

## Prep Newsletter - Term 3 2025

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 3 of Prep! This newsletter is filled with all the necessary routines and procedures for Term 3. Our priority is your child's needs, education, safety and success, so please feel free to discuss any issues or concerns that you might have. We take pride in having good communication and partnerships with our parents as this leads to student success. Please email us if you have any questions or concerns or contact us through Class Dojo. Email: Lauren [laspi9@eq.edu.au](mailto:laspi9@eq.edu.au), Samantha [sxhum0@eq.edu.au](mailto:sxhum0@eq.edu.au) and Ashleigh [akuen0@eq.edu.au](mailto:akuen0@eq.edu.au). Class Dojo is the main point of contact that we use in the classroom to keep families informed. If you are yet to set this up, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

Class Routines	
Prep P	Prep MB
<b>The Arts</b> – Wednesday <b>Languages</b> – Wednesday <b>Library</b> – Wednesday <b>PE</b> – Thursday <b>Science</b> – Thursday <b>Homework</b> – Folders go home on Monday and need to be returned on Friday.	<b>Library</b> – Tuesday <b>The Arts</b> – Wednesday <b>Languages</b> – Wednesday <b>Science</b> – Thursday <b>PE</b> – Friday <b>Homework</b> – Folders go home on Monday and need to be returned on Friday.

Our Prep Curriculum incorporates whole class explicit instruction and Age-Appropriate Pedagogies (AAP) to implement the Australian Curriculum.

**English:** Students will create short, written texts to share thoughts, feelings and ideas about characters and events in stories.

**Maths:** Students will represent practical situations involving quantifying, equal sharing, adding to and taking away from collections to at least 10. They will create and sort shapes, giving reasons. Students will also compare objects using length, mass and capacity and explain thinking.

**HASS:** Students will explore the features of places and what makes them special. They will investigate that what makes a place special is dependent on how people view or use the place. Students will investigate how people care for special places and how they can contribute to the caring of a special place.

**Health and Respectful Relationships:** Students will be identify and describe the different emotions people experience. They will identify people and demonstrate protective behaviours and other actions that help keep themselves safe and healthy.

**Homework:** Folders will be sent home on Mondays and are required to be brought back on Fridays. The homework includes a focus on consolidating letter names, sounds and handwriting. It also includes some mathematics practise that links to concepts taught in class. Reading will commence this term using Decodable Readers Australia. Information and log in details will be included in the homework folder.

**Morning Drop Off:** Students will meet under 7<sup>th</sup> Heaven and then be picked up and taken to the classroom. If students arrive after 8:50am, please take them to the office to sign in and then come to the classroom.

**Munch and Crunch:** Prep students have a Munch and Crunch break at about 10:00am every day. We ask that your child has a piece of fruit or some vegetables to eat at this time. Please put the fruit/vegetables in a separate container for easy access or label your fruit (i.e. banana skin).

**Library:** Students require a library bag to be able to borrow a library book. Students will need to return their library books each week. If books are not returned, students will not be able to borrow a new book.

**Tuckshop:** Tuckshop is available to order on Mondays and Thursdays at FIRST BREAK ONLY. Ice-creams and slushies are available for purchase at second break. The food is unable to be reheated at second break. Orders need to be placed by 9am if dropping off a tuckshop bag or the night before via the app. Tuckshop orders can be pre-ordered using the Qkr! App. Download Qkr on your phone or tablet. Find Gracemere State School and make a Profile for your child or children including their Year Level. The full Tuckshop menu can be accessed through the app.

**Hats:** As we are a sun safe school, a hat is required for play and to participate in PE or outdoor lessons. Please ensure your child's hat is labelled. If your child does not have a hat at play time they will be required to stay undercover. Please check to see that your child has not accidentally taken home a spare hat or another child's hat. We are looking forward to a successful and enjoyable term of learning.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Lauren Park, Mrs Samantha Mooney and Mrs Ashleigh Barnes