



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

THANK YOU EVERYONE

Thank you to all the families who generously supported our P&C raffle, by donating eggs for our Annual Easter Raffle. A MASSIVE thank you to the parents (and little brothers and sisters) who generously gave up their time this morning to package all the eggs into prize hampers. As a result of our wonderful community, we have approximately **80 prizes to be won** in this years Easter raffle, so if you haven't bought a ticket yet – you might want to hurry up!! The Easter raffle will be drawn next Thursday 2nd April at the school's Annual Easter Hat Parade.

PARKING & TRAFFIC IN BOX RD = NIGHTMARE!!!

On Tuesday afternoon, I was coming back to the school after attending a meeting and I was faced with the NIGHTMARE of Box Road in the afternoon. It seems that road rules are being ignored, road courtesy is forgotten, and practices to ensure the safety of children is completely disregarded. While trying to drive back into the school, I nearly had a head on collision with a car that was on THE WRONG SIDE OF THE ROAD (luckily I was only travelling at about 10km/h at the time), I had to stop suddenly to allow a parent as she was walking across the road in front of me whilst dragging her children behind, then had to wait to drive into the school while parents stopped across the driveway to pick up their kids!

As adults, parents and drivers, we need to take more responsibility here. It's time that all of our parents and carers who use Box Road, take responsibility for the safety and security of our students. I know that as adults we sometimes get caught up with the idea that we are in a hurry to get somewhere - but what is more important - being a little late or being responsible for seriously injuring a child?

I am SERIOUS about child safety, I will be encouraging the council and Police to attend our school site in the afternoons, to ensure that road rules are enforced. If you are not currently following the rules, you may need to change your habits or risk a fine.

CARPARK = NO GO ZONE.

As I tried to enter the car park on Tuesday, I also had to make way for a parent to drive out! Please be aware, that the staff car park **IS NOT FOR PARENT OR STUDENT USE**. Due to the fact that we often have delivery vehicles entering and exiting, it is NOT a safe environment for dropping off or picking up students. **The car park is for staff and authorized personnel ONLY. Walking through the car park is not permitted under any circumstance.** Please assist us to maintain the safety of ALL our students, by NOT using the staff car park.

Mark Greentree - Principal

2015 DATES TO REMEMBER

28/3/2015
State Election - Fundraising BBQ

30/3/2015
Toon School - Stage 3

2/4/2015
Easter Parade 12.00pm
P&C Easter Raffle Drawn
Last day of Term 1

20/4/2015
Staff Development Day

21/4/2015 - Tuesday
Students return - Term 2

24/4/2015
Anzac Day Ceremony

1/5/2015
School Cross Country

PSSA Summer Sport

Friday
27th March

Oz-Tag - Woodward Park, Liverpool

Cricket - Hammondville Oval, Moorebank

This will be the last round of Summer PSSA for Term 1.
This competition will recommence in Term 4.

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
1 st April	2/3J
22 nd April (Term 2)	Captains
29 th April	2W

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

Date	Host Class
2 nd April	No Assembly
30 th April (Term 2)	Captains
14 th May	5/6M

State Election Fundraising BBQ

The State Elections will be held this **Saturday, 28th March.**

Prestons Public School will be a polling place on this day. Our school will be using this event as an opportunity to raise funds for our school. We will be holding a sausage sizzle. It would be greatly appreciated if families can offer assistance on this day. The more volunteers we have, the smaller the time commitment required. If you are not available to help out, hopefully you are able to support our fundraising by buying a sausage.



Back By Popular Demand

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits.

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/nitbusters.aspx>

P&C Raffle Easter

Lots of great Easter egg baskets to be won



**Tickets \$1 each or
One book of 12 tickets
for \$10.00**

Please return your tickets and money to the office prior to the Easter hat parade.



TODDLER STORY TIME



Tuesdays 2.20pm
This will be last week for Term 1 will restart
Week 2, Term 2.

