



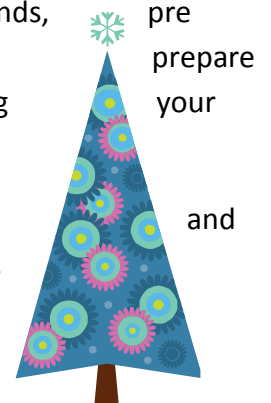
Newsletter - November 2014

Dear Parents,

We are now into Term 4 and have some very busy and fun times ahead of us. The children will continue participating in a variety of school readiness activities including revising sounds, reading and writing skills as well as maths and science experiences that will help to them for the kindergarten classroom. If you have any questions or concerns regarding child's readiness, please make an appointment with Sarah to discuss this.

We have also started practicing our Christmas concert! The children are very excited and you will no doubt be hearing them signing along and practicing their actions at home.

Please find below some important information and reminders for the coming "Festive Season." Also, please find attached a calendar for Term 4.



Graduation Photos:



Graduation photos will be on Monday 3rd November at 9:30am. These photos are for the children who are leaving for school only. The Seahorses who are returning will have their graduation photos taken next year.

You will also be given an envelope to fill in and make your payment. **Payment is required on the day. No change will be given.**

These envelopes will be collected by staff when you arrive. Children who do not usually attend on Monday's can stay with staff until 11:00am and then be collected.

Fancy dress or Crazy hair week:

As a follow up to requests by the children to have a dress up day at preschool, we will be having a fancy dress or crazy hair week from Monday 24th November to Friday 28th November so that everyone can participate.

This does not have to be an expensive venture. The Warehouse shop in stocks a variety of accessories or costumes. Your child may even have a dress or a Spiderman costume at home that could be used; Mum and Dad's wardrobe may even hold some handy options. We do ask that very special clothes, costumes etc. be kept at home.



If your child does not wish to dress up there is also the option of 'Crazy Hair' for the day. We also ask that you please ensure your child has spare clothes in their bag that they may change into if it becomes too hot or too cold.

Lunch Box Week:

Each day during the week of Monday 17th November to Friday 21st November, the Seahorse children will be participating in lunch box week.



We ask that the children please bring along an empty lunch box and drink bottle (**Name clearly marked**). We will then fill them with the children's lunch and drink so that we can help them learn how to open gladwrap and unscrew bottle tops and put them back on so that they do not leak in their bag.

We will also be doing a lot of talking about asking for help when it's needed and problem solving. These discussions provide the children with a great opportunity to talk about "big school" with peers and preschool teachers. All Seahorse children are invited to participate in this activity including those not going to school next year.

School Visit:

To extend our discussions about "big school" the Seahorses will be going on a mini excursion up to Thirlmere Public School. The children will benefit from walking up with their teachers and friends and also looking around the school. We will also be visiting the school library for a story and having morning tea in the playground.

Even if your child will not be attending Thirlmere P.S it is still a nice experience to accompany their orientation days. Also, if Thursday is not your child's usual day attendance you are still more than welcome to accompany your child on the meet us up at the school on **Thursday 13th November**.



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THE TIME OF THIS WALK IS TO BE ADVISED A separate permission note will be out within the week.

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Christmas Concert:

Our Christmas concert dates for this year are **Tuesday 9th December** and **Thursday 11th December**. Concert's begin at **9:30am** and are held at Preschool.

There will be a separate note going out next week with more information as well as your child's allocated concert date. If you have any questions please see a staff member.



Portfolios:

ALL PORTFOLIOS MUST BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 2014

If your child is not leaving for “big school” portfolios will be going home the week beginning Monday 15th December. Please use our Christmas holiday break to share your child’s portfolio with your family and celebrate their work and achievements before bringing it along with you when you return in 2015.

Graduation Day:

Graduation day will be held on **Thursday 18th December at 9:30am**. On this day all of the children leaving for school will be presented with their diplomas, reports and graduation photos. Following this there will be a graduation party as a farewell to the children. If you would like to purchase a t-shirt for the occasion for their friends to sign, please see a staff member as we are running low
on certain sizes.

Portfolios will also be available for collection on this day for all children.



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Preschool closes:

Our closing date for 2014 will be Friday 19th December and we will resume on Monday 5th January, 2015.

If you have any questions, please see a member of staff.

Thank you,

Team Pegasus 😊

Important Dates for Term 4

Monday 27 th October	Tuesday 28 th October	Wednesday 29 th October	Thursday 30 th October	Friday 31 st October
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Monday 3 rd November Graduation Photos 9:30am	Tuesday 4 th November	Wednesday 5 th November	Thursday 6 th November	Friday 7 th November
Monday 10 th November	Tuesday 11 th November	Wednesday 12 th November	Thursday 13 th November Graduating children walk to school – time TBA	Friday 14 th November
Monday 17 th November Lunch box week for 4-5's	Tuesday 18 th November Lunch box week for 4-5's	Wednesday 19 th November Lunch box week for 4-5's	Thursday 20 th November Lunch box week for 4-5's	Friday 21 st November Lunch box week for 4-5's
Monday 24 th November Crazy Hair / Dress up Week	Tuesday 25 th November Crazy Hair / Dress up Week	Wednesday 26 th November Crazy Hair / Dress up Week	Thursday 27 th November Crazy Hair / Dress up Week	Friday 28 th November Crazy Hair / Dress up Week
Monday 1 st December	Tuesday 2 nd December	Wednesday 3 rd December	Thursday 4 th December	Friday 5 th December
Monday 8 th December	Tuesday 9 th December Christmas Concert	Wednesday 10 th December	Thursday 11 th December Christmas Concert	Friday 12 th December
Monday 15 th December	Tuesday 16 th December	Wednesday 17 th December	Thursday 18 th December Graduation Day	Friday 19 th December Last day of Preschool

Preschool resumes Monday 5th January, 2015