

# PRESTONS POST



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#### A picture says a thousand words.....



# Principal's Message

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

I would like to wish everyone a warm welcome back to school. A special welcome to our many new families who are joining the Prestons family. I am sure that you will find our school to be a great place of learning and fun where all children can come to school and feel safe, happy and ready to get on with the job of learning and exploring new things.

Term 3 is looking to be an exciting term of learning and fun. Our students will be busy learning and engaging in many fun activities. We have several exciting incursions planned for our students, including the Ned Show next Friday, the Science Show and a Road Safety workshop for all students. We also have swim scheme this term. What a great opportunity for students to learn to swim through the fantastic program offered by the Department of Education. We will also be celebrating Education Week and Book Week this term. Our teachers are busy planning some fantastic events to welcome our families into school. Our ever popular Book Character parade is sure to be a great success. We are looking forward to welcoming our new Director, Educational Leadership for the Glenfield Principals Network will be joining us on this day and has promised to dress up and join our celebrations.

I also have some exciting news about our new buildings. The Project Reference Group met today to finalise the plans for our facility upgrade. We are now ready to submit the plans for tender and are hoping to be ready to start work onsite by December this year with the aim to have all work completed by the end of 2019. There will be a display with the finalised plans for parents and carers to view on the day of our Book Character parade, come along and check it out.

We love sharing our celebrations of learning with families each week at assembly. Assembly is a great time for our children to learn about respectful listening and audience behavior. I thank our parents for supporting us in this by also modelling respectful behavior while our students showcase their achievements.

Have a great week. Liz Van Der Meulen Principal Email:prestons-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

# 2018 DATES TO REMEMBER

1/8/18: Reverse Garbage Incursion

2/8/18: School Disco

3/8/18: The NED Show

6/8/18 - 10/8/18: Education Week

9/8/18: Book Character Parade

9/8/18 – 14/8/18: Book Fair

14/8/18: P&C Meeting

15/8/18: The Big Science Show

30/8/18: Father's Day Stall

3/9/18 - 7/9/18: School Swim Scheme

# PSSA Winter Sport Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July

Netball - Woodward Park, Liverpool

Boys Soccer 1 – Ash Rd, Prestons

**Boys Soccer 2** – Ireland Park, Liverpool.

**Girls Soccer Gold** – Phillips Park, Lurnea.

**Girls Soccer Maroon -** Phillips Park, Lurnea.

**League** – Brownes Farm Reserve, Hoxton Park.

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

Students depart school at 12noon and return to school by 3pm.

#### **School Information**

#### **Assembly Information**

Date	Host Class
31 <sup>st</sup> July	2 Elephants
7 <sup>th</sup> August	2 Crocodiles

#### 3 to 6 – Every EVEN Week Thursday commencing at 2pm

Date		Host Class	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> August	6 Eagles	
	16 <sup>th</sup> August	3 Dolphins	

#### **P&C Used Uniform Shop**

The used uniform shop will be open Tuesday afternoons from 2.45pm to **3.15pm**. The shop is located behind the hall.

The P&C are selling Prestons PS school bags for only \$5.

Donations of school uniform items are requested for the uniform shop. Donated uniform items can be left at the office.

#### Stage 3 Camp

Students in years 5 & 6 will be attending an overnight camp to Canberra on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September (Week 10, Term 3)

The final cost for this excursion is \$200. This covers transport, accommodation and meals. The \$200 will need to be paid in full by Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

#### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club is held on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings in the library at 8.30am



#### **School Swimming Scheme**

Students in Years 2 to 6 are invited to participate in the School Swimming K- 2 Every Tuesday commencing at 2pm. Scheme. This will be held at the Whitlam Leisure Centre and will run each day between 3 -7 September.

> This scheme focuses on students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and are unable to swim 25m confidently.

The cost for this extra-curricular activity is \$51 and spaces are strictly limited to 60 participants.

Students need to return their payment and signed permission slip to the office by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

#### STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS

3 Jellyfish -Marina, Erin 3 Dolphins -Azaan, Fatima 3/4 Seahorses - Ram, Tajran 4 Turtles -Salina, Affan 4 Starfish -Andrew N, Dina 4/5 Ravens -Khalid, Andrea 5 Kingfishers -Kristian, Nita 5 Rosella -Telopa, Emalee

6 Pelicans -Pera, Luka

6 Magpies -Gracian, Christina 5 Falcons -Zak, Malaika

#### Kindergarten 2019



We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2019. Children who turn 5 by the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019 are eligible to enrol for Kindergarten 2019.

