



PRESTONS POST



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

NAPLAN - Completed for another year!

As I write this newsletter, the finishing touches are being put on the NAPLAN test for another year. I'm sure that everybody tried their best - and that's all that we ask for! The results of the NAPLAN test will be sent out to schools at the end of Term 3.

HEAD LICE ALERT

As will often occur in schools, a few cases of head lice have been reported in recent weeks. **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.** The most effective way to do this, is to purchase cheap hair conditioner, apply it liberally to your child's hair, then comb it out using a fine head lice comb. (The combs are quite cheap and available at any chemist). This process will remove both the eggs and head lice, and will certainly make your child feel much more comfortable and ready to learn. 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.

P&C MEETING

On Tuesday night, a few dedicated members gathered together in the staffroom for our first P&C meeting for Term 2. (Perhaps it was the cold weather that kept some of the families away!) During the meeting a number of issues were discussed, including: changes to staffing; the purchase of iPad minis to enhance learning; new extra-curricular programs; the new school Aboriginal mural; and lots more! A Parent briefing meeting was also provided today for parents who were unable to attend on Tuesday night, but unfortunately only 5 people attended (two of these parents were here on Tuesday night!).

I encourage you all to come and join us for the next P&C meeting. Please watch the newsletter for details.

An explanation is required!!

As you may have noticed in the photo above, I unfortunately had to wear a Rabbitohs shirt at the last P&C meeting, as a result of losing a 'gentleman's wager' with our long serving P&C representative Mr Vassiliou. Unfortunately the Rabbits beat the Dragons on Monday night - and to the victor goes the spoils! (A proud rabbitoh supporter, Mr Vassiliou made sure he brought his camera to capture the moment!)

We will not talk about this again!!

Mark Greentree - Principal

2015 DATES TO REMEMBER

15/5/2015
Online OC Class applications close

21/5/2015
Stewart House Clothing Donations due

26/5/2015
Zone Cross Country

2/6/2015
Koomurri Aboriginal performance

8/6/2015
Queens Birthday Public Holiday

10/6/2015
Multicultural Day

16/6/2015
School Athletics Carnival

PSSA Winter Sport
Friday 15th May

Netball - Woodward Park, Liverpool

Boys Soccer - Ash Rd, Prestons

Girls Soccer - Ash Rd, Prestons

Rugby League - TBA

Please ensure your child has their hat, sunscreen and plenty of drinks for the afternoon.

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
20 th May	KRB
27 th May	KH
3 rd June	KP

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

Date	Host Class
28 th May	5/6R
11 th June	5/6J
25 th June	3/4S

YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS 2016 (Year 4 Students 2015)

Monday 27 April 2015: Online applications open

Friday 15 May 2015: Online applications close

Wednesday 22 July 2015:
Opportunity Class Placement Test

Parents will be able to access the online application at

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Any parent requiring further information or assistance with this process should contact the office

Kinder to Year 2



To assist in the event of toileting accidents and spills, it would be appreciated if parents could keep a **change of clothing, including socks and underwear, in their child's bag.** This will help to ensure your child is changed quickly as spare clothing is not always available from the office.

MULTICULTURAL DAY



Multicultural day is coming soon!!!

Are you part of a cultural performance group?

We want you!!

We are looking for cultural groups who would like to perform for us during our Multicultural Day on Wednesday 10th June.

Please contact the school for details and to register your interest.

Thanking you
Haley Storkey

Morning & Afternoon

Supervision

It is becoming a safety concern that students are arriving early to school and are left unsupervised in the playground during the morning. Supervision of students in the playground commences at **8:30am** under the COLA. Prior to this time, teachers are unable to provide direct supervision.

Parents who are late to collect students in the afternoon need to contact the office prior to 3pm. This will allow ample time for a message to be sent to students for them to come to the office.

Please assist us in protecting the safety of our students by ensuring that they arrive at school between 8:30 – 9:00am and are promptly picked up at 3pm.

If you require supervision before 8.30am or after 3pm please contact

CUBBYHOUSE CHILDCARE



1300 553 583

or

www.cubbycc.com.au

to arrange Before and After School Care.

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



This week's problem...

$$2 = 6$$

$$3 = 12$$

$$4 = 20$$

$$5 = 30$$

$$6 = 42$$

Then 9 would =??

The answer to last week's Maths puzzle was:

$$\begin{aligned} \star &= 8 \\ \bigcirc &= 6 \\ \square &= 4 \\ \triangle &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Classroom Chat with

Have a look in 1T

1T had a great time at the cross country. We tried our hardest and ran as fast as we could! The students enjoyed sitting with their house groups and cheering on the other students!



1T have been enjoying writing this term. We have been learning to write information reports and descriptions. We have been writing about different types of animals such as mammals, insects and reptiles.

In Science, we are learning about mixtures and mixing things together! We have been observing and feeling different ingredients that can go into our mixtures.



1T have been learning about negative and positive space in art. The students love to do painting!



We hope everyone has a wonderful term learning lots of new things!

5/6R

5/6R have had a busy start to Term 2 participating in the School Cross Country Carnival and visiting Minnamurra Rainforest as a part of our HSIE Rainforests unit. The students in 5/6R enjoyed learning about the layers of the rainforest and our amazing hike to the rainforest's waterfall.



Our class has also enjoyed working with our buddy class 1M on Friday afternoons. This has involved assisting with reading and creative arts and has allowed students in 5/6R to develop great leadership skills.



Students in 5/6R have also thoroughly enjoyed engaging in our science unit 'Change Detectives' where they explored the state of matter and mixtures, and how these forms can change through chemical reactions. Our class particularly enjoyed joining with 5/6B to create individual sherbet recipes through working technologically and problem solving. Although we haven't perfected the recipe yet, we predict that 5/6B and 5/6R's recipe will be available at all good supermarkets soon.

Keep up the great work 5/6R





Cross Country

