

Look at what's happening in Pre-primary during Term 1, 2024!

The following will provide an overview of the teaching and learning that will occur in Term 1 across the Pre-primary team. Mrs Simon Shalders, Mrs Jodie Gillman, Mrs Belinda Wolpert, Ms Caroline Larcombe, Mrs Nicky Green, Mrs Caroline Smith.

Curriculum Area	Teaching and Learning Focus
English	During literacy this term we will be focusing on oral language. Students will be engaged in: Explicit teaching of phonological awareness skills – rhyme, syllables, initial and final sounds Explicit teaching of letter sounds and names through our PLD synthetic phonics program Oral blending and segmenting of CVC words Play based opportunities to develop their oral language skills Learning experiences that develop concepts of print Experiences that encourage them to experiment with writing Explicit teaching of letter formation Explicit teaching of vocabulary to build comprehension skills Oral language opportunities – whole class and small group Developing their understanding of a narrative structure through shared texts
Maths	In Mathematics, we will be revising numbers 0 to 10. We will be developing principles of counting through hands on play-based activities and representing these numbers in different ways. In Geometry and Measurement, we will be learning about 2D shape, length and positional language through hands on activities. The students will have opportunities to explore data by responding to yes/no questions and graphing the results.
Art	In Art this term we will be creating art that supports our learning about ourselves and our families. We will be creating portraits exploring shape, texture and colour.
HaSS	In HASS this term we are focusing on History. We will be learning about identity and growth by finding out about ourselves and our families.
Health	In Health, students will develop their understanding of the school values focusing on respect, kindness, integrity and perseverance. We will practise personal and social skills to interact positively with others and identify various feelings we may feel thorough out the day.
Science	In Science, we will explore the Biological Sciences strand by finding out what living things need to grow. We will learn through hands on investigations, using our senses and developing our scientific inquiry. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to regularly visit the Inglewood Triangle near our Pre-primary, to learn about native flora and fauna.
Music	During Music, we will work on aural skills by focusing on the core musical elements of rhythm and beat, tempo, pitch and dynamics. We will be singing songs, playing games and playing untuned percussion. We will also focus on appropriate audience behaviour.
Phys Ed	We have Physical Education specialist Ms Helen Thompson teaching weekly fundamental movement skills, focusing on locomotion (running, jumping, skipping, climbing, rolling) and team work. Every morning the students have morning fitness and will be involved in a daily obstacle course.
STEM	This semester in STEM, we will be designing, making and evaluating Bug Hotels using recycled and natural materials.
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