



# PRESTONS POST



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**A picture says a thousand words.....**



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

### THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!

On Tuesday night, I was able to farewell, thank and show the schools appreciation to the members of the P&C for their wonderful efforts throughout the year. The P&C committee have worked tirelessly all year to support the students in our school. Once again, the work of many has been done by a few VERY DEDICATED and committed parents. On behalf of the **ENTIRE** Prestons Public School community, I would like to say **THANK YOU for such an OUTSTANDING EFFORT!** At this meeting the P&C also got to have a great chat with our new Deputy Principal: Mr Kirkman, and our new Assistant Principal: Mrs Phillips. Both are very keen to work at Prestons PS in 2017!

Today, the staff also had the opportunity to say 'Thank You' to our Scripture Teachers and parent helpers. These volunteers have provided great service throughout the year to all our students. On behalf of all the community, I would like to thank all the scripture teachers and parent helpers, for their service and dedication.

### P&C RAFFLE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets for the 2016 P&C Christmas raffle have been sent home to families this week. The tickets are only \$1 each or \$10 for a book of 10. If you require any further books of tickets, please collect them from the Front Office. Thanks to the wonderful support of families with our Mufti Day on Wednesday, there are currently over 35 prizes to be won including: Gift Vouchers, Movie Vouchers and awesome Christmas Hampers. All money raised will be donated back to the school to support student learning in 2017.

### STOP WORK MEETING

The NSW Teachers Federation have called for a 2 hour stop work meeting NEXT THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> December from 9am-11am. This is the same day as our Sports Presentation, and as a result, Prestons Public School **WILL NOT BE AFFECTED**. I look forward to seeing you all at our Annual Sports Presentation.

### CONGRATULATIONS MISS JANABI

On behalf of the Prestons Public School community, I would like to congratulate Miss Janabi on being successfully appointed to Anzac Park Public School through Merit Selection. Miss J has been a wonderful asset to our school over the past 4 years, and although we are very sorry to see her go, I am certain she will make a wonderful addition to the staff at ANZAC Park. Best wishes from us all Miss J!

Mark Greentree – Principal

## 2016 DATES TO REMEMBER

5/12/16  
K-2 Movie Day

5/12/16  
Yr 3 & 4 Fun Day –  
Activities at school

5/12/16  
Year 6 Farewell

8/12/216  
Sports Presentation Day

9/12/2016  
School Presentation Day

13/12/16  
Year 6 Bowling Excursion  
Yr 5 Movie Fun Day

16/12/16  
Last Day Term 4

27/1/17  
Staff Return

30/1/17  
Students Yr 1 to 6 return

31/1/17  
Kindergarten students  
commence

**PSSA Summer Sport has  
concluded for the year.**

## School Information

### Assembly Information

Stage assemblies have concluded for the year.

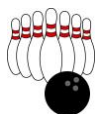
### K-2 Movie Day



Notes have gone home for the K-2 Movie Day on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December**.

Students will be watching the film "Trolls".

### Year 6 Bowling



Students in Year 6 will be attending a Fun Day at AMF Bowling & Laser Tag on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**.

The cost of this excursion is \$25.00. Permission notes and payment are due to the office by 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

### Year 6 End of Year Activities

5<sup>th</sup> December – Yr 6 Farewell  
Liverpool Catholic Club - cost \$30

13<sup>th</sup> December – Bowling & Laser Tag  
cost \$25

15<sup>th</sup> December – Sports Day



16<sup>th</sup> December – Farewell Circle at 2.40pm

### Year 5 Fun Day



Students in Year 5 will be participating in a movie, pizza and fun day at school on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**.

The cost for this activity is \$8.00. Permission notes and payment are due to the office by 9<sup>th</sup> December.

### P&C Uniform Shop

The P&C 2nd hand uniform shop will be open on the following additional days:

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec - 11am to 12noon**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec – 11am to 12noon**

**Monday afternoons from 2.30 pm to 3.10 pm**



### Office News

If your child is **not** returning to Prestons Public School in 2017 it is requested that you notify the office in writing advising which school your child will be transferring to.

If your child will not be starting back at school on the 30<sup>th</sup> of January 2017 due to an extended holiday, please notify the office with the expected return date.

### P&C Christmas Raffle





Students have been issued with raffle tickets for the P&C Christmas Raffle. Tickets are \$1 each (\$10 for whole book).



**The raffle will be drawn Monday morning 12/12/16.**

Tickets and money must be returned to the office BEFORE Monday assembly.

## Library News

Overdue notices went out today. Please ensure all books are returned by the end of this week. If you child has already returned the book on their overdue notice, please get them to see Mrs Hawkins.

Thanks for your help!  
*Mrs Hawkins*

### Uniforms

Uniforms are available for sale from the office **till Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**.

Office hours are 8.30am till 3.15pm.

The office will **reopen on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017**.

**The uniform for students going into Year 5 in 2017 will change to the white polo shirt.**

### Homework Club



The Monday afternoon Homework Club has finished for term 4. Students involved with this will finish at 3pm as usual next Monday.




Have you enrolled your child for

## Kindy 2017?

If not – your time is running out!!  
If your child is 5 or turning 5 before 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 then you need to enrol NOW!

**Prestons Public School**

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# Classroom Chat with .....

