



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – THANK YOU TO ALL INVOLVED

A HUGE thank you to all the staff and parents involved in the successful running of last weeks Athletic Carnival. Congratulations to Miss Brown and her team on a well organised carnival and to the staff who supervised and assisted on the day. A BIG thank you to Mrs Bates and all the FANTASTIC helpers on the P&C who cooked the BBQ, served our students and community delicious snacks and tidied everything away at the end of the day. A BIG thank you to Mr Munns, who took it upon himself to clean up the rubbish at Peter Wheeler Reserve after the students left to ensure that Prestons Public School left the field in a clean and tidy state. As a whole school team – we work WONDERFULLY together!

STUDENT REPORTS & PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Student reports for Semester 1 have been sent home today. Accompanying the reports will be a note regarding Parent/Teacher Interviews for 2014. Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on Wednesday 23rd July (Term 3 Week 2), commencing at 3:10pm. (Please note – the date printed in last weeks newsletter was incorrect). If you would like to organise an interview, please complete the note and return it to school ASAP. If you are unable to attend an interview on this occasion, interviews can be organised at another mutually convenient time by contacting the School Office on 9602 7435.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2015

Enrolments are now being accepted for students who will be starting Kindergarten in 2015. If you have a child who is ready to commence school in 2015, or know someone who does, please contact the school ASAP to commence the enrolment process. We have a lot of exciting programs commencing next term to support preschoolers in their transition into 'Big School', and by enrolling early you will ensure that your child does not miss out. (Students who have participated in transition programs in previous years have experienced greater success at settling into school routines than students who have not.)

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 for Term 3. **Students will return for Term 3 on TUESDAY 15th July.**

Mark Greentree - Principal

2014 DATES TO REMEMBER

27/6/2014

Last Day Term 2

14/7/2014

Staff Development Day
(Pupil free day)

15/7/2014

Students return Term 3

18/7/2014

Winter PSSA continues

23/7/2014

Parent Teacher Interviews

28/7/2014 – 1/8/2014

Swim Scheme (Week 3)

Sport Highlights

**PSSA Winter Sport
will resume
Term 3, Week 1
Friday 18th July**

Venues

Netball – Woodward Park,
Liverpool

Girls Soccer – Amalfi Park,
Lurnea

Boys Soccer – Ash Road,
Prestons

Rugby League – Woodward
Park, Liverpool

**Students depart school at
12 noon with games scheduled
to commence at approximately
12.30pm**

School Information

Assembly Information

K-2 – Every Wednesday commencing at 2.15pm

| Date | Host Class |
|-----------------------|------------|
| 16 th July | K/1RB |
| 23 rd July | KL |

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

| Date | Host Class |
|-------------------------|------------|
| 7 th August | 4S |
| 21 st August | 3/4S |



Kindergarten 2015

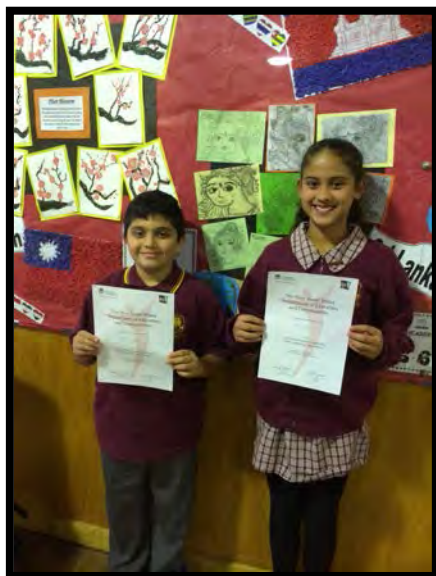
We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2015.

Children who turn 5 by the 31st July 2015 are eligible to enroll for Kindergarten 2015.

Enrolment forms can be collected from the administration office.

Congratulations to Ella and Izmayal

for competing in the Regional Multicultural Public Speaking Competition on Monday 23rd June at Greenway Park PS.
Congratulations to both students for achieving at this level.



Writing Competition

Thank you to all of those students who entered the 2014 Write4fun Writing Competition with their creative short stories and poems. Unfortunately we didn't have any prize winners this year. If you would like to see a list of prize winners or read some of the prize winning pieces please visit www.write4fun.net.



Flu Season Is Here!

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit's [vaccination page](#). Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

Toddler Storytime



'Children need to hear a thousand stories before they can begin to learn to read.' Mem Fox.

