

PREP NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 2017



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 2. Our students have settled well into the new term and it has been encouraging to see them becoming so much more independent. We have another very busy term ahead with many exciting activities planned.

Inquiry Learning

In term 2, our students will be exploring the people who have occupations and conduct activities that support our community. Different speakers will be visiting our module to give our students an insight into their role in our community.

Homework

Prep students are expected to read every day with an adult or older sibling. They may be able to read their Take Home book independently or it may be a shared reading time. Students should be encouraged to point to each word during shared reading and to use picture clues to help interpret text. They are also expected to practice words from the Magic 100 Words. Students will continue to have a page in their homework book related to the letter/sound being taught that week. We ask that you guide your child to practise writing the letter and draw pictures or find cuttings from magazines representing that letter. This term students will also be given their Reading Eggs and Mathseeds user name and passwords so that they can utilize these online programs at home. These programs reinforce concepts taught at school.

Nude Food

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday we promote healthy eating and encourage the students to bring nude food. Nude Food is food without paper or plastic wrappers. We encourage you to send food in washable, reusable containers or fruits in its natural wrapper.

Fruit Break and Water Bottles

Each morning the students have a short fresh fruit break. We would appreciate if your child could bring a small piece of fruit or cut vegetables/fruit (carrot stick, banana, celery, apple) in a separate container. Your child should also have a named water bottle so that they are able to keep hydrated during class time.

Puppet Show

Our students will be enjoying a puppet show presented by Don't Move Puppet Theatre with some of the kinder children on the 29th or 30th May. A notice about the puppet show was sent out last week.



Special Lunch Days

A Hot Dog Lunch will be held on the 9th May and a Noodle Lunch on the 31st May. Notices regarding these lunches will be sent out.

Mother's Day Stall

A Mother's Day stall will be held on Friday 12th May. Students will be able to select and purchase from a variety of small gifts. If you wish your child to purchase a gift, please send along money in a named envelope or wallet together with a named plastic bag on this day. A Mother's Day raffle will also be drawn. Raffle tickets need to be returned prior to this date.

Education Week

Education week will be celebrated from the 22nd to 26th May. Families are invited to visit modules during our Open Afternoon on Tuesday 16th of May. More information regarding Open Afternoon will be supplied closer to the date.

Book Fair

A Book Fair will be held at James Cook from 19th to 24th May. Families will have the opportunity to purchase books supplied by Scholastic Books. Proceeds from the Book Fair allow the school to purchase resources for use in our Literacy program.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on the 28th June. This is an opportunity to chat with your child's teacher to discuss their achievements. Information regarding the online process will be sent home later in the term.

Parent Helpers

We love having parents helping in the module. If you are interested please see one of the Prep teachers. Helpers must hold a current 'Working with Children' card.

We look forward to another exciting term.

The Prep Team,

Juli Petch (Team Leader), Sandra Hemer and Brad Clement,

Fiona Janssen, Natalie Maizey and Victor Filipelli (Education Support Staff)