



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

WELCOME BACK FOR TERM 3

Welcome back to Term 3. We were fortunate to have such great weather during the holiday break and I hope that everyone enjoyed a wonderful break. It is hard to believe that we are already past the 'halfway mark' for the year, but considering how busy we have been thus far, it is not surprising that the year has gone by so fast! This term we have a number of great things happening, and some of the 'big ticket items' include: the Gymnastics program, EDUCATION WEEK, the Swimming Scheme and the Biennial Whole school production. We are also entering into the next phase of the National Partnership program, with a significant amount of teacher professional development in Numeracy. I'm sure at the end of this term, EVERYONE will be looking forward to a rest!

GYMNASTIC PROGRAM - STARTS NEXT WEEK

Unfortunately, there has been quite a disappointing response to the gymnastics program commencing next week. From my discussion with students, it seems that a lot of people have the **WRONG** idea about what this program is. So let me clear up a few things!

Gymnastics is **NOT just for girls** – (if you don't believe me check out some of the Men's Olympic highlights on youtube!)

Gymnastics is **NOT DANGEROUS** – all of the equipment and the instructors are specially designed and trained to ensure student safety.

The benefits of GYMNASTICS ARE:

1. It's fun
2. Develops strength
3. Develops flexibility
4. Develops coordination
5. Teaches listening skills
6. Develops self-esteem and confidence
7. Provides social interaction with peers
8. Teaches goal setting
9. Develops cognitive abilities to help in the classroom
10. Develops skills to enhance other sports

If you would like your child to share some of these benefits, through participating in this GREAT program, please return the permission note on the back page by **THIS FRIDAY 19th July**.

Mark Greentree - Principal

2013 DATES TO REMEMBER

19/7/2013
PSSA Resumes

22/7/2013
Gymnastics Program Commences

24/7/2013
Stage 3 team competing on 'It's Academic'

29/7/2013 - 2/8/13
Education Week

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

31/7/2013
ICAS - English Exam

Sport Highlights

PSSA rounds for Term 3 will commence this Friday 19th July.

Round 6

Netball – Woodward Park
Girls/Boys Soccer - Ash Road
Rugby League – Childs Park

School Information

Assembly Information

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

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

Upcoming Events

Gymnastics Program

22 July – 8 weeks



Swim Scheme

29th July – 2nd August



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

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GOAL!!!



\$1,310 = 41
Families

PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL

PROUDLY PRESENTS

Disney Through The Ages

Our BIENNIAL PERFORMANCE IS ON AGAIN AND OUR
STUDENTS HAVE BEEN PRACTISING FOR THEIR MOMENT IN
THE SPOTLIGHT ON

WEDNESDAY 28th AUGUST 2013

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOW
AND WHEN YOU CAN PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS.

K-2 Assembly Changes

K-2 assembly will now be on
Wednesdays at 2.20pm due to the
gymnastics program running this
term. This will start on **Wednesday
24th July**.

P&C Used Uniform Shop

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

Book Club

Issue 5 has been distributed. Orders
are due back on Friday 2nd August.

SAD NEWS

It is with great sadness that I inform
you all of the passing of one of our
Year 2 students during the recent
holiday break. Kristina Sundresan
passed away on Tuesday 2nd July,
finally succumbing to her battle with
Leukaemia, which she has bravely
fought since 2011. Our thoughts and
prayers go out to her family at this
time as they deal with this tragic loss.

Mr Greentree

Student Medical Forms

During Terms 3 and 4 we will be
updating our medical records systems
to ensure we have the most
up-to-date information on your
child's health.

If you have a child with a medical
condition you will receive a copy of the
new forms in the mail and will need to
fill them out and return them to us as
soon as you can.

The good news is we have already
started collecting some of this
information, which means less for you
to do.

The new forms will help us collect your
child's important medical information
and the introduction of new systems
will mean we'll be able to better
manage the daily and emergency
health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start
collecting the information, and if you
have any questions please call the
office.

