



Prep Term 1 Overview

Welcome to Prep at Fernbrooke. We have seven Prep classes this year. This year is about preparing our students to exceed expectations at school. In Prep, we are endeavouring to ensure our students have all the skills and knowledge necessary to be successful learners. We will be working to develop relationships within our school community using our schools Positive Behaviour for Learning. Please if you have any concerns or would like to check on the progress your child is making please don't hesitate to contact us.

English

Focus:

This term, students will engage in a variety of literacy experiences to develop their skills.

Students will:

- Recall 1 or 2 events from a text
- Identify connections between texts and personal experiences
- Identify and describe likes and dislikes about texts, objects, characters and events
- Orally blend and segment sounds in words

Assessments:

- **Name Writing Assessment Task:** Completed Term 1 Week 5
- **Syllables Assessment Task:** Completed Term 1 Week 6
- **Rhyme Assessment Task:** Completed Term 1 Week 7
- **Sequencing Assessment Task:** Completed Term 1 week 8
- **Sound/Word Assessment Task:** Completed Term 1 Weeks 9-10

Term 1

Key Dates:

- **Assembly:** Monday 1:45pm
- 14th Feb: Heart Health Day
- 19th Feb: Nude Food Day
- 1st March: Rewards Day
- 15th March: Bullying! No Way! Day
- 21st March: Harmony Day
- 25th March: Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 5th April: Rewards Day

Mathematics

Focus:

In Term 1, students will focus on applying a variety of mathematical concepts in real-life, life-like and purely mathematical situations.

Students will:

- Counting to 10
- Sorting objects by size, colour and shape
- Investigating and exploring shapes.

- Use a variety of strategies to add to 10

Assessments:

- **Number & Place Value Task:** Completed Term 1 Week 6
- **Sorting Task:** Completed Term 1 Week 8-9

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Science: Our Living World

Focus:

Students will explore living things, their basic needs and the habitats required for them to survive.

Students will:

- Understand what makes something 'living'
- Describe the five senses and apply them to real life
- Identify the basic needs of survival for an animal
- Identify the features of a plant
- Exploring plants
- Identify how living things survive in various habitats
- Compare needs of plants and animals
- Design a habitat for an animal

Assessment:

- **Our Living World:**
Completed Term 1 Week 9



HASS: Who I am and my family

Focus:

Students will explore and investigate the structure, origins and needs of their family

Students will:

- Understand themselves and their features
- Understand their personal history
- Know who is in your family
- Understand how people in your immediate family are related
- Understand differences in family compositions
- Understand differences in family origins
- Create a family story

Assessment:

- **My and My Needs Task:**
Completed Term 1 Week 3
- **My Family Tree:** Completed Term 1 Week 6
- **My Family Origins:**
Completed Term 1 Week 9



Homework

- Homework will sent home every Friday, and needs to be returned to school every Thursday—please do not return it early.
- In Term 1, homework will consist of sight words to practise, writing activities to support the writing of their names, home reading, and handwriting tracing activities following on from our handwriting lessons in school
- Homework will change in Term 2 and will consist of reading books, for which more information will be sent home
- All prep classes complete the same homework
- A note has been sent home to support you with practicing sight words, and home reading. If you need any assistance or another copy of this note, please see Miss Hansen (Prep G)

Week	Misc. Skill	Hand-writing Letter
1	Trace first name dots	Bb
2	Trace first name outline	Cc
3	Find letters of first name	Kk
4	Cut and paste first name	Dd
5	Write first name on own and draw picture (My name is: _____)	Ff
6	Trace surname dots	Gg
7	Trace surname outline	Hh
8	Find letters of surname	Jj
9	Cut and paste surname	Ll
10	Write first and surname on own and draw picture (My name is: _____)	Mm



Key Dates and Important Information

In Prep this year we have a few events that are created especially for our cohort.

In Term 1, we will be creating a wonderful Easter Bonnet parade for parents to attend and watch their children show-off their creations.

This will happen on Thursday 4th April.

Parents will be invited to come in and watch the event. Keep your eyes peeled for updates on our school Facebook page and the newsletter.



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