



# Term 2 Prep Newsletter

## WELCOME BACK! TERM 2 PREP 2009

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for another hard working term. It is great to see all the children back at school and eager to learn.

As always if ever you have any concerns about your child please come up and talk to us.

Some events to look out for this term include:

[\\*Market Day & Whole School Working Bee 2nd of May](#)

[\\*Mother's Day Stall—8th of May](#)

[\\*Grandparent Morning Tea 19th of May](#)

Look out for information in the weekly newsletter that comes home on a Thursday.

[\\*Open Night 19th of May](#)

All children are encouraged to attend this evening. Once again look out for information in the weekly newsletter that comes home on a Thursday.

[\\*Kinder Open Morning 21st of May](#)

[\\*Music Incursion 9th of June](#)

African Drumming

[\\*Queen's Birthday 8th of June](#)

[\\*Robotics Incursion 10th and 17th of June](#)

This is an interactive incursion where children make robotic toys.

This relates to our science topic of Force and Movement.

[\\*Curriculum/Reporting Day 12th of June](#)

[\\*Reports go home 26th of June](#)

### \*Parent Helpers.

☺ Thank you to all the parent helpers who give up their time to help us in the classroom. We do greatly appreciate your time.

### Premier's Reading Challenge.

Please encourage your child to participate in the reading challenge. It is a way to encourage children to read more widely and be exposed to good literature and not just readers.

If you have not returned your Reading Challenge Consent form please do so as soon as possible.



### Magic Wizard Words

All children should be learning their Coloured Magic Wizard Words. A copy of these words should be in their reading folder.

Learning these words will help the children with their reading and writing. Children should be encouraged to learn the words out of sequence. We endeavour to test the Wizard Words weekly. Children will move to the next level only when they can competently recognize a word within one second.

Newsletter Date  
**April 2009**

Miss Nadia Persi ☺  
Mrs Tracy Hobson ☺

### Homework

- Please read and discuss the take home books with your child.
- Please help your child learn their Wizard Words (Coloured Word Sheets)
- Please help your child learn and revise the letter names and sounds of the alphabet. Encourage correct starting points and formation.
- Please practise counting and the correct formation of the numbers 1-10.
- Enjoy the 10-15 minutes of special "Homework time" you spend with your child.

# Show and Tell

Show and Tell will take place on

**Tuesday - DAMPIER**

**Wednesday - STURT**

**Thursday - COOK**

**Friday - FLINDERS**

Topics for Show and Tell this term will relate to our integrated studies theme. The theme is "Force and Movement and Magnets".

We will also have some free choice sessions. During these sessions children can bring whatever they like to show and tell. It does not have to relate to the topic.

Please remember to label everything your child brings to school.

## Theme for week of 20th of April

Free Choice

## Theme for week of 27th of April

Bring in a toy that moves in some way. (No Nintendo DSI please)

## Theme for week of 4th of May

Free Choice

## Theme for week of 11th of May

Bring in a toy that you can push or pull.

## Theme for week of 18th of May

Free Choice

## Theme for week of 25th of May

Bring in a battery operated toy.

## Theme for week of 1st of May

Free Choice

## Theme for week of 8th of June

Bring in something



**Return your Library Books each Monday**

magnetic.

## Theme for weeks of 15th and 22nd of June

Free Choice

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## Curriculum

### Writing

This term we are encouraging the children to have a go at writing their own story or sentences. We do this by asking the children to write down all the sounds they hear in the word that they are trying to write.

We encourage them to have a go first, before coming up and asking for help.

If your child is writing at home,

please praise all of their efforts to write.

Some children might only be able to write the initial sounds of words but this is a wonderful start.

### Focus Letters for this term

The letters we will focus on this term include h,a,p,i,c,g,l,z,j,b

Encourage your child to hold their pencil correctly and start each letter at the correct starting point.

### Family writing packs

This term we will be sending home a writing pack. Children are encouraged to write a story, poem or rhyme to be shared with the class.

All family members are encouraged to assist with this task.

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### Maths

We will be focusing on:

the numbers 1-20, looking at odd and even numbers, counting from 1-20 and beyond, recognizing o'clock time, recognizing the Australian coins and the introduction of simple addition.

### Specialist Timetable

#### Monday

Library and Music

#### Tuesday

Art and Fundamental Motor Skills

#### Wednesday

Buddies



**I like to read**

#### Thursday

Cultural Awareness Program. (Italian) and Physical Education

#### Friday

Computer and Religious Education.