Popplet to creatively share their ideas
- Use the Osmo programs to build on their literacy skills
- Be introduced to the coding program Scratch Jr.

Outdoor Education Program -

As part of our outdoor education program, this Term our Prep students will be participating in a Bike Education session at Kew Traffic School. This session will provide a safe, supervised environment for students to learn and practice essential bike riding and road safety skills. It's a great opportunity for hands-on learning in a realistic traffic setting.

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 Tuesdays. Prep SV will be borrowing books on Wednesdays.

Home Learning -

Home learning will continue to be sent out via SeeSaw on a Monday. 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 Four, the children will receive two 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

Performing Arts with Ms Stanton

In Term Four of Performing Arts, students will utilise storybooks to explore dramatic play, dance ideas, and creative movement. Using mentor texts, improv games, and teacher-led process drama, students will build on their knowledge of character creation and practice responding to situations as a character. During ensemble rehearsals they will focus on using gesture, voice and expression to portray a role and will challenge themselves to sustain this role through the entirety of a readers theatre performance.

Key Dates:

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

Friday Afternoon Assembly: 2.35pm (Multi Purpose Room)

Tuesday 15th October: Firefighter Visit One 10am

Wednesday 30th October: Grandparents and Special Friends Morning

Thursday 31st October: Firefighter Visit Two 10am

Monday 4th November: School Closure Day

Tuesday 5th November: Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Tuesday 12th November: Prep Outdoor Ed Afternoon (students will be picked up at 5pm)

Monday 25th November - Friday 6 December: Swimming Program

Wednesday 11th December: Prep Nativity Performance

Tuesday 17th December: Students last day of Prep!