

*Starting Prep at  
Mernda Park Primary School*



*This is my new school. It is called  
Mernda Park Primary School.*



*This is the main gate where I go into my school.*



*This is one of my teachers whose name is Ashlee Ierino.*

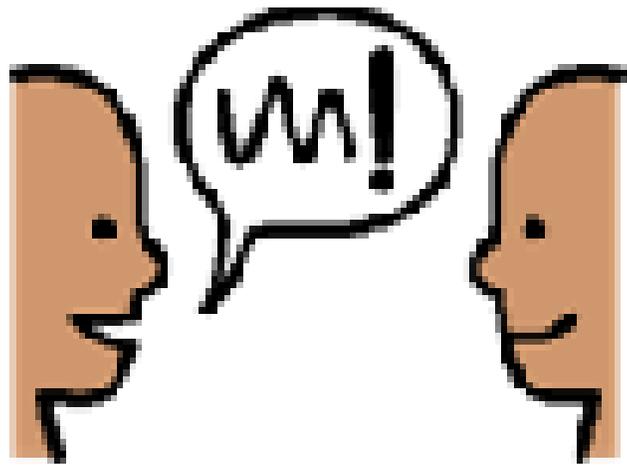
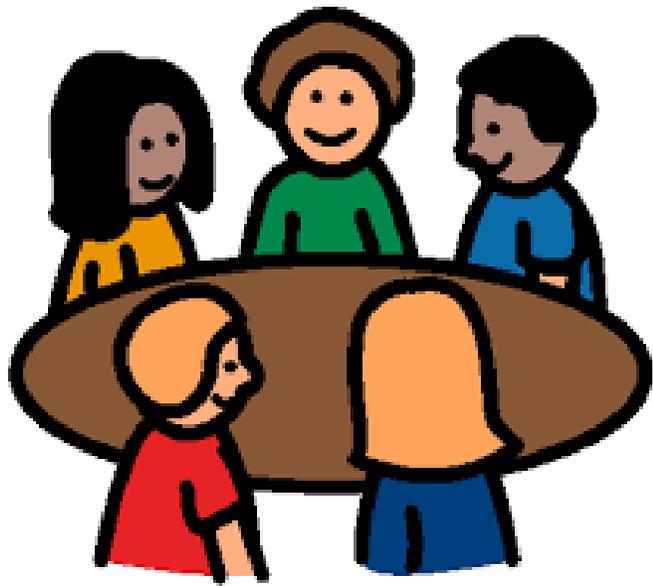
*My teacher and the other teachers at school will look after me while I am at school. I can ask my teachers to help me if I need help. My teachers care about me and like to know about me.*



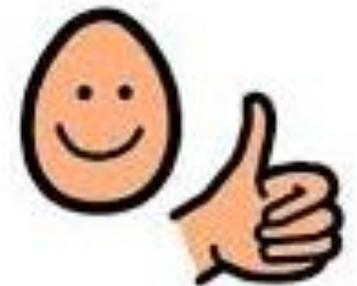
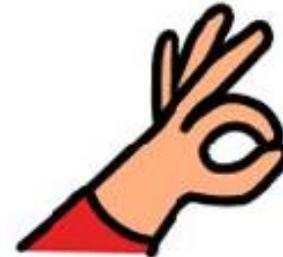
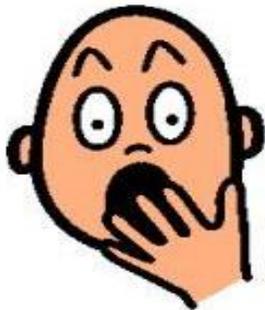
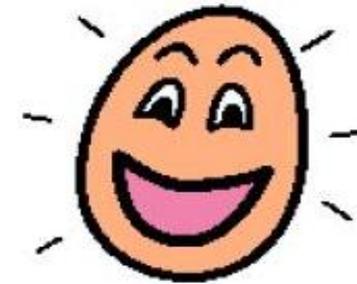
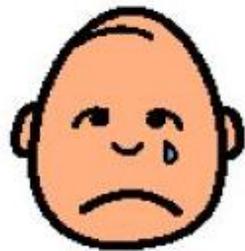
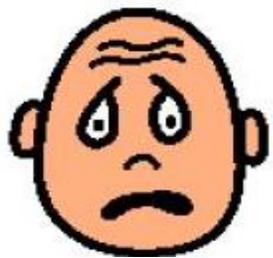
*Ashlee*



I can have a lot of fun at school and learn a lot of things. I might see some Kinder friends there and make some new friends too.



Sometimes I might miss my family while I am at school. Some children might feel nervous because they miss their family but the teachers will help them to feel better.



