Dear Parents,

We have enjoyed our first three weeks with your children and we look forward to a happy and rewarding year. On Monday, the Prep children attend School Assembly in the Hall. All parents are welcome to attend.

Next week the children will visit the grade 6’s in their classrooms. They will deliver their cards to their grade 6 buddy.

**STAR OF THE DAY**

Each day one child is chosen to be the ‘Star of the Day.’ They are the special person for the day. They are the leader of the line and attend to any jobs that are needed with the help of a friend.

**REMININDERS**

1. Please return notices as soon as possible.
2. Could all Prep children please have a spare pair of undies in their bag (in case of an accident). We are very short of spare pants in the Health Centre.

**LOST PROPERTY**

There is a lost property wooden box outside the Eucalyptus Building, so please check there if your child has lost any uniform items, etc.

Please name all articles including lunch box /drink bottle, smocks, etc., so they can be returned if found.

**PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT**

The Grade 6 helpers have been helping to look after the Prep children during recess and lunchtime.

We would appreciate you talking to your child about correct play procedures e.g. waiting your turn, sliding down the slide not climbing up it, and playing appropriately on the equipment.

**CLASS HELPERS**

We will be starting PMP, Measurement and Problem Solving Maths and we will have a Science morning shortly. We will require helpers in all classes for these activities. Teachers will place list of times when helpers are required outside the classroom door. Please help us by volunteering and placing your name on the lists.

If you missed the parent helper session this week and would like to be on the roster to assist with Literacy, please let your child’s teacher know.

**SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM**

**SCHOOL NURSE VISIT**

Belinda Lock, a visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development will be attending the school during term two to conduct the Prep grade health assessments and to see other children as requested by parents or teachers (with parents’ consent).

The purpose of the visit is to provide all Victorian children with the opportunity to have a health assessment; to link children, families and school communities to services available in the community; and to provide information and advice that promotes health and wellbeing.

Parents are invited to visit or telephone the visiting primary school nurse if there are any general child health issues they wish to discuss. The contact number for the visiting primary school nurse is 9265 2400.

This completed Referral form needs to be returned to the school office by 28th February 2012.

**INFORMATION FOR PREP PARENTS:**

Did your child start Prep this year? Would you like tips on how to support your child in their first year at school?

Then subscribe to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development’s new weekly Prep for Parents email.

You will be sent an email every Wednesday during school term that will include tips, advice and information about the day-to-day experiences children have in the classroom and things you can do at home to assist and encourage your child.

To subscribe to Prep for Parents, see:


Thanking you,
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