

# Grayston Preparatory School

*Holding the Hand that Holds the Future*

Pre Preparatory Newsletter No 4



## Following instructions

Or



Employ this procedure when giving instructions at home. Ask your child to repeat the instructions given before going off to execute these. Start with a single instruction and gradually build it up to a series of instructions.

## Eye tests

All the Pre Prep children underwent an eye-screening last week to identify potential problems. You should, by now, have received a copy of the report. We would strongly advise that you follow up on any concerns noted by visiting your own optometrist for a full evaluation.

## Allergies

If your child is allergic to anything, please e-mail the class teacher immediately, giving the details of the allergy – what sets it off and the medication or treatment required. If medication is necessary, please ask that the necessary permission form be sent to you, complete it and return it as soon as possible, together with the necessary medicine.

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## Care Bears

The Grade Seven Care Bears will visit their cubs for the first time today. They have prepared introductory letters for your children and would dearly love a reply from their cubs in the form of a picture. Please read the letters to your children and encourage them to draw pictures for their Care Bears. The drawings can be brought to school on Monday and the Pre Prep teachers will pass them on to the Grade Sevens.

## Cookie Day

The bakers for Thursday 9 February are:

Robert Carr (RM), Matthew Bossenger (RN),  
Brad Biggs (RJ), Amelia Barnes (00P), Brett  
Fernihough (00M) and Kira Dayaljee (000P).

## Theme

Our theme until 10 February is 'Me, My Family and My Home'. From 13 February until 2 March we will be learning about 'My body, my senses and healthy eating'.

## Lost Property

The following items of clothing have gone missing. Please check at home and return them to school if they turn up.

- A pair of black and blue swimming goggles
- A blue swimming cap

Please ensure that all items of clothing are marked so that they can be returned to their rightful owners if found.

### Important dates to diarise

#### **Monday 6 and Tuesday 7 February**

- The Travelling Bookshop will be visiting – books at very reasonable prices will be on sale in the Media Centre

#### **Friday 10 February**

- Mommies' and Daddies' Tea Party for Grade R children – boys and girls to dress up as their moms and dads for the day
- Teddy Bears' picnic for Grade 000 and Grade 00 children

Please note that the above events are only for the children and will be part of our daily programme.

#### **Tuesday 14 February and Wednesday 15 February**

- Hearing Tests – parents will be informed if a problem is identified

#### **Wednesday 15 February**

- THRASS Parent Workshop at 18:30. This is largely directed at Grade One parents but any interested Pre Prep parents are welcome to attend.

### Collection of recyclable materials

We would appreciate your assistance in collecting the following recyclable materials for use in our creative activities:

- Child-friendly used magazines like Your Family, House and Home and so on
- Toilet roll innards
- Cardboard boxes
- Ice-cream and yoghurt tubs
- Tins

Please deliver these to your child's class teacher.

### Help!

Grade 00 children are asked to collect a variety of 'textured' odds and ends that could be used for creating texture collages and bring these to school by Monday 13 February – bubble wrap,

corrugated card, cotton wool, dry pasta, dry rice and so on.

***HAVE YOU READ YOUR CHILD A BEDTIME STORY EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK? This practice develops a love for reading, enhances your child's language skills and improves his/her listening capabilities!***

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*Mr Mark Hayter*

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