

Prep Bulletin

TERM 2 – Week 9

Our Enduring Understanding

'Feelings and interactions influence the way we learn at school'

Some of the things we are learning about:

The letter /p/

Shape

Different combinations that make 5 or 10

Using the movie Inside Out to explore emotions

The role of pictures in stories

What you could do at home to support this learning

- ❖ Have a look around your home for objects that start with the /p/ sound
- ❖ Continue to discuss shape in the environment
- ❖ Talk to your child about the movie Inside Out and how it made them feel. Perhaps ask questions about Riley, the main character, and how she dealt with the emotions she was feeling and what strategies she may have used
- ❖ Discuss the role of pictures in stories. For example, how the colours are used, what the pictures represent and how they make your child feel, do they have a connection to that image?

Parent Teacher Conference

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on **Monday the 26th of June** and **Tuesday the 27th of June**. You are able to book your time via Compass. The duration of the conference is **15 minutes**. Your child will **not** be required at the Parent Teacher Conference. This is a chance for us to discuss your child's progress and their reports and for you to ask any questions you may have.

NGV Excursion – Wednesday 21st June

The Preps will be travelling to the National Gallery to learn more about emotions and how they can be represented through art. We will be departing school at 11am and will be returning before pick-up at 3:30pm. Your child will need to bring their lunch and a drink bottle in a small **named bag**. The drawstring bag that was given out at the start of the year may be ideal for this, please no school bags or large bags.

Please make sure you have given consent on Compass so your child can attend.

Reading Strategies

There are many different strategies your child will use when they are learning to read. They might read on, look at the initial letter to predict the word or, look at the pictures to gain clues. It is really important that you **do not** cover the pictures as it provides important visual clues that your child will need to make meaning of the text. At the Reading Forum we were given the opportunity to discuss this strategy and how important the picture was in helping us to decode the text and gain meaning as, it provides not only clues but also context.

REMINDERS

Please ensure that your child's timetable is in a place where they can check what they have on each day and can remember to pack all the necessary items, for example red bag and small books.

This week is the last week of Tri Skills.

The disco is coming up soon at the end of term. Information about it can be found on our Communication Board and around the school.

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