

# Prep Newsletter

It's Starting to look a lot like Christmas...



## Literacy Time

During the Literacy Block, Prep students have been working towards developing their skills to read and write digraphs and recognise them in words. They have also been learning how to predict text before they read a book. They look for clues within the pictures and words and use their imaginations to predict what might happen in a story. Not all our predictions are exactly correct, but some of them are very close.

During writing times, the Prep students have been writing letters to Santa. They have learnt the structure of letters and concentrated on their grammar and punctuation.

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### LETTERS AND SOUNDS

We are learning the digraphs ure, oi & oo

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### READING

We are learning to predict texts before we read them.

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### WRITING & SPEAKING

We are learning to write letters, edit and use appropriate vocabulary.



### Brigid Factor

The Brigid Factor was an exciting and fun packed event enjoyed by all.



### K-2 Disco

The students had a wonderful time dancing away at our K-2 Disco. There were lots of games, and prizes were given away. A majority of the students purchased a refreshing icy-pole at the end.



## Maths Time

During our Maths Block, students have been consolidating their learning from throughout the year. We have been revising learnt concepts and working towards building upon this knowledge.

The students have been completing Christmas Maths Activities and have been enjoying the challenges given to them.

Recently they have learnt about symmetry and how this can be important in Art and Maths, and how symmetry is often found in nature.

## Santa's Workshop

In the Prep classroom the students have been having a jolly time making and creating in Santa's Workshop. They love to pop on their little Elf Hats and get busy. Here is a picture of Lottie after she designed her own Santa face



## Humanities & Social Sciences

On Friday 4th November, Kinder, Prep and Grade One students headed off to Stanley to visit Highfield House and to experience what life was like in the 1800s.

The students were fascinated by the old house and it's surroundings. They loved the Cellar (or Fridge), the study which had a real shot gun, the school house with the rickety staircase and the kitchen with all the old fashioned gadgets and tools.

It was a wonderful day of learning and the following week, the Preps were able to show their learning by creating a story board and a map of their adventures.



## RELIGION

During Religion lessons, the Prep students are learning about Advent. We know that this is a time of waiting and a time to show kindness and the Spirit of Jesus. We are also learning about the birth of Jesus and how this was a special and spiritual time.

We jointly made a giant Advent Calendar and the students take turns to select one each day. Underneath every picture is a kindness task for the students to work towards that has been created by one of their peers. Some of these include.....

'Opening the door for someone.' 'Make someone a crafty gift.' 'Pack someone's bag for them.' 'Bring in an item to donate.'

