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Avoiding Morning Traffic at BMH

Thank you to all our families for working so hard on ensuring students arrive at school each day on time, in the correct uniform, having had a good sleep and a healthy breakfast. Starting the day the right way for our children makes such a difference to their learning and their engagement.

The same is true of our parent community and we know how frustrating it can be to spend the first part of your morning stuck in traffic. For all families electing to drop Prep School children at the main gate, please remember that this is a 'drop off zone' which means cars may pull up at the furthest available stopping point alongside the curb, say goodbye to your child whose belongings should be sitting with them on the backseat where possible to ensure a prompt exit from the car, and then pull away from the drop off zone. Cars should not be parked or turned off and drivers should not exit the car to come and say goodbye to children at the gate or on campus. For any parent who wishes to accompany their child to the gate or on-site, you are most welcome to do so, and parents should use the underground car park (follow signs for BMH parking area) in this case. Once drivers have dropped off a child at the main gate, they should continue to move down the road towards the MH Mall and rejoin their route for the onward journey. Parents and drivers are asked to kindly avoid turning around directly in front of the school gates, which causes congestion and reduces safety outside the school entrance.

Thank you for working together with us to make everyone's start to the school day as positive and safe as possible.



Prep 4 Ecosystems Presentation

It is November already and classes are nearing the end of the first of four inquiry units this year. Prep 4 students have been studying 'Ecosystems', and they demonstrated their learning last week by showing their work and explaining an incredible amount of knowledge and information about their work.

Students completed a model diorama, as well as some information posters and flow charts, which outlined their understanding of the concepts they have learned throughout the unit of work. There were many kinds of ecosystems being presented, such as rainforests, deserts, savannahs and tundras. Not only are these areas unique, but they are also home to many species of endangered animals.

The students talked about the importance of understanding and protecting these ecosystems, so that future generations can learn about them and preserve and sustain the environment. The students presented their work and talked to visiting staff and classes about the ecosystems they studied, how all living things receive their energy from the Sun and how ecosystems are made of a number of important and interacting parts. These parts rely on each other for survival and each are linked, which is why the whole environment is out at risk when species become extinct.

Launch of Green Team

A group of teachers launched the “green team” initiative at Prep Assembly on 12th November. The team was been established with the aim of arousing people’s awareness of protecting our environment and taking action to get the community involved in saving our planet. Students showed their enthusiasm to get involved by signing up this week. More details soon.

BMH Tasting Day

BMH Tasting Day each month offers a stage for Chefs from Pre and Prep schools to present their superb cooking skills, a showcase of healthy and balanced food for BMH students as well as an incentive to pursue excellence. Judges consisting of BMH Senior Leadership Team and Admin colleagues were amazed by the delicious food, and graded the food on Look, Smell, Taste, and Nutrition & Balance. Thanks to our Chefs and kitchen teams, children at BMH can enjoy balanced and healthy food.



Upcoming Events

17th of November:
BMH Information Session

22nd November:
Coffee Morning for K3-P5 Parents,
“BMH Prep Teaching&Learning”

27th November:
Evening event for K3
“A view to the future”



Outdoor Learning in the Pre School.

This year the Pre School teachers have been focusing a lot on building the outside provision for our students. Allowing children the opportunity to learn in the big outdoors has become an integral part of our daily life here in the Pre School.

It is highly important that the outdoor learning area provides just as much learning as the indoors if not more. All children enjoy playing outside and exploring their surroundings. The outdoor learning area is a place where children can fully immerse in all types of learning, whether this is developing their gross motor skills, or learning about living creatures and plants or sharing a story in a cosy den area!

Research has shown the benefits are plentiful. Learning outside the classroom supports the development of healthy and active lifestyles by offering children opportunities for physical activity, freedom and movement, and promoting a sense of well-being. Learning outside the classroom gives children contact with the natural world and offers them experiences that are unique to the outdoors, such as direct contact with the weather and the seasons. Playing and learning outside also helps children to understand and respect nature, the environment and the interdependence of humans, animals, plants, and life-cycles.

Outdoor play also supports children’s problem-solving skills and nurtures their creativity, as well as providing rich opportunities for their developing imagination, inventiveness and resourcefulness.