Dear Parents,
This Term Overview provides you with a brief outline of the curriculum the students will be focussing on this term in specialist classes.

WHOLE SCHOOL ART EVENT
Every three years at Kensington Primary school we have a whole school arts event. This year arts week will be on during the 25th – 29th of July. Details are on the school website and have been sent home with each child. Note for your diary….
2.15pm on the 29th of July. Come along to the “Great Paper Plane” fly off, on the new resurfaced playground, followed by and open afternoon (until 5.30pm) to tour the grades to see what the students and teachers have been up to during arts week. Parents are also invited to come to art class with their child during this week and make art together, see your class teacher, school for website or ask your child when in the week they have art.

ART STAFF NEWS
The very next morning after arts week…. Linda is getting on a plane and flying to Canada and Alaska for four weeks of long service leave. We are extremely fortunate to have secured the services of Simone Nelson for this period. Simone is a fabulous teacher of a very high calibre, who knows the students of Kensington Primary School well. She has experience in dance and fine arts. She practises art regularly and is looking forward to the specialist role.

PERFORMING ARTS - Linda Weisser

Clay modelling, art works in three dimensions Students will explore the sensory qualities of the clay and become aware of the ways we use clay in our lives.

Art elements-form, texture, pattern.

Art skills:
- modelling and manipulation of clay. eg squeeze, roll, stretch, flatten, shorten, lengthen, pulling, pushing, twisting pinching smoothing hollowing bending carving pressing patting etc.
- Learning how to make a pinch pot with sides of even thickness.
- Learning to add on with correct joining techniques.
- Learning the correct storage and cleaning up routines involved in making ceramic art works.
- Exploring tools to create texture to decorate the surface
- Use arts language to articulate opinions and to describe ceramic artworks.

VISUAL ARTS – Linda Weisser

Overview 3D – modelling clay
Arts appreciation and responding to the arts. Students will be learning and applying arts language such as texture and form when making a study and discussing a range of actual and photographed ceramic art works.
Art making Students will recall, revise, share, consolidate and extend previously learned ceramic arts skills such as safely routines, joining techniques, incising, carving, adding, using texture tools for making marks, making coils and pinch pots. They will also be introduced to a new skill, building slab-based sculptures. Students will use all these skills to make a contribution to a group exhibition “ The Enchanted Forest”

PHYSICAL EDUCATION – Rachel Ryan

This term the Prep students will be building upon their body movement skills by practising dodging games as well as developing more ball skills such as rolling, bouncing and catching. Their skills will be put into practise at an exciting Basketball incursion on 5th September, provided by Melbourne United Basketball!