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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Week 11 newsletter. This is our final week at school for term 1. Our student leaders were presented with their badges at our SRC induction ceremony on Monday. Thank you to our wonderful parents, carers and friends who attended this assembly to pin badges on our students.

Term 2 news

We are excited to welcome Miss Truong and Mrs Clarke to Prestons Public School. Miss Truong will be the new classroom teacher of 6 Magpies and Mrs Clarke will be the new classroom teacher for 4 Starfish. Miss Sladek will be taking over as the new classroom teacher of 1/2 Macaws. I know everyone will join me in welcoming our new teachers to Prestons.

We are sad to say farewell to Mr Whittington, Miss Foley and Mrs Rota who will not be returning to Prestons in Term 2. We thank them for their contributions and dedication to the students at Prestons Public School in Term 1.

I will be taking leave for the first two weeks of Term 2. Mrs Quinlan will be relieving as Principal in my absence and Mrs Beavis will be relieving as Deputy. Miss Rigas will be relieving as Assistant Principal, supervising Year 2 during this time.

Thank you to our wonderful school community for your understanding and patience as we have moved into our temporary administration office. Work will be starting on our office upgrades in the school holidays and we are hoping to move into our beautiful new office space from Term 3. A special thank you to our amazing office staff who have kept our school running so efficiently under extremely difficult circumstances this week. Our wonderful ladies kept a happy and welcoming smile on their faces and ensured that our students were cared for and our families and visitors were welcomed in a professional and friendly manner every day. We are so lucky to have you at Prestons Public school.

I would like to wish all of our families a safe and happy holiday. Our teachers are looking forward to welcoming all students back to school on Tuesday 30th April.

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

2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

11/4/2019 Easter Hat Parade P&C Easter Raffle

12/4/2019 Last Day of Term 1

29/4/2019 Staff Development Day

30/4/2019 Students return Term 2

1/5/2019 Anzac Day Ceremony

8/5/2019 School Photo Day

PSSA Summer Sport

Summer PSSA has concluded for Term 1. This competition will continue Term 4.

Winter PSSA will be played during Terms 2 & 3, more information will be provided next term

School Information

Assembly Information

K-2 Every Tuesday commencing at 2pm

| Date | Host Class |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 7 th May | School Captains |
| 14 th May | 1 Giraffes |

3 to 6 – Even Weeks, Thursdays commencing at 2pm

| Date | Host Class |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 9 th May | 5/6 Kookaburras |
| 23 rd May | 3 Dolphins |

Breakfast Club



Students are welcome to attend Breakfast Club which is held each morning near the library from 8.30am



On Wednesday 1st May, Prestons PS will be holding an ANZAC Day ceremony at **1pm**.

Parents and friends are welcome to attend. Students can bring flowers to place under the flag poles during the assembly.

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. **School Photos**



School photos for 2019 will be on Wednesday 8th May

So parents can plan for this cost, student photo packages will range in price from **\$23 to \$44.**

Sibling Packages are also available.

Student photo envelopes will be issued Week 1, Term 2.

Stage 3 Camp

Students in years 5 & 6 will be attending a 3 day camp to Morriset Sport & Recreation Outdoor Education from Wednesday 16th October to Friday 18th October 2019.

The cost for this excursion is **\$258.50.** This covers transport, accommodation, activities and meals.

A non-refundable deposit of \$58.50 is due by 12th April 2019. Full payment is due by Friday 13th September 2019

PSSA Zone Teams

This term there have been many opportunities for students to trial for Zone PSSA teams in a range of sports.

Congratulations to the following students who have made zone teams:

Tia – Girls Softball

Mitchell – Boys Softball

Riley – 11 years Rugby League

Moustapha – Opens Rugby League

Emalee – Girls Football (Soccer)

Despina – Girls Football (Soccer)

Aleeyah – Girls Football (Soccer)

Maria – Netball

Brianna – Netball

Vanisi – Netball

Zara – Netball

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS

| AVA | ND RECIPIENTS | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Echidnas - Z | ahraa & David | |
| Koalas - T | yler & Nada | |
| Meerkats - R | hayden-Khan & Shasmeen | |
| Platypus - la | an & Reme-Culhane | |
| Possums - E | nayet | |
| Wombats - I | Ethan & Kimaya | |
| Flamingos - J | Ioseph & Mehar | |
| Giraffes - V | Waima & Ivy | |
| Lions - J | Iamal & Sapphire | |
| Treefrogs - (| Cohen & Annesdel | |
| Macaws - | Ellen & Jahyla | |
| Crocodiles - / | Adyan & Yohana | |
| Leopards - (| Gad & Aiden | |
| Monkeys - | Amal | |
| Toucans - | Hamoudi & Holly | |
| Dolphins - / | Abbey & Malik | |
| Jellyfish - | Ramoy & Ayaann | |
| Rainbow fish - Bashar & Helen | | |
| Sharks - I | Emily & Julieta | |
| Stingrays - J | Iodi & Laila | |
| Turtles - I | Niveen A & Christina | |
| Ravens - S | Saleha & Khaled | |
| Falcons - | Maya & Ryan | |
| Rosellas - | Tara & Aashna | |
| | Kookaburras – Despina & Maria | |
| Eagles - | Amar & Genesis | |
| Magpies - | Lucas & Nancy | |
| Pelicans - | Stanley & Shanika | |
| | (les) | |

P&C Easter Raffle

Lots of Easter egg baskets to be won.

Tickets \$1 each or One book for \$10.00

Please return your tickets and money to the office prior to the Easter hat parade on Thursday 11th April 2019.



Stewart House Donation Drive

Donation envelopes have been handed out to the eldest student today. All envelopes are due back to the office by Friday 17th May 2019.

Classroom Chat with

2 Crocodiles

Term 1 has been a very exciting and busy time for 2 Crocodiles. We have been working hard on our writing starting with 'Writing Bootcamp'. Mr Estepa and all the Year 2 teachers dressed up in Army clothing as we entered our own bootcamp to improve our writing. We learnt that the best way to do our best writing was to follow these steps 'Brainstorm', 'Write', 'Revise', Edit and 'Publish'. We still remember and use that Writing chant today. We have also done some great work with our Autobiography writing pieces and we have gotten to know each other a lot better through these writing samples. It is proudly on display in our Classroom front window. Come and visit and get to know us. Maths this term has been very busy as well with Crocodiles focusing on learning about Time, dates, fractions, measurement and of course our addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We worked a lot together as groups to learn and practice our maths skills this term and it has made our Maths lessons so much more enjoyable.

We have also stayed very active in class through our weekly Gymnastics lessons. We have had a great time with Mr. F and Mr. N learning gymnastics skills such as Forward and backward rolls, balancing on the bar, walking on balance beam and jumps on the mini trampoline. This has helped us improve our fitness, movement skills, our growth mindset and above all have had a lot of fun doing this!

We can't wait for what Term 2 has in-store for us!



5/6 Kookaburras

What a busy term it has been in 5/6 Kookaburras!

We have been working towards setting achievable learning goals throughout our learning and are continually striving for success.



Throughout the last few weeks we have been working closely with our Stage 3 intervention teacher on guided reading. Ms Ross has been working in class to help support and build our literacy skills.



In Mathematics, we have enjoyed exploring new concepts and continue to learn new strategies to solve more complex worded problems.

As a class we are looking forward to all of the events still to come throughout the year!



Easter Hat Parade Save the date When: Thursday 11th April Time: 9:30am Where: Asphalt Come and Celebrate with us by Watching the students show off their wonderful Easter hats!

Stage 3 students researching and preparing to write informative texts.





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