SPECIALIST NEWS TERM 4!

**ART**

This term we will be developing our drawing, patterning and construction skills with a wide range of activities. The Preps have started the term creating a Mandala using oil pastel and food dye. They have already created some eye-catching patterns within the sections of their mandalas and will be building on the effect with layers of food dye this week. We will use embellishments and glitter to finish off their masterpiece!

We will also work within the Topsy Turvy Fairy Tale theme this term to tie in with the classroom inquiry topic. Using 3D construction skills we will design and build fantasy pieces to complement their classroom work.

**MUSIC**

This term we will be making the most of every child’s natural instrument – their voice!

We will be learning lots of new songs and singing games and through these developing and extending the children’s knowledge of pitch, beat and rhythm. We will also discover new and different ways to use body and vocal percussion sounds and spend time preparing for the Christmas Concert.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

This term the preps will continue to focus on movement, coordination, dance and minor games. They will learn about their place in space and how to make their own space as well as respecting other people’s space. Students will continue to develop their fundamental motor skills through sessions and practice with and without equipment. Prep’s will learn about going ‘out’ in games and general good sportsmanship. The Prep students need to bring their hats, water bottles and wear their runners on Fridays.

**JAPANESE**

こんにちは。 In Japanese class, students will learn to read and write numbers in Japanese using IWB and ipads. They also start learning vocabulary starting with あ(a), い(i), う(u), え(e), お(o). They will also learn new Japanese songs/games and will enjoy some aspects of Japanese cultural events.