

# Prep Bulletin

## TERM 2 – Week 8

### **Our Enduring Understanding**

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

#### **Some of the things we are learning about:**

The letter /w/

The huge Bag of Worries - Sequencing events in a story

Beginning sounds in words

Representing numbers in different ways

Possible/ Not possible

Positional Language e.g. under, over, around, through

#### **What you could do at home to support this learning**

- ❖ Continue to discuss emotions. Perhaps making reference to The Huge bag of Worries book (available on YouTube) as this discusses different strategies your child can use to deal with any worries they may have
- ❖ Go on a letter/word hunt and make a list or draw how any objects you can find beginning with /w/
- ❖ Have a look around at how numbers can be represented, e.g. on a dice, and use some concrete materials to show different ways. For example representing 5 as a digit, word, using pegs, using coins or even drawing dots
- ❖ Talk to your child about some possible scenarios and whether these are possible or not. For example, will the cat learn to talk?
- ❖ Obstacles courses are a great way to explore positional language, have them make one for you or a sibling

#### **Kids Matter – Social and Emotional Learning**

We are currently unpacking our Enduring Understanding, 'Feelings and interactions influence the way we learn at school'. Throughout their life your child will learn many social and emotional skills and ways of coping with different situations. This article provides a great break-down of how you can support the social and emotional development of your child and has some practical strategies.

<https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/mental-health-matters/social-and-emotional-learning/suggestions-for-families>

#### **NGV Excursion**

The Preps will be travelling to the National Gallery to learn more about emotions and how they can be represented through art. The permission form is now on Compass, please follow the information to complete both permission and payment.

#### **Important - Gastro**

There have been some cases of gastro throughout the school. Please, if your child is not feeling well, or if siblings have had it, keep them at home as we don't want it to continue to spread and sometimes the onset of symptoms can be delayed.

#### **Thank You**

A big thank you to Chali (mum of Oliver Prep S) for conducting a beautiful meditation and mindfulness session with the kids on Monday afternoon. The students really enjoyed the opportunity to take some time out, relax and consider their emotions.

## **Seedling Planting**

We require parents to help water the garden beds. If you have the time at any stage of the day, please assist us with this.

## **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.**

Tri Skills is still happening each Friday so please ensure girls are not in dresses to enable them to participate fully.

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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