“Childhood’s work is learning... and it is in his play that the child works at his job.” (Caroline Pratt)

We welcome you all to the academic year 2016-2017! In Prep we encourage, motivate and support our children to explore and learn in a creative way! Our endeavour is to make this journey a stress free and enjoyable experience for our children. We are indeed looking forward to a great year ahead!

Several Activities have been planned for the children during the months of April and May:

EVS

Celebrating Earth Day- Showing children how to care for their mother Earth teaches them how to care for their community, home, themselves and their loved ones. We will celebrate this learning along with the whole world on 22nd April 2016 as “The Earth Day”. Our little ones will learn about “Recycling of waste” and “keeping our Environ clean” through interactive sessions during circle time and various hands on activities.

Myself and My neighbourhood- We request you to kindly go for a walk with your little one around your neighbourhood areas. This will help him/her during our circle time discussions. To familiarise the children with their school and surroundings we will take them for a tour around the school also.
**English**

A thorough recap of phonetics taught in nursery will be done along with oral drill of three letter words. Our children will be handling the big square note book and writing crayons for the first time.

Here we request all parents to please encourage their children to practise various fine motor skill activities. This will help us to make the transition from crayons to pencils very easy.

The class teachers will brief you regarding the best practices during the Parents Day Out. Children will continue to write with writing crayons till July.

**Number work**

- Quick recap of numbers from 0-9 will be done.
- With the help of number rhymes and games children will be able to handle numbers from 0-9.
- Writing of numbers 1,2,3,4 and 5 will be taught in big square note books

**Hindi**

- In a fun filled and exciting manner Hindi Akshar will be introduced for the first time. Akshars to be done -व, ब, क.
- Every Akshar will have an introductory story which will not only help in vocabulary development but also in teaching easy strokes in formation of the letter introduced.

- In order to aid us in involving our little ones in the process we request you to kindly send magazine/paper cuttings of pictures related to letters taught.
Computers This is an exciting activity awaiting our children in the weekly time table. Children are introduced to the hardware, mouse and keyboard.

In Music Kamal sir will be teaching them songs on friendship and fun!

In Dance Rahul sir will be teaching them few easy steps on the rhythm of 8 counts.

In Art and Craft emphasis will be given on fine motor skill development. Pattern drawings and cutting and pasting activities will enhance the skills learnt in Nursery.

Along with academics we will involve them in various outdoor activities too.

Children will have outdoor play time on swings, jungle gym and big slides every day. They would be taken for a fun filled outing too! The excitement continues with Special tiffin day and Cooking without fire planned for fun in learning!

Show and Tell will be conducted in an organised and systematic way. We would like you to keep a watch for your child’s turn and make sure that an article made/coloured by your child or a story book is surely sent.

Literary days will be conducted in April. Our aim is to inculcate love for books and reading habit amongst our children. In order to encourage them to actively participate in this learning we have planned Activities like colouring various characters of their favourite story and then dressing up as one of them! We will also have an Interactive assembly; where-in teachers will enact a story for the kids. DEAR TIME (Drop Everything and Read) will be followed during these days. We encourage parent volunteers to come and conduct story session for our kids. Please get in touch with your ward’s class teacher for the same.
To make the transition from Nursery to Prep smooth and easy we request you to kindly adhere to the following points:

- Kindly ensure all your child’s belonging including shoes, uniform, bags, bottles etc...Are labeled properly.
- Ensure that your ward reaches school by 7:30 every day.
- Continue using I cards used in Nursery till fresh ones are issued.
- Take note of Parents Day Out/Orientation date and timings.

We strive continuously to make learning an enjoyable and happy process for our little ones. We look forward to your support and guidance in this endeavor. Communicate with us using the Almanac and school website. Remember your feedback is very valuable to us.

Wishing you and your child a fruitful year.

AbhaSahgal

(Principal)