Enrolment forms can be collected from the administration office.

#### **Lost Property**

Please remember to check the lost property bucket in the office for any misplaced items.

## Kinder to Year 2 change of clothes

To assist in the event of toileting accidents and spills, it would be appreciated if parents sent 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.

# Prestons Public School Student Disco

Thursday, 2nd August 2018



K-2 3.30pm-4.30pm 4.45pm-6.00pm

Cost \$5 (includes free glow stick)

Extra glow items on sale from 50c-\$4 Lollies on sale from 50c-\$2

Drinks on sale from \$1 Sausage sizzle for \$2.50

Notes and money will be collected at the door

# Classroom Chat with .....

## 1 Giraffes

I Graffes had a very busy Term 2 and it's safe to say that we love food! In Science, we learnt all about how food can change when it is heated and cooled. We were even allowed to create a recipe at home for our Yakkity Yaks and share it with our class. We learnt new vocabulary like 'reversible', 'irreversible' and 'properties'. We got to experiment with cooked and uncooked spaghetti to identify and observe the differences. Check out our amazing Spaghettit. Ast.



Seeing as we're on the topic of hot and cold, we were lucky enough to be given the chance to celebrate the **FIRST DAY OF WINTER** with our scarves, beanies and a milo. Check out our wintry photos...





Since its no secret that we love food, we think its important that you know we do enjoy eating healthy too. On our HEALTH. Day we were able to create fruit and vegetable faces and dress up as our favourite fruit. We also learnt about food handling and that its super important to be hygienic by washing our hands to avoid contamination and catching germs.





# In the school library last term.

#### Early Stage 1 and Stage 1

During library lessons the students had the opportunity to borrow from a large selection of quality fiction books and participate in lessons focused on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) activities. They designed and made various items including castles, towers, traps for witches and a new bed for goldilocks.



#### Stage 2

Stage 2 has participated in lessons that focused on researching information about people who have contributed to Australian society in the past. In particular we focussed on Quong Tart. Quong Tart was an Australian of Asian heritage who had a significant influence on his local community in many ways. Quong Tart was also a true celebrity of his time. He would attend social functions dressed either in Mandarin robes or in a kilt and

sporran (his affection for things Scottish stemming from his association with the Simpson family at Braidwood). He could tell jokes and anecdotes, recite Robert Burns' poetry or sing Scottish ballads. Everyone in Sydney at that time either knew or knew of Quong Tart. When he died in 1903 he was farewelled with a huge public funeral and thousands of mourners turned out to pay their respects.



#### Stage 3

During library lessons stage 3 researched famous Australian people to describe how their cultural influence shaped our Australian identity. Stage 3 was particularly interested in Mick Fanning and his ability to still achieve in times of hardship and adversity.



# The 'Big Science Show' presented by Fizzics Education

WHEN: Wednesday 15 August 2018 (Term 3, Term 4)

WHERE: School Hall

TIME: 1 hour activity

COST: \$5



Please return the permission note and payment to the office by Monday 10th August 2018.

The note will be distributed on the first day back of Term 3.

# Prestons Book Character Parade!

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018



Start thinking of a great costume!



# **Spotlight on Learning**



On staff development day the teachers did lots of learning. They learned about writing PLPs to support our aboriginal students, how to use technology to enhance learning and engaged in workshops about maths. President: Shane McNamara Secretary: Dave Millott (040:1654207) Junior Vice President-Mick Goldie Treasurer: Nicole Drinkwater



## PRESTONS CRICKET CLUB IS LOOKING FOR BOYS & GIRLS

(Aged 5 & Up) to play cricket this year with our

CLUB, WE TEACH THE SKILLS OF THE GAME WHILST HAVING FUN IN A TEAM ENVIRONMENT.

REGISTARTION FEES ARE \$150 (Juniors)

\$120 (U/10s) (U/11s- U/16s) \$150

\$60 (Mini Cricket)

WHICH INCLUDES A PLAYING SHIRT & CAP).

We are also trying to get an <u>All Girls</u> team for a Tuesday Competition.

