Welcome back to the start of Term 2! We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break.

This week we will be learning all about our families, with a special focus on our Mums. We don’t want to give away too much, but all of our activities will involve developing our fine motor skills and strengthening our little hands, as well as using our investigation skills to create something special for our Mums.

**Religion**

We will be talking about Jesus and His family over the coming weeks. This week we will focus on Mary and the special relationships we have with our Mums.

**Literacy**

We will continue to deconstruct sentences into words as we develop our literacy skills. We will also begin to explore words using syllables. Our book focus for this week will be ‘Dear Mum I Love You.’

**Numeracy**

This week we will be learning about patterning. We will focus on simple AB and ABC patterns and talk about where we see these in our environment. We will also be learning about the months of the year and the changing seasons as we begin to use our daily calendar.

**Outdoor Play**

Our outdoor environment will include a special mud kitchen and a perfume station where we will be able to explore our senses.

**Gross Motor**

Our focus over the next few weeks will be throwing and catching skills and developing our eye-hand coordination.

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**Nature in Action!**

Throughout this term we will be investigating plants and how they grow. This will be a long term project, one that the children have shown an interest in and have asked to explore. We are hoping to cultivate some vegetables and flowers!

**Important Date**

**Thursday 5th May 9:15-10:15**

**Mother’s Day Morning**

If you are unable to attend, we would love to have a Grandmother, Aunt or special family friend come in your place, we just ask that you please advise us beforehand.

**Parent Helper Roster**

Parent helper roster will start in week 2. This term we will have 2 spaces available for parent helpers on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you are able to help, please put your name down for a day that suits you.

**Family Photo**

Please send in a 10cm x 15cm photo of your family. We will need them in by Thursday 5th May.