## PREP OVERVIEW – Term One

### Integrated Unit

**‘All About Me’**

As the children begin formal schooling they will explore themselves and come to know more about others. Children will also learn the rules, routines and responsibilities associated with being at school.

### Religious Education

Children will be exposed to varying religious experiences in the classroom and with the wider school community. They will learn our own class prayers, participate in a whole class prayer circle, whole school assembly and simple celebrations such as Opening School Mass.

Children will investigate scripture teaching ‘Right Relationships’.

The children will also be learning about and celebrating Easter.

### Maths

Children will experiment and investigate early mathematical concepts using a ‘hands on’ approach.

Topics covered will include **Number (major focus)**, **Measurement**, **Patterns**, **Shapes** and **Sequencing**.

The ‘Stepping Stones’ maths program will be implemented and used to support mathematical learning.

### English

Children will expand their oral language by participating in large and small group activities. For example ‘Super Speaker’, syllables, learning songs, rhyming words (nonsense and true words) and general classroom conversation and discussions with peers and adults.

We will begin the formal teaching of letter names and their sounds in week 3 using Jolly Phonics Program as a support resource.

Reading is an integral part of the Prep environment and children will experience different forms every day.

### Social and Personal learning

Our focus will be on establishing and learning school and class routines, class covenant and expectations.

Introduction of Ruby Respect and respectful behaviours.

Children explore and develop the skills necessary to get along with peers and adults in Prep.

### HPE

Perceptual motor program, used several times a week, for gross motor development and learning about use of play equipment for personal safety. Investigation of ‘Who Helps Keep Us Safe’ at school. Making our own ‘Personal Safety Network’ – nominating 5 people who help keep us safe.

Specialist HPE lessons are on Tuesdays (PG, PC, PR) and Wednesdays (PM, PD) with Mr Nathan Jacobs.

### Science

**Biological Sciences Strand**

The children will explore that they have basic needs, including food and water. This incorporates healthy eating and drinking water to keep themselves healthy and hydrated.

**Physical Science Strand**

The children will explore that the way objects move depends on a variety of factors, including their size and shape. They will participate and explore this in weekly rotational activities.

### Geography

The children will explore our personal geography including our school area, our homes, addresses and our local area.

### Music

The children will participate in getting to know you songs with actions. Specialist lessons are on Tuesday (PC, PG, PR) and Wednesdays (PM, PD) with Mrs Holt.

### Art

Specialist art lesson with Mrs Ashford are on Tuesday (PC, PG, PR) and Wednesdays (PM, PD). The children are learning about an Austrian artist named Hundertwasser. They will be learning about concentric circles and drawing on images of nature for inspiration of art work.

### History

The children will identify similarities and differences between families. They recognize how important family events are commemorated.