



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

What a busy week it has been! Aside from all the things that have been going on in the 'outside world' (particularly in the political and sporting arenas), things have been pretty busy here too, as we put the finishing touches on Term 2. Students reports were sent home on Monday and I hope that you found the information within them to be a clear indication of the progress and effort made by your child/children over this past semester. Thank you to all the parent/carers who attended our Parent/Teacher interviews last night. It was great to see so many people taking the opportunity to talk with the class teachers and ensure that we are working together to achieve the best for every child. If you were unable to attend last night and wish to have an interview with your child's teacher, please contact the office and we will organise an interview for you.

TERM 3 – GYMNASTIC PROGRAM - Reminder

As you would have read last week, we are giving our students the opportunity to participate in **an 8 week gymnastics program** next term. The program incorporates a mix of participation and skill development activities that correspond with the stage specific outcomes from the NSW K-6 PDHPE Syllabus, and is taught by **qualified gymnastic instructors**. This program begins in **Week 2 Term 3** and will run every **Monday and Tuesday** for the entire term. The cost for each child is \$3.50 per week - \$28 for the 8 weeks.

Early Bird Special – If you pay BEFORE TOMORROW, FRIDAY 28th June, the price will be discounted to \$20 – that's just \$2.50 per lesson – a saving of \$1 per lesson.

If you would like your child to participate in this fantastic program fill out the permission note on the back page of today's newsletter and pay to the office NO LATER than Friday 19th July (Week 1 Term 3).

Please Note: We would like EVERY child to participate, so if you are experiencing financial difficulties and would like your child to participate in this program, please contact the office BEFORE THE END OF TERM, as there are student assistance funds available. All contact and information is CONFIDENTIAL.

SEE YOU NEXT TERM!

I hope that everyone has an enjoyable and restful break over the next two weeks, after what has been a busy and productive term. I look forward to seeing you all healthy, happy and recharged next Term. **Students will return for Term 3 on TUESDAY 16th July.**

Mark Greentree - Principal

2013 DATES TO REMEMBER

28/6/2013
Gymnastic Early Bird Deal ends

28/6/2013
Last Day of Term 2

16/7/2013
Term 3 Commences

22/7/2013
Gymnastics program commences

29/7/2013 - 2/8/13
Swim Scheme Commences

Sport Highlights

PSSA rounds for Term 2 have now been finalised.

PSSA games will resume in Term 3.

School Information

Assembly Information

K-2 – Every Tuesday commencing at 2.15pm

3-6 – Every 2nd Thursday- Even Weeks commencing at 2.15pm

Upcoming Excursions

Swim Scheme

29th July – 2nd August

Fitschool Term 3 @ 8 Weeks

Lost Property

A pair of girls prescription glasses have been handed in at the office. Please enquire at the office if you think they may be your child's.



LIVERPOOL JUNIOR OZTAG
2013 SUMMER REGISTRATIONS

ERNIE SMITH RESERVE, MOOREBANK played TUESDAY
Registrations being held:
Tuesday 6th & Tuesday 13th August 13 4.30 – 6.00pm
at Moorebank McDonalds

LIVERPOOL CATHOLIC CLUB, played WEDNESDAY
Registrations being held:
Wednesday 7th & Wednesday 14th August 13 4.30 – 6.00pm
at Liverpool Catholic Club, BBQ area near League Fields

Registration \$65 per player
Both teams & individual players are welcome
For further details contact Prue: 0410 649 393
www.greaterwestjunioroztag.com prue@oztag.com

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS



HELP US REACH OUR GOAL!!!

\$1,310 = 41 Families

P&C Used Uniform Shop

The used uniform shop will be open this Friday 28th June from 8.30am.

Swimming Scheme



Don't forget – If your interested in the Swimming Scheme please hand your permission notes and money to the office as soon as possible – There is only 6 positions left.

Drama Performance

On 24th of June, the 4-6 Drama Club performed at the *Play Day* program at Campbelltown Arts Centre. The performance was an audition for the Regional Drama Festival. All students worked extremely hard to prepare for the performance and showed great enthusiasm on the day. The Drama Club and teachers have their fingers crossed hoping they make it into the festival.

Need a boost to your mid-year school budget? The second payment of the Schoolkids Bonus is coming in July. If you are eligible you could receive up to \$205 for each primary student and up to \$410 for each secondary student.

You could receive the Schoolkids Bonus if you have a child in primary or secondary school and receive Family Tax Benefit Part A or you are a primary or secondary student receiving an income support payment.

If you think you are eligible and you haven't already updated your child's education details with Centrelink, then visit Online Services by 29 June 2013 to ensure you receive the correct amount and are paid on time.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaced the Education Tax Refund in January 2013 so eligible families **cannot** claim education expenses in their 2012-13 income tax return.

