



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

We're looking better every day!!

If you have recently visited the front office, you would have noticed that the office has received a further 'facelift' with the addition of some lovely plants and WONDERFUL student artwork! These latest improvements are part of our ongoing program to improve the facilities at Prestons Public School and develop a school environment that everyone can be proud of. A major improvement that will be occurring over the next few months, will be the replacement of the school fence along Box and Kurrajong roads. Improvements to gardens, classrooms and school grounds are also on the agenda – so stay tuned!

SCHOOL UNIFORMS - SCHOOL HATS

Unfortunately over the last few months, there has been a decline in the number of students wearing our school uniform. When I first arrived at Prestons PS, I was amazed at how many students were wearing the school uniform and how great the school looked because of this fact. One aspect that seems to have declined quite significantly is the wearing of school hats. A large number of students are electing to wear their 'flat hats' to school rather than choosing to wear a school hat. The problem that arises here, is that these types of hats DO NOT provide the sun protection that students need. I have spoken to the senior students recently about the importance of wearing a school hat, and I have challenged them to lead the younger students by consistently wearing the appropriate uniform. I hope that families of PPS can assist with this issue by encouraging our students to wear the appropriate uniform. If you require financial assistance to purchase uniform items, please contact the office.

Mark Greentree
Principal

2013 DATES TO REMEMBER

13/8/2013
ICAS - Math Competition

13/8/2013
P&C Meeting 6pm

14/8/2013
Stage 2 Spelling Bee
Final 11.40am in Hall

16/8/2013
Stage 3 Spelling Bee
Final 9am in Hall

22/8/2013
Zone Athletics Carnival

26/8/2013 Performance
tickets distributed

28/8/2013
Disney performances
9.15am & 12.15pm

Sport Highlights

PSSA Sport Venues for Friday 9th August

Netball
Woodward Park, Liverpool

Girls/Boys Soccer
Phillips Park, Lurnea

Rugby League
Hammondville Oval

**All outstanding winter
PSSA sport fees are now
due.**

School Information

Assembly Information

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

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

P&C Used Uniform Shop

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



Kindergarten 2014

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2014.

Children who are already 5 years of age or will be turning 5 by the 31st July 2014 are eligible to enroll for Kindergarten 2014. Enrolment forms can be collected from the administration office.

Swimming Scheme

Last week we had 50 keen swimmers participate in the Swimming Scheme at the Whitlam Centre, Liverpool. All students made big improvements in their own swimming ability and had fun learning new skills and safety techniques. Mrs Hawker, Miss Hansen and Mrs Seeney were pleased with the enthusiasm and manners the students showed. We had a fun week!



Premier's Reading Challenge

3 weeks until the end of the 2013 Premiers Reading Challenge! The Premier's Reading Challenge finishes on the 23rd of August, 2013. Well done to the 220 students who have already completed the challenge. We have a number of students who are very close to completing their challenge so to those students I say "Keep reading!"



The instructions for recording the books on the website are as follows:

1. Log on to the internet, any browser will do.
2. In Google type DET Portal. Go to 'my portal login page'.
3. Type in user name. *Usually first name – full stop – last name. Eg john.smith.* Some students may have a number at the end but the students generally know if they do.
4. Type in password
5. Go to Premier's Reading Challenge.
6. Students can record the books they have read.

Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Patton are available to help any student who is having problems adding their books online.

Disney Through The Ages

Ticket order notes have been distributed to students.



Tickets are **\$5 each** and will be on sale for two sessions only, a morning session, commencing at 9.15am, and a Midday session, commencing at 12.15pm.

Tickets are **limited to 4 tickets per family**.

Please return the ticket order form with your payment to the office no later than Friday 23rd August. Tickets will be distributed to families on Monday the 26th August.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS

KA	- Lauren & Nita
KL	- Oscar & Layla
KS	- Despina & Alem
K/1V	- Talosaga & Kody
1K	- Cruze & Shontaye
1MB	- Griffen & Pera
1S	- Teacher Absent
2B	- Zoe & Suhail
2N	- Chace & Aaron
2S	- Connor & Shushant
3SH	- Teacher Absent
3R	- Sarah & Siddharth
3/4H	- Jonathon & Izabella
4E	- Hannah & Isabella
4RM	- Matthew & Micaela
4/5B	- Travis & Retty
5/6J	- Jessica & Dylan
5/6N	- Aiden & Liana
5/6S	- Ayeesha & Monaf
5/6T	- Moira & Rena

2014 Enrolments

Please complete the table below and return it to the Front office **by Friday 9th August (Week 4)**.

Student Name	2014 Grade

Classroom Chat with

KL

In KL, we have had a very busy start to Term 3. The children enjoyed Teddy Bear's Picnic and learning about science in the open day last week. During the science open classroom, KL learnt about our 5 senses, how to blow up a balloon using vinegar and bi carb soda with Miss Janabi and how to make frost with Mrs Singh.

