

# Bentleigh West Kindergarten Inc.

HOME LEARNING - WEEK 3



PURPLE GROUP

MESSAGE FROM ANN



Hello Purple Group! How are you all?  
We miss your smiling faces & your happy chatter!  
Some of our friends are at Kinder, & some are  
staying at home with their family, because everyone is  
doing what is best for them.

We have had some lovely warm & sunny weather of  
late, so I hope you have been able to go outside into  
your garden & perhaps play some ball games or ride  
your bikes or scooters. Don't forget to wear your helmet!

Michelle, Chris, Michelle, Rachel, Anne (yes! we have  
another Anne at Kinder who works with Rachel & the  
3yo children, & the children in "extra care" on Friday  
afternoon) & I have set the Kinder room up differently  
to what we had last term. We have lots of new activities  
& many of them are spaces where only one person can  
play so we don't get too close to each other.

Outside we can still do the obstacle course, play  
in the sandpit & do many of the other activities we  
usually do - just not too many of us at the one time.

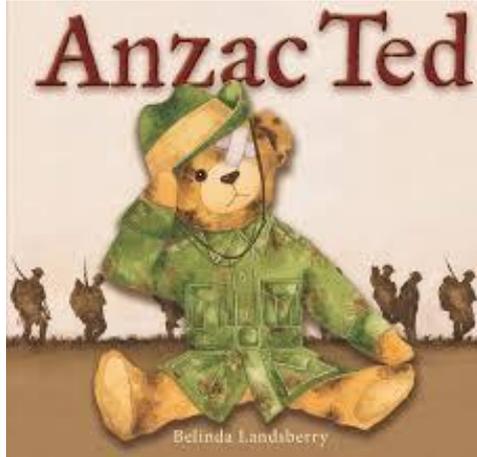
Stay safe everyone!  
Be kind to your Mum & Dad....  
& Keep washing your hands!

## STORY OF THE WEEK

This week we will read the book 'Anzac Ted' by Belinda Landsberry.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=94R4DVtLDgo>

Discuss what Anzac Day means to you and your family. Watch the reading of the book. Encourage your child to create a drawing or painting of Anzac Ted and send it to us. We will mount it on a special background and display it, along with those of the children at kinder who will be doing the same activity on Thursday.



## FUN ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK

**Hot or Cold Game** – Hide something in your house or yard and get someone try to to find it. Use the clue of 'hot' when they are close to the object and 'cold' when they move away from the object.

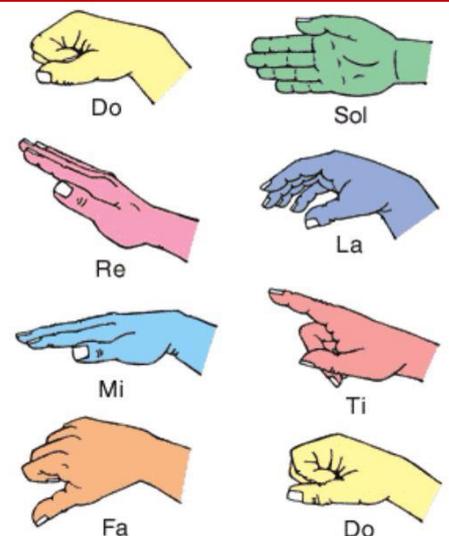
The Glen Eira Council have created some fun craft activities and ideas for home learning. Follow the link below to explore this information. [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/geplay](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/geplay)

## SONG OF THE WEEK

At kinder we are learning a new song  
Do-Re-Mi with the Solfege hand signals

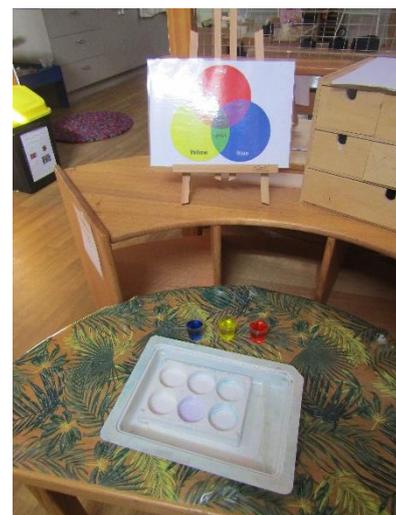
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3IU6X13ic00>

**What is Solfège?** Solfège (or Do-Re-Mi) is like the alphabet for music. Just as the ABC provides the building blocks for reading, solfège provides the building blocks for musical education. It is one of the most widely known and popular systems of teaching pitch, which brings together listening, singing and in due course, playing music.



