This week’s news:

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful start to the term we have had in the Junior Learning Unit. The children seemed to be very pleased to be back at school among their friends and teachers. They have all worked extremely hard and have been fully engaged in all activities planned and presented to them by their teachers.

As you would be aware from last week’s newsletter, we are focusing on multiculturalism this term and a mini questionnaire was sent home last week asking a few basic questions about the culture of our families. We would like to celebrate our diversity by making a brief film about the various cultural heritages found within our school population. At a brief meeting of all the juniors we found that we had about twenty two different nationalities represented. So we are a truly multicultural school. Please make sure that your questionnaire is completed and returned your teacher as soon as possible.

PMP started last week and will take place every second week on a Wednesday at 12:30. If you can help we would love to see you there as different activities have been planned that require adult supervision in order for the students to gain a positive and extended experience. PMP will take place next week.

Thank you to all the families that responded so quickly to our notice asking for pre-loved toys to be used in our shop this week. The students will be able to purchase items that they like with the money they have earned for positive behavior throughout the week. It will be a lot of fun and also provide the students with the opportunity to earn and use money in a practical real life situation.

Please help your child to learn the word of the song "I Am Australian." We are going to allocate two versus to each grade level in order to make it easier to learn for our assembly performance. The Preps will lead the singing of the chorus as the other grades join in. 1/2 CJ will learn the words of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd verse while 1/2V will earn the words of the 4th, 5th and 6th.

Have a wonderful week of learning,

Luke Van Leuveren, Brogan Badrock, Cathy Jacobs, Marcia Cartwright

This week’s learning:

This week we will continue to look at how people are different but very much the same. Our focus for Inquiry this week will be, “What Does Culture Mean?” During Numeracy we will focus on exploring money which will include the use of a shop containing our pre-loved toys which the students may purchase with their money earned throughout the week. Preppies will learn to identify coins and also participate in our shopping activities.