To ensure you receive the Schoolkids Bonus payment in July, check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus

Learn Music on Keyboard at
Prestons Public School
Enrolment for Term 2

- * Music theory * Instrument playing
- * Fun music games * Competitive rate
- * Convenient at-school venue
- * Instrument not required initially

Smart Kids Love Music!

Call to enrol: **9411 3122** (VIP Music est. 1984)

www.learnmusicatschool.com.au

Telling Stories

Here's a great school holiday idea: have your kids create an entry for this year's Trop Jr film festival and in the process learn a little something about scripting, shooting, editing and copyright law. (Sneaky learning strikes again.)

Find out more:

<http://tropfest.com/tropjr/>

What's in a game?

Among teen and preteen gamers, the names of violent video games travel fast. And before you know anything about these games your child wants to play them. How do you make an informed decision about what to buy?

<http://www.commonsemmedia.org/blog/10-most-violent-video-games-and-10-alternatives>

FREE
Child restraint
safety check

DATE: Friday 26 July 2013
TIME: 10:30 am to 1:30pm
LOCATION: Liverpool City Council
Northern Wing
1 Hoxton Park Rd
Liverpool 2170

Bookings for all restraint checks are essential

You can have your child car restraints, harnesses and booster seats checked for safety and correct fit.

Children's car restraints will be inspected by RMS Authorised Restraint Fitters.

For more information contact the Council's Road Safety Officer on 9821 8838. Bookings can be made from 26 June.





Classroom Chat with

3/4H

What a settled and happy class we are in 3/4H. We have accomplished some of our goals and have learnt so much. I think the year 3 students are just as smart as our year 4 students now!

Participating in Mr Soccer for fitness this term was fantastic. We are now really excited about term 3 with gymnastics coming up and some of us are attending swim school.

I hope your child's report was better than expected and with your continued support the next report will be even better. We have a great bunch of learners in our class who are trying harder with their learning every day. Most students have been well equipped with important resources to make their learning even more successful by having things like their own lead pencils, glue stick, and ruler. If you can, please ask your child whether they need more items such as these over the holidays so that they can come ready to learn in term 3.

A HUGE thank you to Sebastian's mum for bringing in all of the oranges to share with the PSSA rugby team every Friday. What an amazing mum!

Also a HUGE thank you to Evan's mum for coming into our room for hours every day to help our class with their reading and writing. We have really appreciated the time you have spent with us and will miss you now that you are working at your new job.

Have a fantastic break to you all and see you next term!

Mrs Hawker



KS

This term KS have been learning about different cultures during 'News'. We also learnt about Greece and made a display in our class. We had a wonderful time sharing the food brought by Kevin's parents.



Every Monday we have 'Buddies'. The year six children come and help the Kindergarten children with reading. The children enjoy working with their buddies. We also have Mrs Gilbert supporting the children with their reading and writing.



Mrs Singh



Prestons Public School - Ambassador Report

On Tuesday, 18th of June, I went to Belgenny Farm with the other Ambassadors of our Liverpool region. There were primary schools and high schools. When we got to Belgenny Farm we went into the hall and had some morning tea and listened to what they had planned for us for that day. Then, we got put into groups, went outside on a large grassy area and had a little game of human knot. You play human knot by messing up everyone's arms, then, try to get untangled. Then we went back inside and listened to the Regional Ambassador from last year speak to us about what she did and what qualities you need to fulfill the role. As Regional Ambassador she did things such as helping to improve the school and helping her community. After that we had lunch. After lunch we got back into our groups and played a game. It was more like a teamwork challenge. When we had finished the game we went back over to the grass area and built tents. Another, yet fun, teamwork challenge. Then, we did a "nice to meet you session", where you all introduce yourself to other people. We went back to the hall for another educational talk, this one was about cultures and assumptions. We had an afternoon snack, got back onto the buses and made our way back to where we met up, Casula PS. It was a very fun day and I will try my best to help our school become the best place in Prestons! – Kira

Well Done 'Brainiacs'!

Congratulations to Vineet, Simeon, Alana, Kyanna and Liana for their efforts in the 'Brain Buster Challenge' at Casula High School. They worked well as a team and came 4th in the competition.
Well Done 'Brainiacs'!



Multicultural Speech Competition

On Thursday 13th June we had 4 students represent Prestons Public School in the Multicultural Speech Competition. Congratulations to Arushi and Marilyn in Stage 2 and Milos and Kevin in Stage 3.
Great Effort!

Prestons Public School

FITSCHOOL - Gymnastics Program

Term 3 - Week 2 - Week 10

I hereby give my consent to my son/ daughter _____ of class _____ to participate in the FITSCHOOL Gymnastics Program in Term 3 from 22nd July (Week 2) – 17th September (Week 10).

Please note – there will be no lessons in Week 7 due to the Whole School Creative Art performance.

Tick one:

- ☐ Please find enclosed \$ 20. Early Bird special (Ends Friday 28th June – Week 10 Term 2)
- ☐ Please find enclosed \$ 28 (Full price of program)

Signed: _____

Date: _____