Welcome to Term 4
Welcome back to our final term for the year. The students have returned refreshed with beaming smiles and have enjoyed sharing their holiday adventures and catching up with their friends.
This term will be a busy one with our swimming program, an excursion to the museum, a Fairy Tale incursion, community walks and VIP days just to name a few.

Term 4 Diary Dates
- Museum Excursion
  Wednesday 28th November
- Fairy Tale Incursion, date to be advised
- Swimming Program
  Each Thursday & Friday from 8th – 30th November

Please note the revised swimming times
- Prep A – 1pm - 1:45pm
- Prep B - 1:45 – 2:30pm
- Prep C – 12pm – 12:45pm
- Prep D – 11:15 – 12pm

Term 4 Specialist Timetable
With a new term, we have a new timetable.
Please note the days of your child’s lessons:

Prep A:
- Monday- Library
- Tuesday- Performing Arts & Visual Art
- Wednesday-ICT & Phys. Ed

Prep B:
- Monday- ICT
- Tuesday-Visual Art
- Wednesday- Phys. Ed & Performing Arts
- Thursday- Library

Prep C:
- Monday- ICT
- Tuesday-Phys. Ed & Library
- Wednesday- Performing Arts & Visual Art

Prep D:
- Monday- Library,
- Tuesday- Phys. Ed and Performing Arts
- Wednesday- Visual Art & ICT

Students who participate in CRE instruction (Christian Religious Educations) attend lessons on a Monday afternoon.

An Appreciation
We would like to thank all our wonderful parents and grandparents who gave up their time to help us last term with literacy activities. The children and teachers loved your involvement.
It is greatly appreciated! 😊

Library
A reminder to all families, that students require a library bag in order to be able to borrow. The students are able to borrow one book each week, provided that they have returned their last book.

School Arrival/Drop Off
Thank you so much for your assistance last term by encouraging your children to enter the learning zone in the morning by themselves. It has been wonderful to see the children’s confidence grow and how proud they are of themselves being responsible for unpacking their bags, handing in notices and passing on messages to us.

Our expectation is all Prep students will do this now.
**Numeracy**
This term in numeracy, the students will continue to extend their skills in number, through skip counting (by 2s, 5s, 10s), addition and subtraction as well as being introduced to informal units of measurement (length, mass, capacity, time & money).

**Stop Press!!! 😊**

**VIP (Very Important Prep) Days**
This term we will be having VIP Days where each student will be a VIP for the day. The children will be encouraged to bring some items from home to share with their class and they will be made to feel very special and appreciated by their friends and teachers. A note with all the dates and details will be sent home later this term.

**Literacy helpers**
The helpers sign in sheet will be posted on the notice board in Week 3 (Monday 22nd October) for activities beginning the following week.

**Inquiry Unit**
This term the whole school inquiry theme is ‘Creativity.’ Within this, the Prep’s unit is entitled “Topsy Turvy Tales.” As the name suggests, the major focus is investigating fairy tales and other fables. We will be using De Bono’s green hat to think creatively, originally and imaginatively.

The rationale for the unit is: ‘Understanding how to be curious and being creative helps when we want to design and build something ourselves.’

A number of essential questions underpin the unit, including:
1. How can we be creative and curious?
2. What can we learn from Fairy Tales?
3. How can we design and make things using different materials?

Students will be introduced to this inquiry with a ‘curious cat,’ who looks at the world through ponderous eyes.

The students will be reading a number of fairy tales during this unit. Following each story, the students add new characters to a ‘character wall’ which will serve as a ‘menu’ for when students are ready to select a character for puppet making and set designing.

**Walking**
Walking will resume this term and a roster will be on the notice board next week.

We are looking forward to another wonderful term
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Please feel free to drop us a line anytime.

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