## 1R

This term, 1R have been learning to become authors, as part of our 'Writer's Workshop' program. We have just finished our writing unit on imaginative stories. We worked on making our own books. We focused on telling our stories through detailed sentences and our illustrations. We also stretched our story over several pages to create books. We used tools such as 'The Story Hand' to be certain our stories included our characters, the setting, three details, and our feelings. We also studied the work of other authors and illustrators while we walked in their footsteps to help make our writing come alive. Some of the techniques we studied included the illustrator's point of view and speech bubbles.

Have a read of some of our awesome descriptions:

*Lily lived in a pink house with a purple roof. She had an enormous balcony with pink, purple and blue flowers. Lily had a gigantic kitchen with ten plates. She had pink curtains with blue windows.*

*Mariana*

*One lovely spring morning there was a white fluffy bunny named Filly. She has four strong feet to hop high. She is a pretty and funny bunny. She likes to wear lovely pink bows.*

*Emira*

*One beautiful night there was a friendly, funny clown called Dennis. He has a red shirt and he has blue pants. He sits on a wood plank.*

*Rahul*

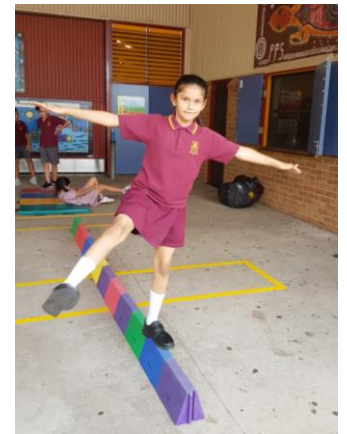
*Emma lived in a really big house with her friend. The house had lots of windows because it had lots of rooms. The house is colourful with rainbow colours. In front of the house there is lots of green grass to play games.*

*Shaili*

1R have shown that they are quality students, striving to complete their best work. They should be extremely proud of their efforts in Year 1. I wish them all the best for Year 2.

## 3/4B

This term has been wonderful in 3/4B! We have really enjoyed our gymnastics program. There are some superstars in Stage 2! We have been really lucky to have access to some laptops over the past few weeks. The students have been embracing this opportunity with enthusiasm. 3/4B have demonstrated their creativity this term throughout our writing program. Some imaginative characters have been created. I am so proud of how far all of the students have come and grown throughout this year. Every child should feel very proud of their achievements.

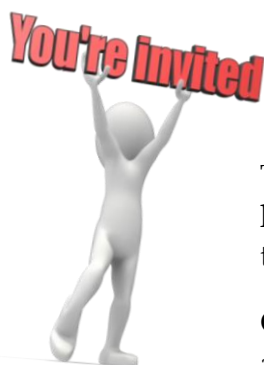


## SPORTS PRESENTATION DAY 2016 (YEARS 2-6)

The 4th Annual Sports Presentation will be held at Prestons Public School on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December (Week 9)**. The ceremony will commence at **9:30am** in the Hall.

Come and celebrate the sporting achievements of our students in 2016.

Our special guests at the assembly will be **Chloe Esposito**. Chloe is an Olympic Gold Medalist, who competed in the 2016 Rio Women's Modern Pentathlon.



## PRESENTATION DAY 2016

The **2016 School Presentation Day** will be held on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December (Week 9)** in the School Hall.

Come and join us to celebrate the students' academic and creative achievements.

**Years 3-6 - 9.15am till 10.30am**

**Kinder - Yr 2 - 10.45am till 11.45am**



*Hope to see you there!*

**KINDY GRADUATION  
2016**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2016**  
**Prestons Public School**

Parents and families are invited to celebrate the 2016 Kindergarten graduation. You are welcome to bring a picnic afternoon tea to share with your child at 1:40pm. Formalities will commence at 2:15pm in the school hall.  
Hope to see you there!

**Miss Pezzano, Miss Higgins, Mrs Seeney &  
Miss Siddons**



Prestons Public School is using the Skoolbag App to keep parents informed.

Follow the instructions below to download for iPhone & iPad users.

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
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6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

**More information and download instructions for other devices can be found at:**  
[www.skoolbag.com.au/](http://www.skoolbag.com.au/)

## This summer get active with cricket!

Cricket is Australia’s fastest growing sport. It gives girls and boys of all ages and abilities the chance to get active, develop skills and have fun. This summer why don’t you register your child at their local MILO T20 Blast Centre. Find out where you can play locally here: [www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au)



### PRESTONS NETBALL CLUB 2017 SEASON REGISTRATION

10am – 2pm

- SAT 4 Feb 2017, Casula Mall
- SUN 5 Feb 2017, Jardine Park, Casula
- SAT 11 Feb 2017, Jardine Park, Casula

New players welcome, girls age 6 to adult.  
For Enquiries contact [prestonsnetball@gmail.com](mailto:prestonsnetball@gmail.com) or [www.facebook.com/groups/1284497641578011](http://www.facebook.com/groups/1284497641578011)



## DISABILITY DAY A DAY IN THE LIFE: WESTS TIGERS PLAYER

JOIN US ON DECEMBER 3 FOR INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH A DISABILITY, AND SPEND A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A WESTS TIGERS PLAYER!

**DATE:** SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER 2016

**TIME:** 11AM - 3PM

**LOCATION:** MICHAEL CLARKE RECREATION CENTRE  
2 MARGARET DAWSON DRIVE, CARNES HILL

THE DAY IS OPEN TO ALL PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY & WILL FEATURE A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING GIVEAWAYS, SIGNING SESSIONS, DANCE CLINIC, AND THE CHANCE TO MEET WESTS TIGERS PLAYERS.



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