

Kindy Gold Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the start of Term 4, our last term of Kindy! The year has gone so fast already and with only nine weeks this term it will be a very busy and quick term.

Important Dates

Week 3: Monday 24th October - Minibeast Incursion

Week 4: Monday 31st October - Kindy Mini Athletics Carnival at 11am (during Sport lesson)

Week 8: Thursday 1st December - Kindy Gold Graduation at 2pm

Week 9: Monday 5th December - Pre-Primary Orientation for students

Week 9: Thursday 8th December - Last Day of Kindy

Curriculum Focus

We will begin the term with learning about insects and bugs. In Science, we will learn about the parts of an insect, their lifecycles and their habitats. We have already begun looking for insects and bugs in our Kindy playground. *If your child finds any interesting insects or bugs at home please take a photo and send it through to us on Seesaw so your child can share their findings with the class.*



As part of the Science topic on insects, the children will be having a special Minibeast Incursion. We will be visited by Eco Action who will be bringing a range of minibeasts for the children to learn about and interact with.

In Literacy we will carry on learning the initial letter sounds using the Diana Rigg Literacy program. This term we will focus on the letter sounds FLOUGB. We will continue to practice the sound groups SATPIN and CHREMD which we have covered last term. Please support your child's learning by practising these sounds at home. We will also focus on initial sounds of words, syllables, onset and rime blending and introduce simple CVC words.

Star Helper news telling will continue this term to enhance the children's oral language skills. When your child is the Star Helper they will bring home the news telling bag. The topic for this term's news telling is **"My Pet"**. Please help your child fill out the enclosed sheet and return it in the news bag. You may like to send some photos with your child to school or send them through on Seesaw for your child to show to the class. If your child does not have a pet maybe they could find an insect in the garden, or they could talk about their grandparent's pet, or an animal they have met or seen at the zoo.

In Numeracy we will focus on counting, ordering and recognizing numbers to 20. We will introduce the concept of positional language such as in front of, behind, under, over and next to. We will also learn about patterns, measuring volume and capacity and focus on writing numbers with correct formation.

In Religious Education we will continue to use the Making Jesus Real program. The children are learning about ways they can be just like Jesus in their daily lives. This includes using good manners, greeting people, showing respect, using nice words and giving compliments. We will also look at how we can care for and respect God's creation, which links in with our topic on insects and bugs. Towards the end of the term we will learn about the Christmas story and talk about our family's Christmas traditions.

Pre-Primary Transition

At the end of the term the children will have the opportunity to visit both Pre-Primary classrooms and meet the teachers. This is to help the children with the transition from Kindy to Pre-Primary for next year, so they know where they might be going and who their teacher could be. We will send you more information closer to the time.

Morning Letter and Name Writing

Every morning when the children arrive at Kindy they will continue to practice writing letters and this term we will focus on writing their own name. They will trace over the letter shapes focusing on the starting point of each letter and correct letter formation. We will reinforce using the correct pencil grip and correct body posture when writing. We will also be practicing number writing too.

Kindy Graduation

Our Kindy Gold Graduation is scheduled for Week 8 on Thursday 1st December. We invite you to join us at Kindy to celebrate your child's first year of schooling. The children will sing some Christmas songs and receive their Graduation certificate from Mr Green. Please put the date in your calendar and we hope you can all make it. More details will be given closer to the date.

Parent Roster

Parent Roster is back for this term. If you would like to join us in Kindy for our morning session until fruit time please put your name down on the roster located on Seesaw. We would love to have you back or if you haven't had the opportunity to come in yet. Please don't forget to sign in at the office when you come for Roster.

Thank you so much for your continued support throughout this year. Please come and see us if you have any concerns or questions, we are always happy to have a chat!! If you are unable to come into Kindy, please continue to use Seesaw to communicate with us. Please check Seesaw on a regular basis to ensure you don't miss any important messages. Thank you for the regular feedback on Seesaw too, it is greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to another great term,

Debbie, Sharon and Eve 😊
Kindy Gold Team