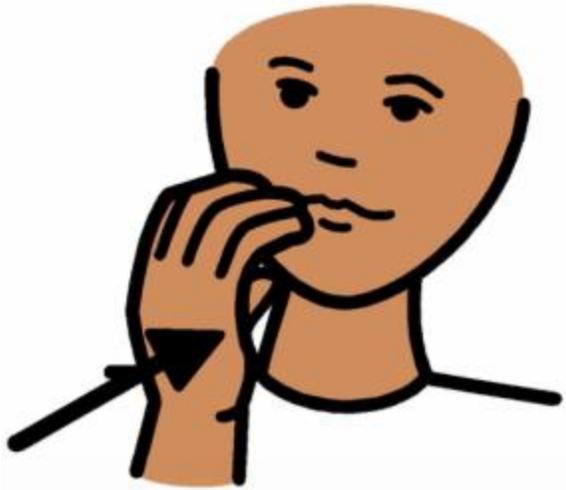
*I wear my uniform to school including my all black shoes or runners.*



I have a school bag with my recess, lunch, brain food and drink bottle inside. My name is on everything. This is where I put my bag when I am at school.



I eat my recess, brain food and lunch at school. I help to pack a nude-food lunch box to protect the environment.



food



eat



drink



*This is the bike shed. If I ride to school I can safely leave my helmet, bike and/or scooter in there. The bike shed is locked during the school day.*



*This is the principal whose name is Mary Ryan.*

*This is the assistant principal whose name is  
Caroline Van Oorschot. The principals look after all  
the children and the teachers at the school.*



*Mary – Principal*



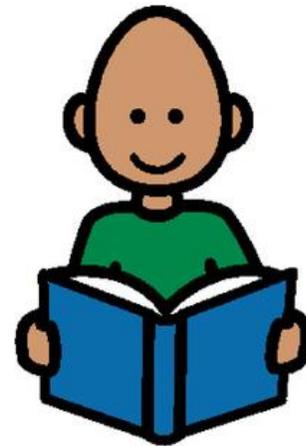
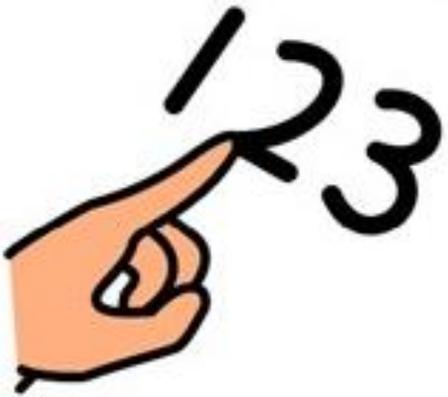
*Caroline - Assistant Principal*



*This is my Learning Community where I have fun and learn with the other children in my class. I will learn the names of the other children and they will learn my name as well.*



I know how to do a lot of things at school because I have done them before. I may draw, paste, count, play, listen to stories and sing songs at school.



There are tables and chairs in the Learning Community and spaces where all the children can sit to listen to the teachers read us a story or to help us to learn new things. We learn about reading, writing, maths and science. We learn about our school CARE values.



**CARE**  
At MPPS we care about each other and value...

**C**ollaboration  
Working together

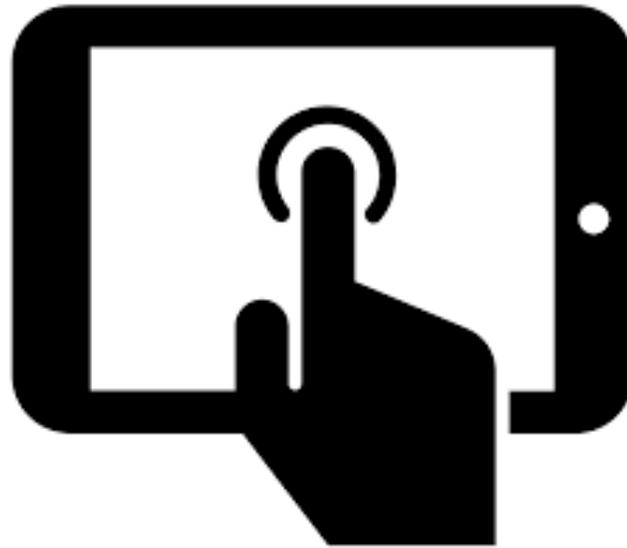
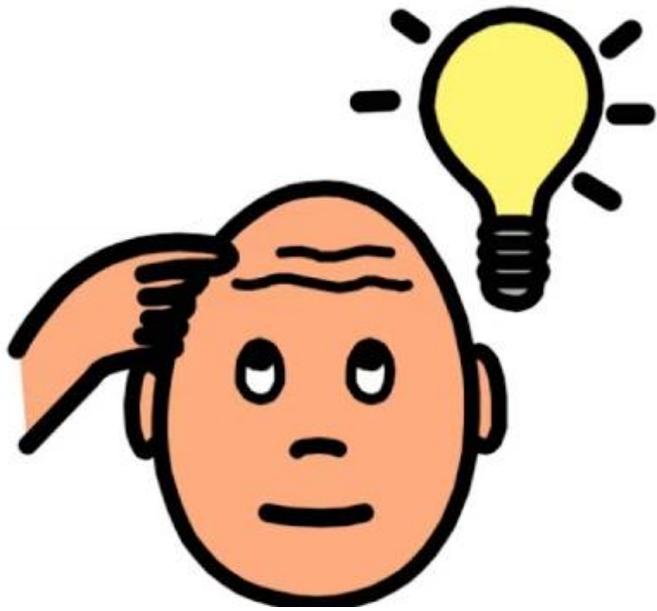
**A**chievement  
Doing our absolute best

**R**esponsibility  
Choosing right, doing right

**E**mpathy  
Be kind, considerate and helpful



We learn lots of things every day. I try my best to tell my family about my busy school day. My family can visit the Prep blog on the MPPS website to see some of the fun things we do at school.



