



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

GET READY TO BE ENTERTAINED!!

Prestons Public School has really ramped up the activity levels over the last few weeks, as our Whole School Production – “Disney Through the Ages” draws closer. With less than 1 week to go before it's ‘Premiere’, the staff and students have been busy refining their performances, touching up their costumes, and finishing off their props. It is certainly shaping up to be a show to remember!

At Prestons PS we are always focused on ensuring that we provide an outstanding service to all our students and their families, in every facet of our operation. **As a result, we are currently planning to film the performance, so that parents and carers who are unable to attend, are able to share in the experience.** Details regarding copies of this production will be provided once the editing process is complete. Following numerous requests from families for this to occur, I'm sure that this is good news to all! For all the parents and carers who ARE able to attend – I look forward to seeing you all next Wednesday!

FEDERAL ELECTION – 7th September

As you are aware, the Federal elections will be held on Saturday, 7th September (Week 8). Prestons Public School will be a polling place on this day. To make full use of this wonderful opportunity to raise money from the broader community, the school will be hosting a sausage sizzle. **Events such as these provide valuable funds for our school and students that would normally come from the parents in our community.** The Year 6 students and their teachers will be using this as a fundraising activity. If you are a parent or carer of a Year 6 student, and are able to assist on the day, please contact the school. More information relating to this sausage sizzle will be sent home in the coming weeks. I hope everyone can stop by on the day and support us by buying a sausage!!

Mark Greentree
Principal

2013 DATES TO REMEMBER

22/8/2013
Zone Athletics Carnival

26/8/2013 Performance
tickets distributed

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

29/8/2013
P&C Father's Day Stall

7/9/2013
Election Sausage Sizzle

20/9/2013
Last Day Term 3

8/10/2013
First Day Term 4

Sport Highlights

PSSA Sport Venues for Friday 23rd August

Netball
Woodward Park, Liverpool

Girls/Boys Soccer
South Park, Chipping Norton

Rugby League
Woodward Park, Liverpool

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

School Information

Assembly Information

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

There will be no K-2 assembly Week 7, 28th August due to Disney performance.

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

Book Club

Issue 6 order forms have been distributed to students. Orders are due back to the office no later than Friday 30th August.



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.



Special Group Photos

Students who ordered special group photos, School Captains, SRC, Library Monitors, PALS Leaders and Sport Captains may collect these from the office.

Head Lice Alert

As will often occur in schools, a few cases of head lice have been reported recently. To prevent this from becoming a larger issue, we ask that you check your child's/children's hair for lice and/or eggs and treat accordingly with an appropriate lice treatment. If you do happen to find evidence of head lice, it is also advised to wash your child's bed linen and hats to prevent further reoccurrence.

More information can be found on the NSW Health website:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/environment/headlice/treatment.asp>

Disney Through The Ages



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. Orders need to be returned no later than Friday 23rd August.

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

Tickets will be distributed to families on Monday the 26th August.

Premier's Reading Challenge

2013 Premiers Reading Challenge finishes this Friday!!!!

The Premier's Reading Challenge will finish on the 23rd of August, 2013. Please make sure all books are recorded on the PRC website before 11:59pm on Friday. If you would like help recording books on the PRC website please see Mrs Patton this Friday before 3pm Wednesday.

Well done to the 286 students who have already completed the challenge. We still 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 general know if they do.*
4. *Type in password*
5. *Go to Premier's Reading Challenge.*
6. Students can record the books they read.

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

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS

- KA** - Mitchell & Moustapha
- KL** - Caleb & Izzabella
- KS** - Joel & Kevin
- K/1V** - Julian & Youshaman
- 1K** - Omar & Takoda
- 1MB** - Christina & Elijah
- 1S** - Dania & Chanelle
- 2B** - Alex & Zoey
- 2N** - Aaron & Vaneel
- 2S** - Ahmed & Benjamin
- 3SH** - Christina & Charlie
- 3R** - Ryan & Fatima
- 3/4H** - Nicole & Neetu
- 4E** - Gemma & Rahul
- 4RM** - Teacher Absent
- 4/5B** - Olivia & Zagros
- 5/6J** - Hasan & Mohammed
- 5/6N** - Rohan & Emma
- 5/6S** - Lakota & Kira
- 5/6T** - Vivek & Shivneel