In literacy we are learning about the different parts of a procedure, as well as learning new sounds and sight words. KL are doing a wonderful job of using their understanding of sounds to help with their reading and writing.

KL have been participating in the Fitschool program on Tuesdays. Here, we have been having a lot of fun in the different activities and learning many new coordination skills.

KL have also been very busy with K/1V practicing our dance performance for the Disney Through the Ages Creative Arts showcase. All of the children have shown great enthusiasm and I am very much looking forward to the performance. Keep up the wonderful work KL!

Miss Tomarchio



3R

We are all very excited and have been busy preparing for the big creative arts performance day. Our class will be recreating a scene from the movie 'Beauty and the Beast' with 4E. We look forward to performing for parents and friends in Week 7.

From the desks of 3R.....

Acrostic Poems

Lightening

In the cloudy sky

Gliding through the yellow stars

Happily through

The quiet town.

Arishma

Now it's dark

It is cold

Glittering stars

High in the sky

The moon is bright.

Jaymyn

Fight the knight

In the night with a

Gargoyle

He will

Try to run away.

Nihara

The Dairy (An Information Report by Anthony)

There is a machine that sticks to the dairy cow's teats and sucks.

There is a pipe that leads the milk to a refrigerator tank where the milk cools down.

It is transported to a factory in stainless steel trucks to keep it cold.

The milk is then tested in tanks so the milk has freshness, quality and the right amount of protein.

There is a machine that heats it up and cools it down and then it is checked for germs. This is called pasteurisation.



3R's Aboriginal inspired artworks using symbols to tell stories- NAIDOC Week 2013.



School Zone Penalties Effective 1 July 2013

* The values are doubled during designated holiday/long weekend periods.

Offence	Minimum Fine	Minimum Demerit Points
Stop on or near: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A pedestrian crossing A children's crossing Any marked foot crossing 	\$405 \$405 \$405	2 2 2
Double park	\$304	2
Park on a footpath or stop across a	\$169	2
Make an illegal U-turn	\$304	3
Exceed 40km/h in a school zone in a light vehicle: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 km/h and under Over 10 km/h Over 20 km/h Over 30 km/h Over 45 km/hr 	\$177 \$319 \$531 \$1,028 \$2,341	2 4 5 6 7
Use a mobile phone while driving	\$405	4
Fail to give way to a pedestrian	\$506	4
Reverse unsafely	\$236	3
Park within 3 metres of double barrier	\$236	0



metres of your vehicle.

The minimum penalty for disobeying 'No Parking' is \$169 and 2 demerit points. You may only stop here for 2 minutes and stay within 3



The minimum penalty for parking in a 'Bus Zone' is \$304 and 2 demerit points.

You can not stop here at all.



The minimum penalty for disobeying 'No Stopping' is \$304 and 2 demerit points. You can not stop here at all. **Parking on nature strips is also illegal.**

South West Futsal Junior Competition

For Boys & Girls Aged 7-12

- ✓ Safe organized competitions with first aid qualified staff
- ✓ Ideal fun during 7 month break from outdoor soccer
- ✓ Opportunity for skill improvement
- ✓ Chance to play with club teammates
- ✓ Increased touches on the ball to benefit kids
- ✓ Competitions based on age group for fair play
- ✓ Affordable registration rates with insurance included

Starts Late August

Call (02) 9600 9333 or email whitlambookings@belgravialeisure.com.au to register your team. Visit www.whitlamleisurecentre.com.au for more information.

When does the comp start and which nights are the matches?
Late August. Games are on Wednesday and/or Thursday from 5pm to 8pm for 12 to 16 weeks depending on the number of teams.

How much does it cost?
Registration cost \$30 per player (insurance covered) and \$45 per week/per team. There is a bond of 2 match payments to cover forfeits.

How long are the matches?
2 x 12 minute halves.

Do jerseys need to be worn?
Yes. Jersey's are required with numbers on back, except for goalkeeper.

What happens if we can't make a match?
Contact us with at least 24 hours. One match payment will be deducted from the team bond.

What are the prizes for winning?
Trophies for winners and runners up.

When do teams need to be registered by?
August, 2013



FREE CHILDS RESTRAINT SAFETY CHECK

DATE: Friday 6th September 2013

TIME: 10.30am to 1.30pm

LOCATION: Liverpool City Council



Northern Wing, 1 Hoxton Park Rd, Liverpool 2170

Childrens car restraints will be inspected by RMS Authorised Restraint Fitters.

For more information contact the Council's Road Safety Officer on 9821 8835 or 9821 8838. Bookings can be made from 6th August.