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Week 11 Term 1- Curriculum

Wow, we hope you all had a great Easter. We discussed Easter being important for Christians who believe that Jesus died on the cross and came to life again, which is why we have eggs celebrating new life and hot cross buns. We talked about how different families celebrate Easter and found that lots of our families go camping or to the beach. For our Numeracy curriculum we will be continuing with our number songs and the children helped design and make the obstacle course exploring number and measurement. The children have been helping us look at and measuring the fence, which is part of our Orbis maths project that Jodie and Elspeth have been working on to encourage the children to develop concepts of number and measurement. We will be asking them to make predictions, count collections of objects and model and explain how the number systems work.

The Literacy curriculum has included listening, viewing and the retelling of *Hunwick's Egg* by Mem Fox. We also discussed authors and illustrators. We have been looking at Rhyme and breaking words into syllables. We have continued with making books and some of the children shared the stories that they have written with the others in the group.

We have also completed collecting some observations on the children's progress with numeracy and literacy which we use in our planning cycle which we will be happy to share with our families. We will have optional interviews next term. These can be booked before or after our Kindy sessions with Elspeth or Jodie. Children are welcome to be involved and the interviews are informal and hopefully informative.

Obstacle a thon

We had a great day at our annual Obstacle a thon. Thank you all for the donations, so far we have raised over \$300. You can still donate if you have not done so already (Cheryl our finance officer said could you please put obstacle a thon in description when doing on line) we are looking at getting a new ladder for our climbing.



Bush Kindy

We will continue with our Bush Kindy program in Term 2. The dates are Thursday 20/5/2021, 3/6/2021 and 17/6/2021 we will have new permission forms for these dates. They will go out early next term. We will need some volunteers so If you are available please let staff know.

Excursion

Next Term we are planning an excursion to the Art gallery to look at some portraits and maybe make our own self portrait. The Excursion will be on Wednesday the 12/5/2021 (Week 3) we will have more information regarding costs and times etc early next Term. We would love some helpers but we may have to ask families to arrange their own transport depending on the size of the bus we use.

Governing council

Governing council meeting week 2 Thursday 6/5/2021 at 12.15pm. Creche available. All Welcome!

Closure Day

Our closure day will be Wednesday May the 5th it is the last day in the Numeracy course that the teachers have been attending. Numeracy improvement is one of our goals of our Quality Improvement Plan and is a continuance from our plans from last year.

School Assembly

We will continue to attend assemblies at Banksia Park Primary School in weeks 4, 6 and 8 (same week as Bush Kindy) .We will send a text reminding families. If possible can you be here by 8:50 so we can get to assembly on time. Next term we will also be working with our Buddy class Mrs. Todd's grade 2.

CAFHS

On Tuesday the 18th the nurse from CAFHS will be at our preschool to do the health checks. Appointments can be booked with the staff. Parents or a carer that knows the child's routines and health situation must attend the appointment with the child. If you cannot make this date another day will be offered later in the year or alternatively you can attend clinics at other venues on other dates. If you want a preferred time please book early, the booking sheet will be on a clip board on the sign in table.

Date/ Day	Event	Time	Place
Wednesday 5th May WK 2	Closure day	All Day	
Thursday 6 th May WK 2	Governing Council	12.15	At Kindy
Wednesday 12th May Wk 3	Excursion		Art Gallery
Tuesday 18th May Wk 4	CAFHS	All Day	At Kindy
Wednesday 19th May Wk 4	Assembly	9:00	At BPPS
Thursday 20 th May Wk 4	Bush Kindy	9-12	Anstey Hill