



A Word from the Teacher

My name is Mrs Vicich (Mrs V) and I will be your child's teacher this year. I would also like to introduce Miss Mel who is our Student Learning Support Officer (SLSO), she will be working in KV from 9:35am-1:05pm each day supporting our students to achieve their early literacy and numeracy goals. Miss Mel and I would like to welcome your children to KV. We have both taught Kindergarten for many years and feel a deep sense of responsibility when it comes to your child's welfare. Our classroom is a relaxed and happy place, where children engage in meaningful learning every day. You as parents and families, have been your child's first teacher and we value your ongoing partnership as together, we enter into the formal years of learning. Please continue to share any news, concerns or celebrations with us as the year goes on.

Dates

Check the school newsletter or webpage for upcoming events.

School Holidays

- 9th April – Last Day of Term 1
- 28th April – First Day of Term 2
- 3rd July – Last Day of Term 2
- 20th July – First Day of Term 3
- 25th Sept – Last day of Term 3
- 12th Oct – First day of Term 4
- 18th Dec – Last day of school

Student Needs

- A Paint Shirt
- Library Bag



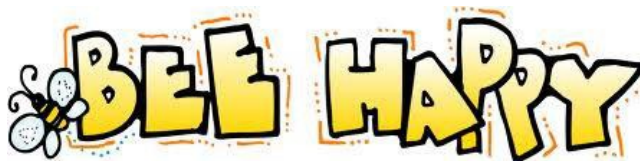
Classroom Resources

If you are able to donate any of these items to keep our classroom running smoothly it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

- glue sticks
- baby wipes
- paper towel

Parent Talk

Next week Mrs Nott, our Instructional Leader, will be giving a small talk on home reading. You are invited to come along and it would be lovely to see you all attend. The talk will be held at 2pm on Thursday 13th February in the AV room, which is attached to the library.



English

Students will participate in a variety of reading, writing, speaking and listening activities each morning. It is essential that your child arrives at school by the bell at 9:05 each day to ensure they do not miss out on important literacy instruction.

How can I help? It is beneficial for students to read books daily at home with some support from an adult or older sibling. This is an extremely important activity to develop your child's reading ability.

Mathematics

Students will participate in a variety of hands-on mathematics games using concrete materials.

How can I help? Give your child real life examples of maths (e.g. shopping - counting, folding and cutting - fractions etc.)

Other Key Learning Areas

During our afternoon sessions we will be learning about history, science, PD/H/PE and Creative Arts. This term we are looking at the following topics:

History – Personal and Family History

Creative Arts – Music, Drama, Dance and Visual Arts

Science – What is it made of?

PD/H/PE – Catching, throwing and child protection



PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) – Students will learn the class and school rules. Students participate in 'Safe Rap' discussions **before** play at recess and lunch to prepare the students, making sure they have everything they need and that they are prepared for play in the playground. Students participate in a 'Safe Wrap Up' discussion **after** playtimes to discuss any concerns and to recognise positive behaviour displayed in the playground.

Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be a Learner

Miscellaneous



Attendance

If your child is absent for any reason, please send an explanatory note to school the day he/she returns or use the Skoolbag app. The note must include a reason for their absence and will be recorded on the roll.

If you are planning a holiday or your child needs to be absent from school for an extended period of time, please let the school know beforehand.

Excursions

A costing sheet will be sent home to families soon so that you can plan for our excursions.

School Behaviour System:

The students receive a SRL (Safe, Respectful Learner) card which communicates to parents how your child is working and progressing at school. The card goes home each Friday and needs to be signed by a parent/carer and sent back to school every Monday.

Hats

Wearing a hat is part of BPS uniform policy. All students must wear a wide brim or bucket hat when outdoors. A hat is vital for sports activities.



Birthdays

We are happy to celebrate birthdays in the classroom however cupcakes or individually wrapped chocolates or similar individualised treats are preferred as we don't have the resources in our classrooms to cut cakes into multiple pieces.



Personal Belongings

Please ensure all belongings including hats, jumpers, lunch boxes and drink bottles are clearly labelled with your child's name and class, This will help us keep track of them!

Daily Routines

In the morning students can drop their bag in line outside the classroom but must then head down to the pergola area until the bell goes. Fruit break us at 10:00am everyday so please provide fruit or vegetables for your child. If purchasing fruit from the canteen this needs to be done before school.

Weekly Events

Monday – Homework goes home every Monday.

- Return SRL cards.

Assemblies (Monday, Weeks 4 & 9 at 2.15pm **from Term 2 onwards**)

Tuesday – Scripture classes

- Banking

- Maths with Mr Wootton

Wednesday – Sport

- library with Mr Barron

Thursday

Friday - SRL cards go home.

Once Home Reading starts readers will get changed every day.

SRL Cards sent home starting in Week 3.



Contact Information

If you require an interview with Mrs Vicich please call the office.

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