Dear Parents

In the coming weeks, students in Kindergarten will commence work on the history unit called *Personal and Family Histories*.

To assist us in this study, we ask that each family send in 2 family photos. One that is older and one that is more recent. The idea is that we see change. A photocopied version of the photos is preferred. If you can only send the originals they will be carefully handled and we will copy them and return them to you very quickly. Please write your child’s name on the back and transport them in a plastic sleeve or envelope.

We also require a family artifact (or image of an artifact) that demonstrates an important time in your family. Items that reflect events such as a special holiday, a new baby, a visit from a relative or something that represents your heritage would be suitable. Again, we will do our best to treat the item with the utmost of care. Please label items so that they can be returned to you. This unit of work will continue into Term 2 which means the artifact will be at school for that period of time.

We are including with this letter a form that requires you to provide us with some information that will help your child learn about their history. Firstly we ask you to describe the significance of the artifact to your family. Secondly, we ask you to describe an anecdote from when your child was a baby. Perhaps what they liked to eat, play or some funny things that they did.

Please send the photos, artefact and form to school by Friday 4th March.

As part of this unit of study, we will be looking at diverse cultural backgrounds. We would love some volunteers who would feel comfortable to come in and talk to the children about what it was like growing up within a particular culture or in a different country. The presentations would take place in May. Please contact one of the Kindergarten teachers if you are prepared to be involved.

Yours sincerely

Kindergarten Teachers
29th February 2016
My Artifact

My Artifact is:

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It is important to my family because:

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When has this / will this artefact be used? (please tick)

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What information does it tell us about the event?

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When I was a baby: (Anecdote from when your child was a baby.)

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