In the news…

After the first holidays of the year, we are impressed by the way our students have settled back into the school routine and are ready to learn!

Our students are now looking forward (with great anticipation!) to our first excursion to the Melbourne Zoo. Our Inquiry learning unit; ‘How are zoo animals different?’ is providing many fantastic learning opportunities across the curriculum, and we are happy to see the students so excited and engaged in their learning.

Nightly reading...

As you are aware, we have been sending home a little book each night for your child to practise reading with an experienced reader. It is fantastic to see that most of our students are engaging in reading at home five (or more) times a week!

We are now also sending home a fortnightly list of ten high-frequency words for your child to practise reading. These lists are individual and based on one-on-one testing with your child. It is important that children read these words daily in the effort to improve their sight vocabulary.

We recommend writing these words onto paper or ‘cards’ and mixing them up daily to ensure that your child is learning to read the words, rather than remembering a list.

Payments to office...

The office staff have requested that when making payments, envelops are clearly marked with:

- Student Name and Class
- Purpose of Money
- Amount

This makes it easier when lots of money is coming to school for different purposes.

Classroom helpers...

A reminder to please return your preferences for classroom helper times by Friday, 1st May. The rosters will be compiled promptly and parent helpers will begin in week 6.

We have already had an overwhelming amount of responses in each classroom, so please be aware that if you selected a ‘weekly’ timeslot, it is unlikely that you will be rostered every week. We do our best to ensure that each person gets at least one helping session throughout the term.

Classroom and PMP helpers will be required throughout terms three and four, so please be assured that you will have plenty of opportunities to help out at school!

Mother’s Day Events

Our school Mother’s Day Stall will run on Thursday, 7th May. If your child wishes to make some special purchases, it is recommended that you send your child to school with a small amount of money in a labelled wallet or zip-lock bag. The Foundation Teachers will assist students with their shopping.

The Foundation Mother’s Day Morning Tea will be held on Friday, 8th May at 10.15am beginning in your child’s classroom. Please return your completed RSVP note for catering purposes.

Our learning foci...

The past month:
Letters of the week – D, B, A, L
Common words – it, is, in, was
Numeracy – Numbers 1-8, the language of length, straight and curvy lines
Inquiry- ‘How are zoo animals different?’

Education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students and enthusiastic parents.

~Bob Beauprez