In the Library

Parents & carers must attend, assist and be responsible for their toddler at all times

Easter Hat Parade



The Easter Hat Parade will be held on Thursday, 2nd April at 12:00pm. Come and celebrate with us by watching the students show off the wonderful hats they have created in class or at home. Students may go home after the parade but parents are reminded to sign out their child with the classroom teacher before leaving.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS

- KH** - Zain & Angelina
- KP** - Hunter & Yaadvi
- KRB** - Pranav & Keziah
- KS** - Zakaria & Laila
- 1M** - Danny & Shane
- 1T** - Kaelan & Ibrahim
- 1/2N** - Aleksander & Omar
- 2S** - Jasmine & Matthew
- 2W** - Charisma & Caleb
- 2/3J** - Elijah & Daniah
- Despina
- 3/4A** - Shushant & Stamatis
- 3/4M** - Fatima & Aidan
- 3/4P** - Abdurahman & Suhail
- 3/4S** - Avena & Essam
- 3/4V** - Julia & Cheehan
- 5/6B** - Aya & Aleisha
- 5/6J** - Abby & Akshay
- 5/6M** - Carolina & Jonathon
- 5/6R** - Sudrudin & Riya
- 5/6T** - Lianna & Marilyn
- 5/6W** - Shaheem & Nura

Parent English Classes

If you would like to develop your conversational English skills then our parent English classes are for you!

**Classes will be held on
Friday mornings
9am - 10.30am**



Classroom Chat with

KRB

Wow, what a fantastic time we had this term. KRB are enthusiastic learners who have been involved in many wonderful experiences and opportunities to learn and grow.

In mathematics, we are actively involved in the TEN (Teaching Early Numeracy) program. Students are working in groups that enable further learning. This week we used dice to develop our addition skills.



In Literacy, we are busy learning our sight words and letter sounds. KRB have been experiencing a variety of activities that promote this learning. We already have some awesome readers in the making.

KRB have really enjoyed our Monday afternoons. We have been learning some dances with all our kinder friends in KH, KP and KS.



What's on in 5/6B?

5/6B have settled into life in a senior class with ease. They have each found their feet (and their voices) very quickly and we are enjoying our time together.

We've been extremely hard at work developing our knowledge of our HSIE unit of 'Gold' taking part in some chocolate chip mining and have also completed many experiments for our topic of 'Change Detectives' which focuses on changing the states of solids, liquids and gases.



Each Friday afternoon we visit KRB for buddy sessions and are developing some great friendships with our little friends. We enjoy reading books and taking part in TEN maths activities.



Our Year 6 students have shown great leadership skills in delivering fun and engaging Peer Support lessons, however many of them come back wondering just how teachers manage to do their job day in day out when they are tired after only half an hour.



The National Young Leaders Day



On Monday 23rd March, the Captains and Vice Captains had the privilege of attending this year's Halogen National Young Leaders Day at Qantas Credit Union Arena. We saw many great people including; Bindi Irwin, Rachael Leahcar (blind singer from The Voice), Mike Martin, The Hon. Mike Baird and Dylan Parker & James Norton (Paper Plane champions). It was a great day for us to hear different leadership stories. Overall the day was fun, enjoyable and a great learning opportunity and we are grateful for attending this special event. **Ben Stojanovski**

The theme of the day was "Get Started". Each speaker told us that we don't have to wait to be grown up before we can be leaders or follow our dreams. Leadership also comes with responsibility you can't take advantage of your position as a leader. We were encouraged to think about what we believe in and what we would like to do and "Get Started." **Retty Temareti**

As a leader, we all have different characteristics and passion throughout our life. When we follow our heart, everyone can make their dreams come true by working hard to achieve their goals. Participation, dedication and love of what you are doing, lead you to become a successful person. Everyone is different and unique in their own way. This is the reason why you should believe deep down in your heart and show courage towards your interests. **Marilyn Tek**

We learned many things from amazing speakers. They each talked about their life and their leadership roles. No matter what disability or weakness you have, you can still be a leader and live your dreams. Leadership is not about wearing a badge it is about the influence you have on other people. The National Young leaders Day was very inspiring! **# GET STARTED Arushi Chand**