## LEARNING EXPERIENCES (linked to our program)

Walking Water →  
rainbow



**LEARNING FOCUS:** science and colour

**FRAMEWORK FOCUS:** learning

**RESOURCES YOU NEED:** cups, water, paper towel and food colour or paint

There has been a lot of interest in colour and rainbows in our group. The children at kinder and at home have been drawing and painting rainbows (the symbol of hope). Last, week just like the children at home, the children at kinder talked about primary colours and secondary colours. We went on a colour hunt at kinder and later enjoyed mixing coloured water to make new colours. This week we will be doing the attached experiment. We hope you give it a try at home, and if you do we would love to see a photo.

<https://thestemlaboratory.com/walking-water-rainbow/>



**LEARNING FOCUS:** literacy

**FRAMEWORK FOCUS:** communication and learning

**RESOURCES YOU NEED:** books and a favourite toy

Create your own reading spot in your house using pillows, cushions and blankets. Create a sign so your family knows it your special reading spot. Every day spend time

in your reading spot. Select your favourite book and spend some time reading or looking at the book with your teddy or toy. You could show your teddy the pictures or retell the story in your own words. See if you can find the first letter of your name in the book somewhere.

**EXTENSION:**

- Draw the characters in your favourite book and attach them to sticks or pencil and put on a puppet show for your toys or family members.



**LEARNING FOCUS:** drawing, painting, sharing hope

**FRAMEWORK FOCUS:** communication and community

**RESOURCES YOU NEED:** pencils, textas, paints, crayons, paper (anything creative)

At kinder many children have been creating rainbows. Some children at home have also shared their rainbows with us. Many people are drawing rainbows as a sign of hope, and displaying them in their windows for others to see.

This week we have set up an area with lots of paper, paints and textas to support this interest in our program. Michelle (yellow group teacher) has even shared some of her own rainbow art to inspire us.

Can you create a rainbow and share with us? When you go for a walk look around your neighbourhood and see if you can find any rainbows.

**Here are some great song to listen to as you work**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cOLg7Y1vLio>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9IFGEfqH6GE>



**LEARNING FOCUS:** connecting with nature and learning about the change in seasons

**FRAMEWORK FOCUS:** community and wellbeing

**RESOURCES YOU NEED:** nature (eg your garden), paper and glue (we used a paper plate and contact).

Many children have been talking about the weather changes and we have noticed many trees at kinder have lost many of their leaves. At kinder we have been talking about autumn and what this means.

On Monday the children in purple group had the opportunity to go on a nature hunt at kinder and collect things that they found on the ground. We found lots of different leaves, seed pods and sticks. We talked about the things we found and the children were encouraged to touch the items they found and explain how they felt using descriptive words (smooth, soft, bumpy, lumpy etc..)

To make the display, the children took a piece of contact and stuck it on a paper plate with a hole cut out. The things they collected were placed on the contact and a second sheet was put over the top to secure the items.

Go on a nature hunt at home, what do you find? Can you create art using the items you find? We would love to see your work.

**Here is a great song to listen to as you work**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xXBNIpwh0c>

Chris had a great idea this last week to display the photos and artwork the children at home have been sending us, creating a 'home learning' wall. That way the children at kinder can see what the children at home are doing. Also, when the children return to kinder they can see that we have been seeing all the amazing things they have done while they were at home. If you get the time this week, please send us a photo or two. A big thank you to those people who have already sent photos to us!