We have many different play spaces. It is fun to talk and laugh and play with my friends at recess and lunch time. In the Central Plaza I can play games printed on the asphalt and use the sports equipment. I can sit on the mounds to finish my snack or lunch.



*In the Front Playground I can play in the sandpit and use the play equipment.*



*Sometimes, I will visit the oval with my teachers to have a 'brain-break'.*



MPPS teachers are on yard duty before and after school and during recess and lunch breaks.

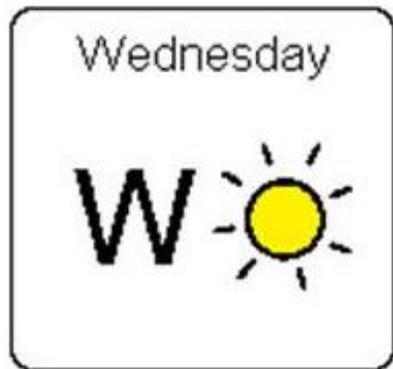
During recess and lunch breaks, the yard duty teacher wears a bright yellow vest and carries a first aid kit.

I can always ask the yard duty teacher for help.



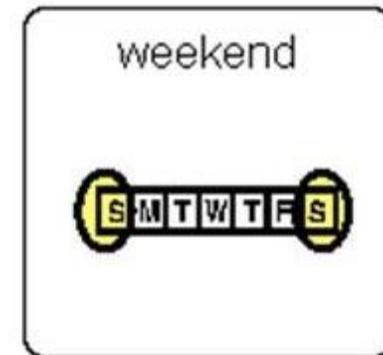
There are school days, weekends and holidays. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday are school days and Saturday and Sunday are the weekend days. I don't go to school on the weekend or in the holidays.

At the beginning of prep, I don't go to school on Wednesdays. These days are testing days for prep children. I only attend the interview at the set appointment time/date that will be provided by my teachers.

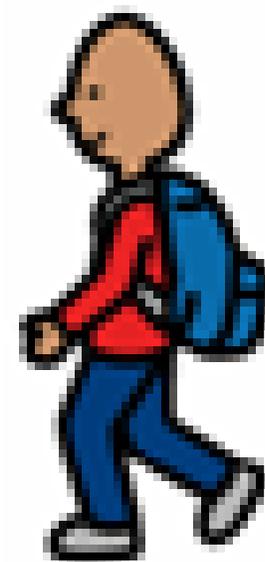


Prep Testing Day

FEBRUARY						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
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*When the music plays at 8:45am, I wave a cheerful goodbye to my family. I walk into Plenty Learning Community on time and ready for learning.*



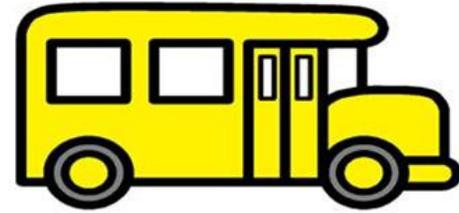
*This is the school office. If I ever arrive late to school after the music at 8:45am I will come to the office to get a late pass. Sometimes my family will visit the office.*



*There are toilets at my school. The teachers teach all of the new children about where the toilets are and how to use them. There are toilets in each Learning Community. There are toilets in each play area outside. I will flush and wash my hands after I use the toilet.*



All of the children have someone who picks them up after school. The teachers look after me until I am picked up. Some children might go home with their mum or dad or grandma or another person who looks after them. Some children might go to afterschool care and then get picked up and go home after that. Some children even go home on a bus.



Pack up school bag

Walk

Drive

Catch the bus

Home



*When I am going home I say goodbye and smile and wave to the teachers and the other children.*



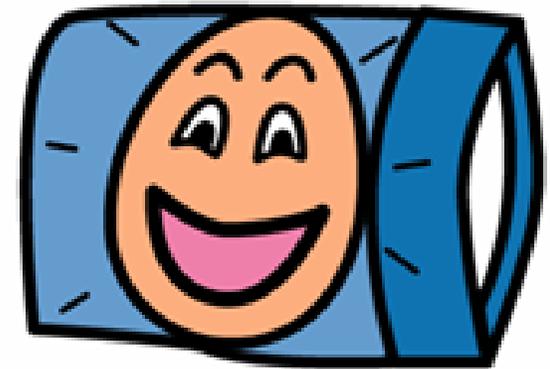
After a big day of learning at school, I may feel tired. I will make sure to have a good rest at home. This way I am ready for learning the next day.



home



tired



well-rested