Classroom Chat with

5/6S

We have had a busy start to term 3. So far, we have celebrated NAIDOC Week and have learnt some new things whilst being busy preparing for our Creative Arts performance.

For NAIDOC, we learnt how Aboriginal artworks tell stories about the land, animals and rituals. After learning about this and listening to dreamtime stories, we created Aboriginal inspired artworks using symbols to tell stories, which impressed our teacher.

As you may know the whole school creative arts performance is coming up in week 7. Our class will be performing 'Oliver' with 5/6N. We are all very excited and have been busy preparing for the big performance day.

Here are some new things we have learnt and would like to share with you all:

Kush: "The earth is the 3rd closest to the sun".

Izzet: "Gold is very heavy and expensive"

Kava: "Pluto isn't a planet anymore".

Hamish: "Edward Hardgrave's discovered gold".

Zac: "Western Australia has a lot of mining because there is lots of gold".

Andrew: "People were angry at Edward Hardgrave because they went mining thinking they were going to find gold and didn't find anything".

John: "People from other countries travelled to Australia to find gold".

K/1V

K/1V have returned to school, after the school holidays, with huge smiles and showing great enthusiasm towards learning. The students are refreshed and reenergised and are ready for another successful term.

Here are student comments about learning...

"I love playing with my friends in PALS"- Arshia

"I love playing football and reading books"- Jasmine

"I like writing"- Chelsea

"I like to read"- Sabir

"I like to writing" John

"I like playing on the grass and writing"- Muhammad

"I like playing with my friends and learning"-

Zakariyah

"I like listening to my teacher read"- Malaika

"I like making words" – Matthew

"I am good at reading"- Noah

"I love putting words together and writing"- Malachi

"I am good at reading"- TJ

"I am good at writing and reading and ordering number"- Jessica

"I like everything about learning and playing fruit salad"- Rewana

"I like learning games"- Tara

"I am good at learning" –Rianon

"I am good at writing and I like playing with my friends on the oval"- Ilesha

"I like doing writing and playing fruit salad on the oval"- Maria

"I am good at numbers" –Julian



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PENRITH REGIONAL GALLERY & THE LEWERS BEQUEST

TERM THREE @ THE GALLERY**AFTER SCHOOL WORKSHOPS: ARTBOX**

Students will work both in the exhibitions, being inspired by original artworks, and in the studio with an exciting variety of art materials. Students will be introduced to a variety of techniques and styles, learn new skills and extend and consolidate existing skills. Workshops will include drawing, collage, clay work and painting.

Starts Wednesday 24 July, 4 – 5:30pm, 5 – 9 year olds, \$130 per student 8 week program

AFTER SCHOOL WORKSHOPS: CLAY CAPERS

Students will learn how to build objects from clay, starting with the designing stage and going on to complete projects using a variety of hand building, joining and decorating techniques. This term you will create the characters of our imagination in clay with a drawn or painted backdrop.

Starts Wednesday 24 July, 4 – 5:30pm, 10 – 14 year olds, \$140 per student 8 week program

ART ATTACK SATURDAYS: JOEYS

Students will work on a series of 'crafty' projects whilst learning about art and experimenting with different mediums including paint, charcoal, card, soft wire and simple print making.

Starts Saturday 27 July, 10 am – noon, 5 – 8 year olds, \$130 per student 8 week program

ART ATTACK SATURDAYS: KANGAS

Workshops will include painting 'plein air' (outdoors in the fresh air) like the impressionists, working with a variety of painting mediums, sculpture and both expressive and observational drawing in a variety of mediums.

Starts Saturday 27 July, 10 am – noon, 9 – 12 year olds, \$130 per student 8 week program

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL – PLEASE CALL RECEPTION 4735 1100

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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.

o Please find enclosed \$ 28

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Student assistance is available. Please contact the front office as soon as possible if you require financial support.