

Dear Parents,

The Preps are settling in to school really well.

We are thankful to all the parents who have labelled their children's clothes and hats. If for some reason they get left outside, the item will eventually make its way back to the classroom when others find it.

Here is some more information for you:

### **Show and Tell**

During Investigations, Reading, Writing and Maths lessons students have many opportunities to share and speak in front of the class. For Prep students we believe this is more valuable than the traditional 'show and tell'. Children **will not need** to bring things in from home for show and tell.

### **Canteen**

Children have been quite independent when going to the canteen.

We recommend a small amount of money.

Please talk to your child about not sharing money or food with others.

### **Take home books.**

**'Take home books' have been sent home this week.**

**We encourage you to:**

- Continue to read every night with your child, to get in the habit of nightly reading.
- Talk about the sounds that letters make in words.
- Practise writing their name with only one capital letter.

- The laminated picture alphabet supports the alphabet song we learn called 'Ants in the Apple'. We also learn Cued Articulation hand movements to go with the sounds.
- The additional alphabet sheets (to be sent home on Monday 28th of Feb) are to be cut out and used to match the capitals with the lower case letters, reinforcing the sounds the letters make.

**Some dates to remember:**

**Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of March**

Children will attend assembly. Please bring your child to their classroom, they will walk across to the gym with their teachers.

**Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March**

We are having a Teddy Bear's Picnic - Children can bring their favourite teddy to school.

**Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> Of March**

Prep Picnic and Parent Information evening, starting at 5pm.

**We would like to thank you for bringing your children to school before the bell goes each morning, it helps all of us prepare for the day in a calm manner.**

**Thank you for your support.**

Remember you can make an appointment to talk with us anytime.

The Prep Team,

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Jonelle, Andrea and Tiffany

**3 Ways of Reading**