Registration days are at McDonalds (Ash Road Camden Valley way Saturday 28th July 1130-1pm or

vancy way Saturday 20 July 1130-1pm of

McDonalds Edmondson Park Saturday 4th August 1130-1pm

Or email Secretary@prestonshornetscc.com

or

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL DAVE 0401654207



#### VICTORIA PARK, MINTO played THURSDAYS

Registration is being held: Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018 4.30 – 7.00 at Victoria Park, Minto

#### Comp kicks off Thursday 30th August 2018

Registration \$70 per player

For further details contact

Prue: 0410 649 393

www.greaterwestiunioroztag.com



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.
- 5. When installed click "Open"
- 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/



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24th July 2018

### **Book Character Parade 2018**

On Thursday 9th August at 9:30am, Prestons Public School will hold our 'Book Character Parade'. Students are encouraged to come to school on this day dressed up as their favourite book character. Therefore, children do not need their school uniform on this day. Children must wear covered shoes. Children may also like to bring the book their character is from to carry during the parade. Family and friends are invited to come along to watch the parade and then stay for a picnic lunch with their child. Toddlers are also encouraged to dress up and will be given a chance to join in the parade.

This year's book theme is 'Find Your Treasure'. The first thing that may come to mind for you when you think of this theme is pirates! Of course, not all treasure is in the form of a pirate's treasure chest! Your "treasure" could be your favourite book. Your "treasure" could also be a literary character that has inspired you in some way. If Captain America is idolized in your household, you can dress up as him, or any number of other comic book superheroes! The options are endless with this theme, you just have to get creative! This could cover any number of costume ideas and styles! There have also been so many great new literary releases this year to inspire you.

If you would like to join your child for a picnic after the parade you can pre order lunch from the canteen. Please select from our canteen menu to place orders before Tuesday the 7th of August.

The drawing and writing competitions and raffle winners will be announced at the conclusion of the parade.

Looking forward to a fun parade!

Mrs Van Der Meulen Principal Mrs Claydon Teacher Librarian



Prestons Book Character Parade!

Thursday 9th August 2018



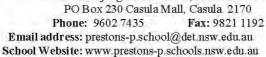
Start thinking of a great costume!

**LEARNING & CARING WITH PRIDE** 



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5th July, 2018

#### The Big Science Show

Dear Parent/Guardian,

In 2018 National Science Week will be held in Term 3, Week 4 (11–19 August 2018). To celebrate National Science Week and to excite students about Science we have organised an incursion called The 'Big Science Show' by Fizzics Education. Students will each participate in a 60-minute show in the school hall. This session gives the students the opportunity to see lots of engaging science experiments and activities. This great 'science sampler' was originally developed as the main stage show for 2008 Australian Science Festival in Canberra as a way of introducing science into the greater community. Students will get the opportunity to see gigantic bubbles, hair-raising electricity experiments, levitating beach balls, a giant gyroscope, fire balls, coloured shadows, a flame equalizer and much more!

#### **INCURSION OUTLINE**

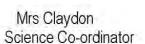
Wednesday 15 August 2018 (Term 3, Term 4) WHEN:

WHERE: School Hall

TIME: 1 hour activity

COST: \$5

Mrs Van Der Meulen Principal



Please return the permission note and payment to the office by Monday 10th August 2018.

	STONS PUBLIC SCHOOL	
The Bi	g Science Show- 15/8/2018	
I give permission for my child	of class to	participate in the
incursion 'The Big Science Show' presented by Fizzics E	Education on Wednesday 15 August 2018.	drawn and and
I have enclosed \$5 to cover the cost of this incursion.		
Please note any student medical needs/conditions;		_

# THE NED SHOW

### Hey families,

The NED Show assembly is visiting our school. The performance uses storytelling, humor, illusions and yo-yo tricks to inspire and motivate your child to:

Never give up ★ Encourage others ★ Do your best.®

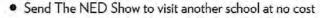
SHOW DATE: Friday 3rd August

SALE DATES/TIME: 3rd August - 10th August

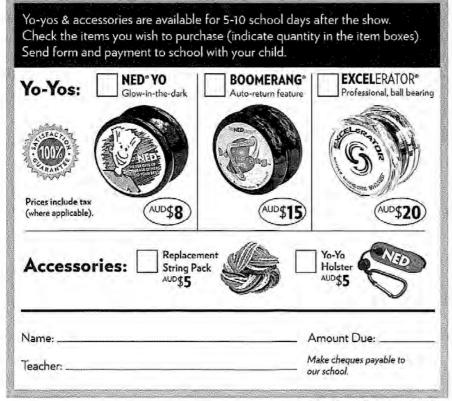
SALE LOCATION: Asphalt area



Did you know? Our school gets the assembly at no cost because we're hosting a Pay-It-Forward Sale. With each purchase, you help:



- Give your child a reminder of NED's message
- Share a timeless toy and the fun of learning yo-yo tricks
- A small portion of each yo-yo sold will be allocated to your nearest Children's Hospital affiliate as part of our corporate sponsorship.



