



**Key Days
for
Prep B**

Tuesday
Computer
lab
P.E. - Sports
Uniform
Music

Wednesday
HEALTH

Thursday
Home work
due

Friday
PE/MUSIC
Library
Borrowing
Assembly

What's happening in Term 1?

Welcome to Term 1!

We are so excited to get to know each and every one of you in the coming days, and can't wait to help your children along their learning journey. The following information is to help with the day to day routines and expectations in Prep.

Pick up

Please indicate how your child is going home each day on the pick up list in the classroom. If there are any changes please email me.

PBL

Our fortnightly focus to start the year will be our school expectations; We Are Safe, We Are Respectful, We Are Learners. All students have a 'Hoot' card to track positive behaviours in the classroom and playground. Students earn hoots and are able to buy something from the Hoot Shop on most Fridays. At the end of each term there will be a Principal's Party or a Rewards Day.

Fruit Break

Students will have a fruit or vegetable break every day in the morning session. **Please pack a piece of fruit or vegetable in a labelled box or bag and separate from their lunch box so that it can be brought in and placed in our tray each morning.**

Books/Stationery Supplies

Please bring in your child's school supplies that were on the booklist. If you need a new booklist, you can get one from the front office or online. **Library Bags- please send in a named library bag for your child to use to borrow books ASAP. You are most welcome to use the enrolment pack bag for this purpose.**

Hats & Water Bottles

Please ensure these items are named, so that missing items can be returned when found. Hats will be stored in their school bags and drink bottles will be on a trolley with access in class and at playtimes.

Tuckshop

The Tuckshop is open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. **Please order food through MunchMonitor.** It would be beneficial to remind your child they have tuckshop to avoid confusion. We encourage no money to be brought to school to prevent loss of money. Snack foods eg. ice blocks should be purchased at second break for your child.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to make contact via email or make an appointment before or after school. We are more than happy to assist.

Kind Regards, Prep Teachers

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How can parents help us?

Parent/Carer Helpers - It is greatly appreciated when we have parent helpers assist us during learning rotations or changing of Homework. If you are able to assist us in the classroom please email or come and see me. We love having parents to assist us in providing engaging learning experiences for our students. If your child is unsettled having you in the room then homework may be the perfect job for you.

Punctuality and Absences

We ask that all students please arrive in the classroom each morning on time, before the second bell. If your child is absent **please contact** the office the morning of that day or by writing a note/email explaining the reason for absence. If you know of the absence in advance, please send in a note/email outlining the details (dates/reason) for the absence.

OXENFORD EXPECTATIONS

WE ARE SAFE

WE ARE RESPECTFUL

WE ARE LEARNERS





Term 1 Curriculum Overview

Prep

	Students are learning to...	Students will demonstrate...
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recall one or two events from and text. (picture books) ➤ Identify connections between the story and their personal experiences. (How am I the same as the main character?, What have I done/experienced that is like the character?, Have I seen or been to a similar place/ setting?) ➤ Identify and describe likes and dislikes about the familiar text, objects, characters and events. ➤ Concepts of print – front and back cover, author, a word, a sentence, direction ➤ Phonological awareness 	<p>Students will listen to several picture books. They will speak, draw, role play and create a short response to elements of a story.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recall an event ➤ Express likes and dislikes ➤ Make a personal connection ➤ Demonstrate how to hold and interact with a book ➤ Retain and play with letter and sound knowledge
Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number and place value — Number knowledge 0-10 ➤ Patterns and algebra — Sort objects, how are they similar or different. Grouping them according to size, colour or category. ➤ Location and direction — positional language (above, below, up, back, front, beside, between, far, near, inside, outside, next to, in front, behind, under, left, right, middle, forwards, backwards) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Counting in ones to 20. ➤ Numbers 0-10 represent, order, compare and match numerals and quantities, count forwards and backwards, identify numbers before, after. ➤ Identify how objects are similar or different, sort objects based on similar features through role play and multimedia experiences. ➤ Describe the location of an object through role play and multimedia. ➤ Identify opposites, and represent locations with models and images.
Science	<p>Our Living Things - Pets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Students use their senses to observe the needs of living things, both animals and plants. Students learn that the survival of all living things is reliant on basic needs being met, and there are consequences when needs are not met. Students consider the impact of human activity and natural events on basic needs. They share ideas about how they can support and protect living things in the school grounds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Students represent, share and reflect on observations about the needs of living things and how an environment can affect them. ➤ Students ask and respond to science questions.
Humanities and Social Sciences	<p>What is my history and how do I know?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore the nature and structure of families ➤ Identify their own personal history, particularly their own family backgrounds and relationships ➤ Examine diversity within their family and others ➤ Investigate familiar ways family and friends commemorate past events that are important to them 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Students explore important events celebrated in their lives ➤ Identify how people and objects help them to remember. ➤ Present stories about personal and family events in the past that are commemorated.