



# PRESTONS POST



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**A picture says a thousand words.....**



## Principal's Message

### P&C Family Movie Night – HUGE SUCCESS!!

Last Friday Night, the P&C held their first Family Movie Night – and what a great night it was!!!

It was wonderful to see SO MANY of our Prestons PS community come and join in this special event and share some quality time with family and friends. The reports that I have received so far have all been extremely positive, with many asking the same question – “When can we do it again?” (I guess this will be something that we will discuss at our next P&C meeting in Week 8!)

Of course, this evening would not have been a success without the great leadership of Mrs Naomi Bates (P&C Secretary) and the support of some of our very dedicated parents and staff members (and their families!). On behalf of everyone who enjoyed the night – THANK YOU!

### Kindergarten Orientation Program

Today we held our Kindergarten Orientation Day for the families of students commencing Kinder in 2014. It was great to meet some of our new families and share with them some of the fantastic things that are happening at Prestons Public School. Although I know that a lot of our visitors went away with their heads spinning from ‘information overload’, I’m sure that our current families will make them feel welcome when they join us next year.

Mark Greentree – Principal

***Have you enrolled your child for KINDY 2014 yet??***

***If not - your time is running out!!***

If your child is 5 or turning 5 before 31st July 2014 then you need to enrol now so that they can participate in the Kindergarten/Preschool Transition and Orientation program.

***To enrol - simply contact the School Office on 96027435.***

***Don't miss out on these great programs!!***

## 2013 DATES TO REMEMBER

**6/11/2013 - 19/11/2013**  
**Scholastic Book Fair**

**18/11/2013**  
**Selective HS**  
**applications due**

**19/11/2013**  
**Student Disco**  
**K-2 - 5pm-6pm**  
**3-6 - 6.15pm-7.30pm**

**26/11/2013**  
**P&C Meeting**  
**6pm Staffroom**

**3/12/2013**  
**K-2 Movie Day**

**9/12/2013**  
**Yr 6 Farewell**

## Sport Highlights

**PSSA Sport Venues for**  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

### Cricket

**JNR & SNR A Team**  
Amalfi Park, Lurnea

**JNR & SNR B Team**  
Phillips Park, Lurnea

**All outstanding Summer**  
**PSSA fees are now due**

## School Information

### Assembly Information

**K-2** – Every Wednesday commencing at **2.20pm**

**3-6** – Every **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday- Even Weeks** commencing at **2.15pm**

### PSSA Results from Round 7

#### JUNIOR A

Prestons defeated Wattle Grove  
133 runs to 105 runs

#### SENIOR A

Wattle Grove defeated Prestons  
61 runs to 50 runs

#### JUNIOR B

Prestons defeated Sackville St  
88 runs to 44 runs

#### SENIOR B

Prestons defeated Sackville St  
83 runs to 78 runs

### Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2013**  
Kinder – Yr2 – Movie Day  
Cost: \$11 – Due 29<sup>th</sup> Nov
- **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013**  
Yr 6 Farewell  
Liverpool Catholic Club  
5:45pm – 9:30pm  
Cost: \$30.00

### P&C Used Uniform Shop

The used uniform shop will be open every Friday morning from 8.30am for approximately 1 hour.

Learn **TENNIS**, the sport for a lifetime!

Group Lessons Ages 4 - 16yrs  
Private Lessons All Ages  
Beginners to Advanced welcome

Bookings & enquiries  
**98223336**

Free trial lesson - Call to book!  
Free junior tennis racquet with all new enrolments.  
Location - Club Marconi Prairievale Rd, Bossley Park.



MARCONI  
TENNIS & SQUASH

### Year 5 Selective High School 2015

Parents are reminded that the closing date for online and paper applications is the **18<sup>th</sup> November 2013**.

Detailed instructions on how to apply online are available at:

[www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement)

If internet access is not available, printed application forms can be obtained from the office.



### Friday PSSA & Primary Sport

With the warmer weather that we have been experiencing please make sure that your child has **plenty of drinks, a school hat and sunscreen** with them on Fridays. This will ensure that they are protected from the sun and well hydrated.

### Scholastic Book Fair

Prestons Public School will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair from the

**6<sup>th</sup> Nov to the 19<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Books will be available for sale to students from the library. Purchases can be made before school, first half of lunch and after school.

