



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

GRAND FINAL WINNERS!

Congratulations to the Senior Boys and Girls Soccer teams, who capped off a successful soccer season last week, by winning their Grand Finals. Both teams played exceptionally well, with a number of students putting in some fantastic individual performances. The coaches, Miss Jordan and Mr Meoni, put in a lot of effort over the season, training the students and leading them to be the successful teams that they are. Congratulations and thanks to both teachers for the time and commitment shown to our students and their subsequent sporting achievements. A big thank you to the many parents, carers and family members who came along on the day to show their support. It was great to see so many people come out, for what turned out to be a fantastic afternoon!

LAaFF 2013

On Tuesday night, our choir and dance groups 'stepped into the spotlight' to showcase their talents as part of the Liverpool Arts and Film Festival (LAaFF). Our students did a wonderful job on the night, representing our school proudly, and I'm sure they all enjoyed the experience. Congratulations to all the students on such a fine effort! Congratulations also to the teachers who coordinated the groups and prepared the students for their respective performances: Mrs Narayan & Mrs Bayley-Patton (Choir), Miss Brown and Mrs Muller (Junior Dance Group) and Miss Vrckoski (Senior Dance Group). A special thank you also to Mrs Raiti and Mrs Beavis who attended on the night to assist with behind the scenes jobs. It's great to have such wonderful staff who go 'above and beyond' to support our students.

Something unusual happened at PPS...

As you may or may not be aware of now, yesterday afternoon we had an interesting visitor at our school. A brown snake decided to make an appearance – just to keep things interesting! At no time were students in danger from its presence, and precautions were taken to ensure that the students, staff and community were kept safe. Students have been advised on what action to take, should another snake decide to 'make an appearance'. I should take this opportunity to clear up a few details about the incident: 1. The snake was only a baby and was more interested in finding somewhere safe to hide. 2. Mr Greentree did not catch the snake – he simply scared it away. 3. (And I get this on good authority) Mr Greentree did not get bitten – and did not die!! (I'm pretty sure about that one!)

Mark Greentree - Principal

2013 DATES TO REMEMBER

17/9/2013
P&C Meeting 6pm

18/9/2013
Regional Spelling Bee

20/9/2013
Last Day Term 3

8/10/2013
First Day Term 4

8-9/10/2013
Stage 3 Camp

14/10/2013
Kindy Transition
Program Commences

Sport Highlights

**Congratulations to
both our Boys & Girls
Snr Soccer teams on
winning their Grand
Finals**

**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 during week 10 due to the Regional Spelling Bee

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



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.

P&C Used Uniform Shop

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

Update Of Contact Information



At times the school may need to contact you regarding your child. It is important that you notify the school of any changes to your contact details. This includes address, telephone numbers and contact details for those you have nominated as emergency contacts.

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.

Uniform Sales

Uniform items are available for purchase from the administration office Monday to Friday, 8.30am till 3.15pm.

SRC Fruit and Vegetable Week



Next week the SRC is running different activities during recess breaks to coincide with Fruit and Vegetable Month. Listen out at Monday morning assembly for more information.

Lost Property

Lost property is currently overflowing. If items are not claimed by the end of this term the clothing will be donated to the used uniform shop or a charity. To ensure that your child's items are returned if lost please make sure their name is clearly marked on the uniform.

Stage 3 Camp

The Stage 3 Great Aussie Bush Camp is fast approaching. The camp is the first day back to school in Term 4 (Tuesday 8th October).

Students attending this excursion will be provided with further information regarding departure and arrival times next week.

Getting Ready For School Camp

School camp is one of the highlights of childhood, however, it's also true that for some children (and their parents) the thought of staying away overnight can create a little anxiety. Read these tips for school camp confidence.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/getting-ready-for-camp>

Camp Giveaway

As part of Sport and Recreation's outdoor education week you have the chance to win an adventure-packed family weekend away at a camp. Click on the link, watch the video and answer two easy questions to enter the competition. Good luck.

Find out more:

<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/win/index.asp>

Creative Thinking

Eleven-year-olds of the world rejoice. It seems MINECRAFT has "the potential to teach kids creative thinking, geometry, and even a little geology". Read the review to help you make an informed choice.

Find out more:

<http://www.commonssensemedia.org/game-reviews/minecraft>

LAaFF 2013

On Tuesday night 33 talented students represented Prestons at the annual Liverpool Arts and Film Festival. We had three performances on the night including the 2-6 Choir run by Mrs Narayan and Mrs Patton, the 5-6 Dance Group coordinated by Miss Vrckoski and the 2-3 Dance Group run by Mrs Muller and Miss Brown.



The students' parents and friends were there supporting on the night and were impressed with how well the students performed.

Congratulations to all of the performers who showed that hard work and dedication pays off.



Classroom Chat with

1K

This term has been so busy! First there was the production where we danced to Tarzan's Strangers Like Me. Thanks Loma K for making most of our costumes! Check out the cool facepaint – Mrs Storkey and Mrs Boss helped our teachers.



Then back to work – secret Father's Day work to do....



We also got to work with the lovely Miss Z on the TEN Maths project to help us get better at counting and adding! Thanks Miss Z!



4E

4E has had a busy term organising a CAPA performance and many of our students have taken part in school events including gymnastics and Swim Scheme. We have focused on writing informative texts that link to our HSIE unit 'Who Will Buy? Students have also written cinquain poems in class and here are a few:

Potato Pie by Maria

Cooked meat

scrumptious and round

mashed potatoes with hot

mouth-watering and delicious

filling

Sherbit by Maggie

Sherbit

Tasty and sweet

It is so delicious

I find it so soft and fizzy

So yum!



We have enjoyed sketching lessons as part of 'Clubs' every Friday afternoon and all students have made terrific progress over the term. We have done self-portraits and have even tried to sketch buildings around our school.

School Banking Update: Redeem your tokens for a money box this year!

In 2014 the School Banking program will be launching a new set of exciting reward items for students to redeem their tokens for.

Each reward item will continue to be valued at 10 tokens (i.e. 10 deposits) there will be two new reward items for students to choose from each term.



With exciting new reward items on offer in 2014, please be aware that the Dollarmites money boxes will no longer be available next year. To avoid any child missing out on claiming their money box, please let your children know of this change and encourage them to redeem their money box this school year.

In an effort to ensure your child doesn't miss out, the rule of one money box per year has been removed. If your child is trying to collect the series of Dollarmite money boxes, they are encouraged to do so before the end of the school year. Please understand that they still need to redeem each money box for the required 10 tokens.

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Private Lessons All Ages

Beginners to Advanced welcome

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