#### LEARN MORE ABOUT...

- 50+ free printable Parent Resources to use NED at home
- · How your Children's Hospital will benefit from each yo-yo sale
- How kids benefit from learning to yo-yo
- · Different features of each yo-yo
- · 25+ Instructional, How-to-Yo videos

Visit: theNEDshow.com/ yoyos

Prices effective for 2017-18 School Year

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# GO4Fun

## GET YOUR FAMILY IN TIP TOP SHAPE AT GO4FUN THIS YEAR!

Go4Fun is a 10 week fun and dynamic healthy lifestyle program that is provided free for kids aged 7-13 years who are above a healthy weight. The program is designed for families and their kids to learn about healthy eating and physical activity through fun group activities and games.

## TERM 3 LIVERPOOL PROGRAMS

Programs starting from July 23rd - places still available

#### **Liverpool PCYC**

Cnr Cartwright Ave & Maxwells Ave, Miller Mondays 4-6pm

# Gandangara Aboriginal Program at Liverpool PCYC

Cnr Cartwright Ave & Maxwells Ave, Miller Thursdays 4-6pm

# WANT MORE INFORMATION?

For more information or to register, contact us on 1800 780 900 or visit go4fun.com.au





South Western Sydney Local Health District

# BECOME A VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILY



"If you're thinking about hosting, do it! It's the most rewarding experience for your family. Our daughter has a sister now, someone to talk to other than mum or dad."

Nicole, three-time host mum.

CAN YOU HOST ME?

EMAIL SYLVIAKELLY@WEP.ORG.AU CALL 1300 884 733 SMS 0428 246 633

WEP IS LOOKING FOR AUSTRALIAN FAMILIES TO JOIN OUR COMMUNITY OF WONDERFUL VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILIES.

HOST A HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE STUDENT!

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN OTHER CULTURES, WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU! REMEMBER, SOMETIMES THE GREATEST REWARDS IN LIFE COME FROM DOING THINGS YOU NEVER THOUGHT YOU WOULD!

CONTACT WEP ON 1300 884 733 FOR MORE INFORMATION.



MAEVA 0

16 from Belgium

"Mature, organised and quite a perfectionist, I would like to become a pediatrician when I am older so I can save children's lives. I hope my host family will show me the true Australian way of living."



NICOLO F

16 from Italy

"Ciao from Italy! My friends say I am bighearted, sensible and always available to help and listen. My biggest passion is fashion. I also love art in general, books and movies."

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**TOWARDS ZERO** 

## Slow down to 40 when bus lights flash

#### Public awareness campaign - Communications toolkit

#### About

NSW has one of the largest bus fleets in Australia. More than 3850 buses operate in the Sydney area, while another 1000 buses service the Newcastle, Wollongong and Blue Mountains areas. In addition, more than 3000 bus services operate in rural and regional NSW.

The NSW Government is committed to working with industry and the community to improve safety around buses and is implementing a campaign targeting motorists to highlight the laws around bus flashing lights.

#### The issue

Research commissioned by the Centre for Road Safety highlighted a need to improve motorists' awareness of, and compliance with, road rules around bus flashing lights. Lights flash on the front and back of a bus when the bus is picking up or setting down school children. By law you must slow down to 40km/h when bus lights flash. When bus lights are flashing, young children are on foot around the bus. When travelling by bus, children are most at risk in the minutes after they get off the bus.

#### The campaign

Transport for NSW currently runs a public awareness campaign on school zones at the start of each school term. From July 2018, this campaign is being expanded to include additional messaging around bus flashing lights.

The campaign runs from 22 July 2018 for the start of Term 3 and comprises:

- Radio, social media and digital display advertising
- Promotion on screens in all 85 Service NSW centres across the State
- Content for partners to use and share.

#### Get involved

Road safety partners and bus operators are encouraged to promote the bus flashing lights messaging through their channels and across their communities. A number of resources are available (see 'Creative Assets' on the next page) to use during the first week of the school term while advertising is running and throughout the year as needed to continue raising awareness.