

Prep Newsletter

Term 1

February
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Dates to Remember

Thursday 27th

February: Preps start full time

Monday 9th March:

Public holiday

Wednesday 11th

March: Sport's Day

Monday 16th

March: School Photo's

Tuesday 24th

March: Easter Fair

Thursday 26th

March: Gruffalo excursion



Welcome Students and Families!

Welcome students and families to Stockdale Road Primary School. We hope you had a fantastic Christmas and a relaxing holiday break. It has been wonderful to hear from students about all the fun they had spending time with family.

This is the first Prep newsletter for the year. The newsletter contains information and important dates about what is happening at Stockdale Road. If you have any questions, please check the information board in the window of each classroom or speak to the friendly staff in the School Office. ☺



Start of the day

To enable children to build independence and develop an understanding of our morning routines, we ask that parents say their goodbyes at the door of their child's classroom. Students are building the skills to organise themselves in the morning by unpacking their bags and getting ready for the day ahead independently.

As our mornings are very busy, we kindly ask that parents speak with teachers after school or organise an appointment if needed.

SCHOOL HATS

As part of our SunSmart Policy, all children must have and wear their Stockdale Road wide-brimmed hat when outside both during lunch breaks and PE lessons in terms One and Four.



Blue Satchels and Reading Books

Each day, please ensure that your child brings to school their blue satchel and reading folder. Children will bring home a take home book and their reading record in their blue satchel every school day. After reading with your child each night, please sign the page in the reading record.

Reading folders contain children's tasks from the day to support their learning. We also encourage the children to read this with you at home.

Labelling items

Please ensure that all of your child's belongings including jumpers, drink bottles and lunch boxes have their name clearly labelled.

If your child has misplaced an item, the lost property tub is located near the whole school communication board just to the left of the office.



Things we need

We would love any donations of broken appliances for our tinkering table.



Additionally, please save cardboard boxes and milk bottle lids to be used for box construction.

Dismissal at the end of the day

For the first month of Prep, children will be dismissed from classrooms at 1:30, until 27th February, when they start attending school until 3:30. At the end of the day, children must be collected from the front of their classroom by the person who is taking them home, such as an adult or older sibling. Please be sure to inform teachers if there is a change to your usual pick up arrangements.



Our term 1 excursion is on Thursday March 26th to watch a performance of *The Gruffalo's Child*. Children are to arrive at school at the start of the day as per usual.



If you can, we suggest reading the story "The Gruffalo" to your child at some point before the excursion to get them familiar with the fun characters and the story setting.

We will require a parent helper for each grade to attend on the day that has a Working With Children Check. We are currently taking expressions of interest so please let your child's classroom teacher know if you would like to attend.