A toddler storytime will be starting in Week 1 of Term 3. Any parents and carers who are interested should bring their toddler along to the school library at 2:20 on Tuesday afternoon. Throughout the afternoon they will be involved in reading, drama and art activities. Parents and carers must attend with, assist and be responsible for their toddler at all times.

Keep Brains Ticking Over These Holidays

If your child is working on a personal project or a school assignment these school holidays (or you want to make use of the break for a little revision), don't forget www.SchoolAtoZ.com.au has lots of information and fact sheets to help with homework.

For students polishing their spelling skills, the free Spelling Bee mobile app also allows them to record a list of their own words and then test themselves. You might even want to challenge them with a list you create. Here's where you'll find the free app to download:

<http://bit.ly/Q9ez0G>

FREE & fun program for fitter, healthier, happier kids!

Go4Fun

NSW Health
Population Health

Know if your child is over a healthy weight?

Go to www.go4fun.com.au to see if your child could do Go4Fun.

Go4Fun is a FREE 10 week program which runs over one school term after school hours. During the program children and their families get involved in fun games and activities and learn about delicious nutritious foods they can eat every day.

Children need to be 7-13 years old and a parent or carer also needs to attend. Younger and/or older siblings are encouraged to attend. Go to www.go4fun.com.au or call 1800 780 900 to see if your child could do Go4Fun.

Classroom Chat with

4C

Literacy in 4C

4C have been learning all about language devices. They have created some fantastic comic strips using onomatopoeia. They have also written a few character descriptions which have included similes, metaphors and adjectives.

Numeracy in 4C

4C have been learning how to tell the time and have designed and made their very own clock! Students have also been learning about the properties of 3D shapes. They have produced their own 3D shapes using play doh, paper nets and tooth picks.

4C have worked collaboratively to create a 21st century classroom. This activity developed their ability to problem solve, communicate effectively, collaborate and think creatively.



2M

2M are excited to let everyone know what we've been learning in term 2!

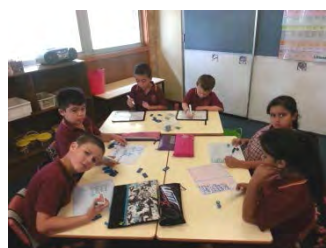
In class, we have been focusing on writing interesting narratives and persuasive expositions.

"In 2M we learnt about expositions, they convince people to do/think something." Rohmanah



2M have been working hard in mathematics, using lots of helpful resources. We are getting good at telling the time on analogue and digital clocks.

"...we enjoyed learning about time and had fun using clocks." Charlotte



During TEN groups we are working hard to refine our mental calculation strategies.



As part of our workers in the community unit, the fire brigade and paramedics came and showed Stage 1 how they assist people in need.

Remember: STOP, DROP, COVER, ROLL!

School Disco Photos



The Best Coaches
UNDER 12 CLINICS 2014

Hockey NSW is back on the road with our 2014 **Stick 2 Hockey** U12 Development Clinics. All sessions will be run by a current NSW State Coach and Regional Coaching Co-ordinator.

In 2013 more than 1,100 U12 players participated in the clinics and this year, we're visiting even more Associations and hoping to meet even more young players.

The clinics are open to players of all levels born between 2002 and 2004. We'll provide you a hockey stick if you're just starting out or for more experienced players, we'll make sure we put you through your paces and leave with the tools to take your game to the next level.

COST: \$53 per player (includes 4% transaction fee)

Every participant leaves with a Hockey NSW Player Pack which includes a **drink bottle** and **bag**.

HOW TO REGISTER: www.hockeynsw.com.au



CONTACT: Grae Rens gamedevelopment@hockeynsw.com.au **or** (02) 9764 1911 www.hockeynsw.com.au

NRL Holiday Clinic

DATE- Thursday 10 July
LOCATION- Campbelltown Stadium
TIME- 10am-1pm
COST- \$35 NRL sports bag, football, drink bottle, kicking tee & lunch.
Age- 5-12

HOW TO REGISTER?

STEP 1: go to Playnrl.com
STEP 2: Hover over 'GET INVOLVED' and click 'PLAY'
STEP 3: Click on 'FIND A HOLIDAY CLINIC'
STEP 4: Scroll down to 'WESTS TIGERS CLINIC, CAMPBELLTOWN' and click on 'LINK'

Any questions, contact Tim Auremi 0417 415 508

Playnrl.com