

Prep

Term 1 Outline 2021

Literacy

READING & VIEWING

In Reading, children will be encouraged to:

- Participate in joint reading of a familiar book or poem.
- Understand the concepts of print – front and back cover, spine, where to begin reading and the direction in which we read.
- Read some different types of literary texts.
- Develop their understanding of letters, words and sentences.
- Point to the words when reading aloud.
- Recognise that texts are created by authors who tell stories and share experiences that may be similar or different to the students' own experiences.

WRITING:

In Writing, children will be encouraged to:

- Retell familiar texts through use of illustrations and images.
- Understand the connection between writing, reading and speaking.
- Develop their understanding of writing conventions – moving left to right across a page and from top to bottom.

HANDWRITING:

In Handwriting, children will:

- Develop correct pencil grip and posture.
- Be introduced to correct letter formations.
- Develop their fine motor skills.
- Practise writing every day.

SPEAKING AND LISTENING:

In Speaking and Listening, the children will be encouraged to:

- Respond and share feelings about texts, identifying favourite authors, stories and illustrators.
- Understand that English is one of the many languages spoken in Australia and that different languages may be spoken by family, classmates and the community.

Home Reading and CPS Magic Words

All children will begin to bring home one home reading book to read with you every night. We ask that all parents to fill in the Home Reading Record in the yellow bags every day after reading the book. Our CPS Magic Words are an important part of our reading program at school. You will have a small booklet that the children use to practise these at home. Your child's classroom teacher will test your child and move them on to the next level when they are ready.



Numeracy

NUMBER AND ALGEBRA:

In Number, the children will be learning....

- How to use and care for Maths resources.
- To recognise, count and make single digit numbers.
- To understand what 0 means.
- To write numbers correctly.

MEASUREMENT AND GEOMETRY:

In Measurement, the children will learn.....

- To name 2D shapes.
- To recognise some 2D shapes in our environment.

Welfare

The Zones of Regulation

The ZONES of Regulation will be introduced to all students during term 1. Students will be looking into each zone and developing common language to express emotions, behaviours and strategies. Students will develop a common language to articulate thoughts and feelings and develop a toolkit of strategies to navigate their environments.

Inquiry



Our Inquiry unit in Term 1 will be based around our topic 'Where in the world do we come from?'. Students will explore different family units and share their own with the class. They will explore a range of different cultures from around the world. Prep students will celebrate their differences on Multicultural Day (information to come) where they will embrace the things that make them different and celebrate that we are all Australian.

Important Dates

Prep Assessments – Wednesdays throughout February

Prep Information Session – Wednesday 24th February

Labour Day Public Holiday – Monday 8th March

Parent-Teacher Interviews – Wednesday 10th March

Harmony Week - Monday 15th March to Friday 19th March

Book Fair - Monday 15th March to Friday 19th March

Rides Day – Friday 26th March

End of Term 1 – Thursday 1st April at 2.30pm