### Digital Citizenship

We are the first generation of parents responsible for equipping our children with digital citizenship skills – how to use technology safely and responsibly, and how to evaluate, manage and use the information and tools they find online.

Here are some tips to get you started:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/raising-good-digital-citizens>

### Sun Safety

This spring has seen temperatures soar. A new information pack with the latest advice on sun safety is available for parents.

Find out more:

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/student-support/studenthealth/sun-safety/index.php>

### Captain Nominations for 2014 Speeches

Congratulations to Vineet, Jabril, Kaylob, James, Ella, Charlotte, Aaliya, Emma, Liana, Tara, Lakota, Kyanna and Alana who have successfully completed the Captains Club Leadership Program and are now in the running to be a captain for 2014.

These students will be presenting their speech to the school during Week 8.



### Next Week

#### Tuesday

**19<sup>th</sup> November**

**K---2 5:00pm – 6:00pm**

**3---6 6:15pm -7:30pm**

**Cost \$5.00 (includes free glow stick)**

**Permission notes will be distributed shortly. Notes and money will be collected at the door.**

Learn *Music* on *keyboard* in **2014**  
**Prestons Public School**

**Currently Taking Enrolments Now!**  
**Limited Vacancies**

- \* 45 minute weekly lesson - small group
- \* Instrument not required initially
- \* Music material provided
- \* Competitive rate - \$25 per session
- \* Convenient at-school venue

**Smart Kids Love Music!**

Call: **9411 3122** to enrol  
(business hours during school term)



[www.learnmusicatschool.com.au](http://www.learnmusicatschool.com.au)



# Classroom Chat with .....

## 2B

This term 2B have developed their sentence writing skills. They have been learning to add adjectives, adverbs and change simple sentences into compound and complex sentences.

We changed “The girl skipped down the path” into...

The lovely rich girl skipped peacefully down the sparkly blue path because she wanted to go to the aquarium with her family. – Paris

The beautiful girl skipped badly down the bumpy black path because she was being chased. – Craig

The beautiful young girl skipped nicely down the dirty path she saw a fun looking playground. – Andrea

We have also continued to develop our skills in TEN number groups. 2B have shown that they can add and subtract numbers up to 4-digit using a range of strategies.

“My favourite subject is TEN groups. I like it because I am good at it” – Alex



## 5/6J

It's only week five and 5/6J has had such a busy term already!

We are currently completing a visual literacy unit in literacy groups and studying Finding Nemo as a part of this. The students are thoroughly enjoying this element of study and are very engaged in their lessons.

To relate to our visual literacy theme we have been completing artworks with an underwater theme. Here are some of the brilliant examples.



**HOLDING OUR BREATH ARTWORKS**



We have had many 5/6J students compete in the Prestons Cup this year. Good luck to all those teams who are in the finals.

The SRC Talent quest is being held in week 11. Auditions start in week 8 and we already have quality acts practicing. I hope to see a few of the very talented students in our class trying out.



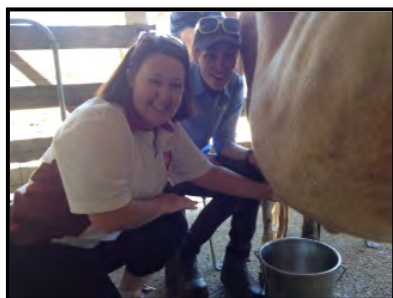
A big thank you to all the families who came to support the P&C movie night at Prestons last Friday night. It was a great time had by all.

## Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm

On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2013 Kindergarten visited Calmsley Hill City Farm. Here the students had the opportunity to get up and close to a variety of farm animals, including milking a cow. Students witnessed a number of shows, including a whip cracking show, a sheep dog show and even saw a sheep getting sheared!

“My favourite part was seeing all of the animals.” Izzabella, KL.

“I like the peacock that was walking around the farm.” Joban, KA.



## Prestons Public School K-2 Choir



### Official Opening of the Kmart Wishing Tree

The Prestons Public School K-6 Choir has been invited to participate in the Kmart Wishing Tree official opening at Casula Mall.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Official ceremony starts at 10:00am**