

TERM 3 2021 OVERVIEW

Prep

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone.

I hope that you all enjoyed the term break with your family and friends. The children all look happy and refreshed and ready to go!

If at any stage you have any concerns **PLEASE** arrange a time to see me as early as possible. That way we can work together to solve the problem.

Looking forward to another wonderful term.



Term 3 in Prep is set to be another exciting and busy term. Our focus this Term in our Investigation time is about design and technology. The curiosity of the children will be tapped into with an engaging incursion called Toys Over Time on the 27th of July. They will be exploring toys from the past, what they were used for, how they worked and what they were made from. New toys today will be explored with the sharing of their favourite toys. Students will design their own new toy or game using a variety of materials. The children will also be working in pairs and small groups to complete design and technology challenges to promote their creativity, thinking, communication and co-operative skills. The Preps will again visit the Kitchen Classroom in weeks 3 and 9 this term. In week 3 on Wednesday the 28th of July Prep B will celebrate 100 Days of schools by dressing up and having celebratory activities. We will conclude the term with A “Teddy Bear Picnic” where students will have a special night at school on the 8th of September to complete some fun activities.

ENGLISH

In Literacy students will:

- revise letter/sound relationships and the correct formation of all upper and lower case letters
- use a writing checklist to assist in making sense of written work
- begin Smart Spelling activities with a focus on vowels, blends and digraphs
- develop their knowledge and understanding of procedural, narrative and descriptive texts

MATHEMATICS

In Numeracy students will:

- explore the duration of time
- develop their knowledge and understanding of the place value of numbers beyond 10
- add and subtract using numbers to and beyond 10
- use mental maths strategies to solve simple problems
- explore location and transformation
- exploring money in play situations

INVESTIGATIONS

Investigations will run 3 mornings a week (Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9-11am) and are an integral part of the Prep curriculum. These sessions will promote opportunities for students to interact and work constructively with others and further develop their friendships. Provocations this term will be based around Literacy and Numeracy learning intentions, toys and creative thinking. Parent Helpers are warmly welcomed. If you would like to assist in Investigations please complete the [“Parent Helpers Form”](#)

TIMETABLE

Each week students have Art, Music, Physical Education and Music. The timetable is as follows:

VISUAL ARTS	MONDAY 12:30—1:30
PERFORMING ARTS	THURSDAY 12:50—1:30
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	THURSDAY 11:30—12:10
JAPANESE	THURSDAY 12:10—12:50
LIBRARY	WEDNESDAY 2:30—3:00

SPECIALISTS

Physical Education in Term 3 will provide the opportunity for the Prep students to revise and practise a number of movement skills such as throwing, catching, running and jumping during the playground games unit. They will explore different games and activities that require minimal equipment.

The Preps will continue to practise the safe use of equipment by following instructions, simple rules and procedures for safe movement.

The Foundation students will be introduced to new words for fruits, shapes and simple adjectives (big, small, etc). They are learning these words through using the book 'Harapeko Aomushi' which is a very famous picture book 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle translated into Japanese.

During Performing Arts, Preps will be learning their song and dance routine for this year's school production. Later in the term, we will continue to play musical games that help develop an understanding of how tempo and dynamics are used to enhance music. We will also experiment with the BoomWhackers and Xylophones to perform short melodies.

I look forward to an exciting Term ahead and please feel free to approach me with any questions or concerns.

Josephine Ball

Monday July 12

Term 3 Starts

Tuesday July 27

Toys Incursion

Wednesday July 28

100 Days of Prep

Thursday July 29

Kitchen Classroom

Tuesday August 3

Production Dress Rehearsal

August 4 & 5

Production

Wednesday August 11

Mini Olympics

August 23-27

Book Week

Wednesday August 25

Book Week Dress Up Day

Adam Wallace Incursion

Friday September 3

Father's Day Stall

Wednesday September 8

Teddy Bears Picnic

Thursday September 9

Kitchen Classroom

Friday September 17

Footy Day

End of term 2:30pm finish