Week 6 already!

A big thankyou to parents for assisting their child with their take home readers. A routine of daily home reading and practising the 12 Golden words supports your child greatly.

Specialists  Prep children are now enjoying Specialist classes every Friday. Art with Mrs Caffyn, P.E with Mr Stevenson, and Performing Arts with Miss Breheny.

Literacy  The Preps are continuing to investigate each letter of the alphabet in turn. We are practising recognising the letter, recording it and identifying the sound it makes, also known as it’s phoneme. We do this through songs, games, craft activities and more formal ‘book work’.

Numeracy  We are also continuing to investigate each number to 20. As we are at the half way stage we are currently reviewing and revising all the numbers up to 10. Again we are doing this through a mix of games, songs, practical activities and book work. Dice games, dominoes and playing cards are a great way to reinforce the student’s familiarity of single digit numbers.

Netbooks

We had great fun using our netbooks and exploring Literacy and Numeracy with Broadlearn Early Learning. We also learnt about parts of a computer such as mouse and keyboard and how to logon.

Harold Life Education Van

Our Prep children will be attending the Life Education Van over the next 2 weeks and meeting Harold the Giraffe!

Toilets

We would like to ask for your support to remind your child to go to the toilet before school starts, at recess and during lunchtime play. We explain to children that going to the toilet during class time not only interrupts their own learning, but also someone else too, as all children need to be accompanied by another.

Library

Later in Term One you will receive a yellow bag from the Education Department. Please return the empty bag as we will be using this for the children to borrow Library books.

Sleep-Well Study

The Sleep Well – Be Well study is coming to our school. Sleep Well – Be Well is run by the centre for Community Child Health at the Royal Children’s Hospital. They want to know about sleep in Grade Prep children. They also want to know if they can help with those sleep problems and if this improves behaviour, learning, quality of life and family wellbeing. Our school has agreed to take part in this study. Parents of every child in Grade Prep will be invited to take part. At the beginning of Term 2 your child will bring home an information pack which explains more.