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Congratulations to all our wonderful Preps and Prep families on the fantastic way they have adjusted to school life. We have all been so impressed how quickly everyone settled in during Term 1 and are equally as impressed with the smooth start we have had in Term 2. This term will be long and busy with lots of fun and learning to be had!

Reminders:

School hats are not compulsory in Terms 2 & 3. Hats are only required in Terms 1 and 4.

Assembly takes place every Friday morning at 9am. (22nd April Assembly at 3pm for special ANZAC ceremony)

Important dates:

**MAY:**
- 3rd Tuesday—School Photos
- 4th Wednesday—House Cross Country
- 5th Thursday—Mother’s Day Stall
- 18th Monday—Grandparents and Special Friends Day
- 30th Monday—Curriculum Day

**JUNE:**
- 13th Monday—Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- 24th Friday—Last Day of Term 2

Please keep your eye out in the newsletter and in your child’s book bag for more information regarding these events. Dates subject to change. Any changes will be noted in the newsletter.
Inquiry Unit:

In Term 1 we explored identity and our place within our families and the school and local communities. We met local fire fighters, veterinarians and nurses. This term students will be exploring diversity. We are going on an international journey to explore foods, songs, artworks and other significant features of various countries.

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Take Home Books and Magic Words

It is wonderful to see the Prep students reading their take home readers and Magic Words every night. The children have the opportunity to change their readers daily. Reading take home books should be a positive experience that fosters a life long love of reading. The children are tested regularly on their automatic recall of Magic Words.

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Curriculum:

**Numeracy:** This term we are focusing on number recognition, writing numbers forwards and backwards to 20, ordinal numbers, days of the week and ordering events and objects from smallest to largest.

**Literacy:** Some concepts we will be exploring this term include comprehension strategies, exploring letter sound relationships, sounding out words; initial, middle and end sounds and using finger spaces between words.

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Communication:

Don’t forget to check you child’s book bag and diary every day for any important notices and information. Feel free to pop in and see Linda, Christina or Julie anytime with any queries or concerns.

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Thank you:

We just want to say a BIG thank you to all the parents who are helping out in our classrooms. Your assistance plays an important role and the children love it dearly. If you would like to help out, please see your child’s teacher.
Prep Specialist Timetable Term 2

**Prep A:**
Monday Library 12-1pm
Tuesday PE 12-1pm, Performing Arts 1-2pm
Wednesday LOTE 10-11am, Art 2:30-3:30pm
Thursday
Friday

**Prep B:**
Monday Library 12-1pm
Tuesday Performing Arts 12-1pm, LOTE 1-2pm
Wednesday PE 10-11am
Thursday Art 10-11am
Friday

**Prep C:**
Monday Library 12-1pm
Tuesday LOTE 12-1pm, PE 1-2pm
Wednesday Performing Arts 10-11am
Thursday Art 12-1pm
Friday

Please note this timetable may vary.