

Pre Primary

Term 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to Term Two. We are looking forward to another productive term. The children seem happy to be back after a well-deserved break. This term we are focusing on the following concepts within each learning area.

Religious Education

- My Family
- Thanking God For Our Feelings
- God Created Everything

English

This term we will continue to use the Soundwaves Spelling Program, complimented by other support programs. Following on from Term One is our focus on oral language. We are working both individually and in small groups to increase our confidence and vocabulary. We encourage you to do the same with our take home comprehension picture books.

We are continuing to look at the concepts of print. When reading with your child, please remind them of the following points:

- There is a difference between letters and words.
- There is a difference between words and sentences.
- That words are separated by spaces.
- That there are punctuation marks that signal the end of a sentence.
- That stories have a beginning, middle and end.
- That text is read from left to right and from top to bottom.

In addition, we have also begun to identify exclamation, question and speech marks within written texts.

We will continue to talk about the characters and setting of a story. Over the following seven weeks we will experiment with the sequencing of stories and will begin to identify and write about the beginning, middle and end of narratives.

Maths

The students are working successfully through their iMaths books. This term we will identify and differentiate between 2D and 3D shapes. We will also focus on number recognition, counting, addition and weight. Every day we incorporate mental math into our timetable and enjoy the challenge.

History - Jenny Connelly

Throughout Term Two all the Pre Primary children will be learning about the History topic 'How Families Remember'.

We will be completing many exciting activities and reading a variety of books discussing 'Heroes' and what personal qualities we all have to become a hero. Our interesting topic will begin with our remembrance of our Australian heroes, The ANZACS.

We are really looking forward to another interesting term.

Science

This term we will work through the Primary Connections unit, 'Staying Alive'. In this unit, students investigate how animals rely on their environment to survive. They are introduced to the concept that all living things have basic requirements that need to be met, for example water and space.

Library

This term children will continue to swap their library books on a Thursday. Please ensure your child remembers their book and library bag.

Health

Passenger Safety: This focus area teaches the children how to be safe when travelling as a passenger. The children will learn to make responsible decisions to ensure their own safety and the safety of others. They will also learn about cooperation and how to communicate effectively with others. This term the students will participate in an incursion by KidSafe. The incursion will cover key injury prevention topics on safety at home, safety while playing and safety on the road.

Physical Education

Children will continue to have physical education each Tuesday with Ms Jodi Newton.

We look forward to another great term with you and your children.

Warm regards

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