



Pride@Burrowes

Prep Term 1 Newsletter



Welcome

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 1 2024!

My name is Miss Hodgetts and I will be your child's teacher for the 2024 school year.

I am looking forward to getting to know you and your child, and I am excited for the wonderful learning journey ahead of us.

Should you have any issues or concerns, or need to discuss your child's learning, I can be contacted on the following email.

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Kind Regards

Miss Hodgetts



Learning and Assessment this Term

English:

In English we are learning to listen, talk and connect with a story. We are also learning about sounds.

Mathematics:

Numbers, numbers, numbers! We are learning all about our numbers from 0 to 10

HASS:

We are looking at different types of families and the way they celebrate important events.

PE: This term students will explore how to move and play safely during physical activity.

They will develop the fundamental movement skills of running, jumping, hopping and galloping.

The Arts: The Arts: We will be learning about and exploring the basic concepts of art such as line, shape and colour.

Languages: This term students in years P-2 will learn about the Chinese culture and use basic Chinese language within the classroom setting. They will demonstrate their understanding by following simple instructions in Chinese.

Classroom Expectations and Routines

- **School starts at 8:30am**, if your child is running late, you must sign them in at the office and present a late slip to the classroom teacher.
- **If your child is sick**, please phone the office on **3802 3333** to inform them that your child will not be attending school on that day.
- **Before school**, all students are to sit in their class line outside of Prep E's classroom ready for the bell to ring. **If you need to talk to a teacher, please contact your teacher via email to make an appointment with them either before or after school. Due to preparing for the day, teachers are not to be disturbed unless there is an emergency or you have made an appointment. Thank you for your understanding.**

Playground before and after school

Just a reminder to ensure the safety of our students, that there should be **no prep students or their siblings on the playground and play equipment before and after school**. Thank you for understanding the importance of this issue as we endeavor to keep students and children safe. In the morning, students are to be lined up outside of the classroom ready for the bell.



Positive behaviour for learning (PBL)

Burrowes are a PBL school and encourage students to earn merit points which reflect their achievement in our four pillars of PBL: I am safe, I am respectful, I am responsible and I am a learner. Every term, we celebrate our student success with a Celebration Day. Each fortnight students focus on a different PBL rule to help them succeed in our school environment. Below are the weekly focuses

Week 1 & 2: I am an all rounder – I will understand my emotions

Week 3 & 4: I am a learner when I use strategies to stay in the green zone.

Week 5 & 6: I make safe choices when I'm in the red zone.

Week 7 & 8: I am respectful toward myself and others when I'm in the blue zone.

Week 9 & 10: I make responsible choices when I'm in the yellow zone.



Term 1 Calendar Dates

Week 1 – Friday 26th January, Australia Day Public Holiday

Week 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10 – Whole School Parade

Week 5 – Tuesday 20th February, Parent Teacher Sessions

Week 10 – Friday 29th March, Easter Friday Public Holiday

Tuckshop

You can order tuckshop for your child online **or** order in person at the tuckshop in the morning, before school. Please be mindful that this includes ordering ice-blocks. **Prep students are unable to purchase items at the tuckshop during the day and older siblings are unable to bring ice-blocks to the prep area so please follow the tuckshop ordering process.**

Library borrowing

- Please ensure your child's library bag is clearly labelled with their name.
- Please ensure your child brings their book back each week so they can continue to borrow.
- Books that are not returned or become lost will be at a cost to parents/caregivers

Fruit break

Please ensure your child has a, cut up, piece of fruit / vegetable each day. This will be eaten at our fruit break time.

Hats

Each student has been given a school hat. Hats will be kept in the classroom, to ensure your child has a hat at school everyday.

Water bottles

Please ensure your child has a refillable water bottle with them everyday. **This must be filled with water only.**



Some things to remember

- It is encouraged that you read with your child everyday!
- Encourage your child to continue practicing packing their bags and opening lunch boxes.