





PREP WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WEEKS: 3 & 4	TERM: 4	BIRTHDAYS	
Beginning:	21st October	<p>October Birthdays- Bailey-1st Matthew-5th Evie-23rd</p> <p>November Birthdays- Hamish. C-13th Oscar-17th Noah.F-21st Denice-23rd Puok-28th Joshua-30th</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">TERM 4 -time to be Sunsmart and wear our sunscreen and our school hat outside.</p>  <p style="text-align: center; color: blue;">*hats will be returned to students on their last day of school</p>	MONDAY		
	TUESDAY		
	WEDNESDAY	<p>Stem with Mrs Sombekke Library- with Mrs Janine Standfield (Prep D) <i>Mrs Dimovski's class need to bring their library bags and library books to school on this day</i> Auslan- with Ms Herrmann (Prep I)</p>	
	THURSDAY	<p>Physical Education with Mrs Susan Michelsson - ALL PREPS TO WEAR SPORTS UNIFORM Performing Arts with Miss Rebecca Rawlins Library- with Mrs Janine Standfield (Prep I) <i>Miss Italiano's class need to bring their library bags and library books to school on this day</i> Auslan- with Ms Herrmann (Prep D)</p>	
	FRIDAY	<p>Prep Sport (Sports Uniform and sneakers) Assembly- 2:45 pm- Meet in the quadrangle</p>	
	Please Check Operoo for Prep Camp Day and Excursion Permission Forms		
	Some updates and information about things that are happening within the classroom are often posted on Seesaw. The purpose of the App is to showcase student work and for parents to comment on the work for their child. <i>The only way to communicate with staff at the moment is either via a phone call or an email.</i>		
KIDS CAFE MONEY	Please ensure that your child brings no more than a total of 3 dollars to school on a Thursday or Friday for spending money at Kid's Cafe.		
RELIGION 	<p>TOPIC: We are called to look after God's Creation Students will be exploring how God's love is shown to us in nature and in the world. As they are introduced to the seven days of God's Creation, students will explore ways we can look after each other and the world around us.</p>		

LITERACY



In week 3, our spelling focus will be 'ed' and 'ing' word patterns. In week 4, our spelling focus will be 'open and closed syllables' and 'closed and closed syllables' vowel constant review. Please use this [LINK](#) to help your child practise the **LLLL Speed Sounds & Chants** at home. This will show you the way that we learn the sounds of the alphabet and also reinforce your child's learning at school.

HOME DECODABLE BOOKS



Students will receive a new Decodable Book to bring home at the beginning of each week. ***Your child should be practising to read the same book at home every day.*** Before reading, revise the Speed sounds and the Heart words that can be found at the back of each book. Following this, you can:

Talk about the book

Look at the front cover and:

- Ask your child to read the title out loud, tracking their finger under each word as they read it.
- Introduce the characters your child will meet in the book
- Explore the illustrations. For example, ask: Can you point to the map?

During reading

Read and enjoy the book

- Ask your child to read out loud, tracking their finger under each word as they read
- Support your child if they are stuck by asking them to sound out and then blend the sounds together to read the word. When they have decoded the word, go back and re-read the sentence together.

After reading

Ask some of the "Questions to talk about" which can also be found at the back of each book. See if your child is able to recall some of the characters and/or key events.

MATHS



TOPIC: Count and Place Value

For the next four weeks, students will revise keep aspects of number and place value studied earlier in the year. In addition, new concepts will be introduced such as counting to and from 100, sorting and identifying Australian coins and representing two digit numbers with materials.

INQUIRY



TOPIC: 'Wonderful Weather'

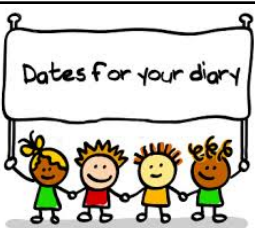
Students will observe changes that occur in the sky and landscape. They will explore daily and seasonal changes that affect everyday life.



Labels on belongings

Please ensure that your child's name is clearly marked on their belongings. This includes uniforms (especially outer clothing such as jumpers), lunch boxes and drink bottles.

The student's school hats will remain at school in their class or individual tubs - this ensures all children have their hats for going outside. **Please ensure names are marked.**



Some dates for your diary-

- ☺ 30th October - **Melbourne Museum and IMAX Excursion**
- ☺ 1st November - **Prep Camp Day**
- ☺ 4th November- **Closure Day**
- ☺ 5th November- **Public Holiday**
- ☺ 11th November- **Remembrance Day**

	*Please note that some times and events may change. Please check for updates in the fortnightly newsletter/Audiri (Skoolbag) App.
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