Benefits Of Under-Scheduling Your Child

With the very best of intentions, when you're rushing to fit in soccer training, swimming and music lessons, it can be hard to keep hold of the magic stare-into-space, muck-about moments in children's lives.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/benefits-of-underscheduling-your-child>

Reading To Your Child In Your Home Language

Parents who have a language background other than English and who read to their children in their native tongue are giving them a valuable gift.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework/k-and-study/english/english-tips/how-shopping-can-help-your-child-to-read/reading-to-your-child-in-your-home-language>

Classroom Chat with

1MB

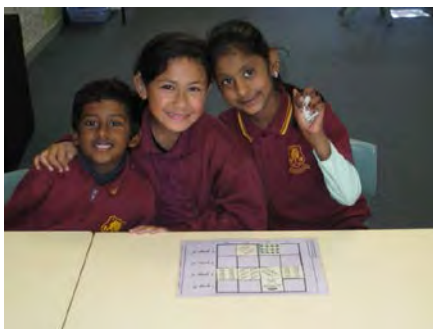
In 1MB we are becoming mathematicians!

With TEN each morning plus our regular maths lesson later in the day - numbers are definitely becoming our thing!

In weeks 5 and 6, 1MB has been focused on multiplication and division strategies. One of the best ways we can practice these strategies is through games.



The Platypus group playing the echidna game.



The Fairy Penguin group matching groups.

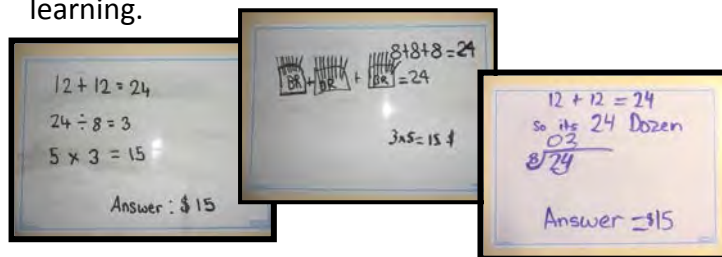


The Crocodiles making equal groups.

4RM

Wow, can't believe that half the term is over already. 4RM have been so busy preparing our 'Toy Story' item for the creative arts performance day. We hope all our wonderful parents and friends will be there next week to share and enjoy all our hard work.

In mathematics, we have been developing our problem solving skills. Students have enjoyed using and demonstrating a variety of mental strategies to solve word problems. The sharing of these strategies has proven to be an invaluable part of 4RM's learning.



In literacy, we have been reading and writing a variety of texts that link in with our HSIE and science units related to food. The students enjoyed using their knowledge of grammar to create cinquain poems about their favourite foods.

Tomatoes
fresh juicy
biting staring squeezing
Great for scrumptious salads.
lunch

Micaela

Icecream
smooth tasty
melting scooping eating
Scrumptious light yummy food.
dairy

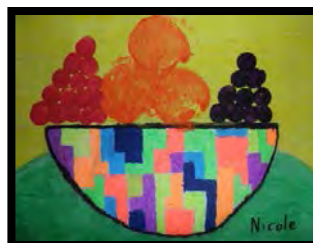
Laney

Eggs
tasty runny
cooking spreading chewing
Soft mixed scrambled eggs.
farm

Hussain

Strawberries
delicious tasty
chewing pureeing slicing
Bright red colourful fruit
tart

Maithri



PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL

PROUDLY PRESENTS

DISNEY THROUGH THE AGES

ONLY ONE WEEK TO GO. DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO SEE
THE PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR!

WEDNESDAY 28TH AUGUST 2013

TICKETS ARE ONLY \$5 PER PERSON.

2 SESSIONS AVAILABLE –

9:15-11:30 AND 12:15-2:30

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Milo Cup

On Thursday the 15th of August Senior Boys and Girls Cricket teams went to Hammondville to participate in the annual Milo Cup. During the day we played 3 matches each, the boys winning 2 of their matches and the girls having a great victory too. In the end the boys placed 5th out of 9 and the girls 4th out of 7.

I was very impressed with the great sportsmanship and team support both teams gave each other and their team mates. I was also very impressed with the great catching ability of Samantha and Hamish who represented their teams in the High Ball catching comp!

Looking forward to PSSA Cricket returning in Term 4! Miss Hansen

