

Peregian Beach College Junior Playground adventures.



Potion Making



Tree climbing Fun



Mowing the lawn

ELC NEWSLET-

Welcome to our Term 3 Newsletter, showing a snippet of the fun, learning and adventures we've had at PBC Early Learning Centre.



This term we have loved exploring our outdoor play space, we engaged in Nature walks, Mud Kitchen play, tending to our Veggie garden and loose parts. Thank you Miss Mandy and Miss Emma for attending the wildlings PD and creating spaces and experience that allow children to get back to basics.











Playball

We have loved having coach Matt come in and teach the kid's sports skills through varied weekly programs. Our kids are loving it so much they have even been engaging in their own play based learning.









Ocean Life

We were so fortunate to have Ocean life discovery visit our Kindy this term. The children were able to partake in a interactive touch and learn session introducing children to creatures from the ocean, with live marine creatures to touch. The children gained a wealth of knowledge from this visit learning about the different eco-systems and environments that sea creatures live in.



NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week is held across Australia to celebrate and recognize the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. This year NAIDOC week focused on the theme of 'Keep the fire burning! Blak, Loud and Proud'.



Book Week

We have loved exploring the library this term especially with the theatrics of Book week. This year we focused on the them "Reading is Magic" our children's eye's definitely lit up when attending a very magical book week parade.









Science week experiment



Music magic







Hey little warrior

After attending the 'Hey little Warrior' PD Miss Emma has slowly introduced the children to Iggy the Amygdala. The story takes on a practical class-based approach towards strengthening all children against anxiety, expanding their capacity for brave behaviour, and understanding more about the brain. Iggy has been on some exciting adventures with our wattle friends and we love hearing all about how he makes children build their capacity to calm big feelings and move towards brave behaviour.



Getting Ready for Prep

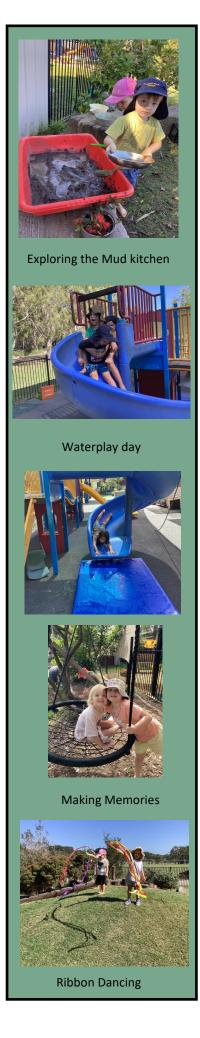
The wattle class have been focusing on literacy and numeracy skills, Science, language and communication this term and getting ourselves ready for the transition to prep!

The children have loved Alphabet soup at group time, this has furthered their understanding of the sound each letter makes and have practiced their writing skills by tracing the letter with their fingers.

Also this term we have been focusing on our mathematical skills through investigation, measurement and numeracy. Children have loved using the scales to experiment with the heavy and light as well as diving into water play to test the idea of sink or float.







Supporting children in their transition to

We acknowledge that starting school is a big milestone for children (and their parents) so this term we will be supporting our Kindy children in their transition to Prep. Children have been very proud to tell us about their new schools and it has been great to hear about their visits.

We will encourage children to reflect and 'wonder about' things that may be similar or different at school and will continue to encourage their independence and self-help skills with regards to dressing, toileting, tidying their own things away in their locker and keeping our environment tidy, as well as supporting name recognition, fine motor skills such as cutting and pencil grip, recognising letter sounds and rhyming.

The Prep teachers have shared some useful skills for children to have when starting Prep:

- Zip up my school bag
- Close my lunch box
- Put my own shoes on
- Apply sunscreen
- Get myself dressed
- Wash my own hands
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As you are aware, we have a duty to write transition statements which, with your permission, are sent to your child's school teacher. These show your child's skills and abilities and suggestions for how they can be supported in their transition to school. Once the statement has been written, you will be sent a copy for you to approve or request that any inaccurate personal information about you or your child is corrected. You will then be asked to sign consent for me to send it to your child's new school. Please let us know of any-thing that you or your child feel is important to include in their transition statement. Here are a couple of links to websites with lots of helpful hints for supporting your child's transition to Prep.

<u>Supporting your child with the move to Prep | Education and training |</u> <u>Queensland Government (www.qld.gov.au)</u>

Supporting children's transition to Prep | Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (qcaa.qld.edu.au)

Dates for the Diary

11th November- Remembrance Day
29th November- End of Year Celebration (Details to follow)
20th December- Our last day of 2024 and final day for children moving to prep in 2025
6th January- Re-open for 2025