



## Prep News Term 4 Week 5



Dear Parents,

Another busy week at Prep! Last week at Prep we continued our investigations into Plants. In small groups we drew a labelled diagram of the 3 things (sun, water and soil) that a plant needs to grow and played a game where insects raced around the garden. In the garden game the children had to throw 2 dice and move their insect the number that was the most. We also played another game where the insects raced up a flower and that time the children had to move their counter the number that was the least. We explored repetitive 3 part patterns where the children had to do a threading using a flower, stem and leaf in the order that they chose and then draw their pattern. We enjoyed some science using fruit and vegetables where we had to predict whether they would float or sink, record our predictions on a data sheet and then test our predictions. At the end of the week we used the fruit and vegetables to make printings. Also this week we did some beautiful flower paintings and insect drawings to make a Spring Garden display.

We also checked on our seed experiments from last week. We planted some seeds that were all missing one essential thing that a plant needs. Our results were that the water and sun seed went rotten, the soil and sun seed did not grow and the soil and water but no sun plant grew very tall very quickly and was pale yellow. This week we will continue our work on plants and then move into some investigations of insects.

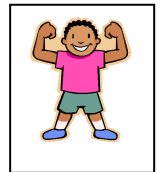
The library is going to be packed up this week and all resources will be stored in the demountable shed in the lower carpark in preparation for a big remodel over the holidays. Please return all school library books ASAP as there will be no more library lessons this term. Borrowing will continue from the Prep library.

### ***Reminders this week:***

- **Nothing out of the ordinary to remember. YEAH!!!**

### ***Other Dates to Remember this term:***

- ★ **Wednesday 11 November: Final Prep Open Morning for 2010 students**
- ★ **Wednesday 9 December: Prep Christmas Party**



Thank you for your support this week. Any questions please see me,

Thanks,

Sue and Kerry.