



# PRESTONS POST



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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carer,

Welcome to our Week 8 newsletter. We have had yet another busy and productive week at Prestons Public School.

### See Saw

Our students are loving being able to share their successes in learning with their families via our See Saw app. If you have not yet downloaded this I encourage you to talk to your child's classroom teacher about how to access See Saw.

### Quality Teaching

Our teachers have been working hard to ensure that consistent quality teaching practices are embedded into our daily routines across the whole school. I wanted to say a big thank you to Mrs Beavis and Mrs Willis, our Instructional Leaders who work tirelessly to support our teachers with in class demonstrations, support with planning and setting up systems, support with providing and assisting our teachers with quality resources and providing outstanding professional learning so that our teachers can continue to learn. I love that at Prestons Public School we are all lifelong learners.

### Student safety

Parents and carers are reminded to not approach other students at Prestons Public School. All students at Prestons need to feel safe and happy at school. If you have any issues with another child at our school, please approach the classroom teacher so that your concerns are able to be addressed in an appropriate way.

### Parking and driving around our school

Parents and carers are reminded of safe and responsible driver behaviour around our school. This includes:

- Adhering to speed limits and parking restrictions. Number plates will be recorded and passed on to the police for repeat offenders.
- Modelling respectful behaviour at all times around our school
- Not parking over the driveway on Kurrajong Road. This entrance is used by contractors and must be kept clear. Again, offender's number plates will be recorded and passed on to the police.

Thank you to our wonderful families for ensuring that the Prestons Public School community is a warm, welcoming and friendly community.

### Athletics Carnival

We are looking forward to seeing many of our families and friends cheering on and supporting our students at the Athletics Carnival. For safety and supervision, students must remain with their teachers in the organised groups at all times. Parents and friends are reminded that only officials are permitted onto the track and field area. Please support your children from the outside of the fence. We are excited to see lots of spectators cheering on our students.

Have a great week and don't forget to ask your child what they are learning at school this week.

Liz Van Der Meulen  
Principal

## 2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

18/6/2019  
P&C Meeting

19/6/2019  
Athletics Carnival

5/7/2019  
Last day Term 2

22/7/2019  
Staff Development Day

23/7/2019  
Students return Term 3

31/7/2019  
OC Placement test

## PSSA Winter Sport Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June

Netball – Woodward Park,  
Liverpool.

Boys Soccer 1 –Phillips Park,  
Lurnea.

Boys Soccer 2 – Ireland Park,  
Liverpool.

Girls Soccer Gold – Ash Rd,  
Prestons.

Girls Soccer Maroon –Phillips Park,  
Lurnea.

Rugby League – Jardine Park,  
Casula.

**Please ensure your child has their hat, sunscreen and plenty of drinks. Students depart school at 12 noon and will return to school by 3pm.**

## School Information

### Assembly Information

**K-2** Every **Tuesday** commencing at **2pm**

Date	Host Class
25 <sup>th</sup> June	K Echidnas
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	2 Monkeys

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

Date	Host Class
20 <sup>th</sup> June	3 Dolphins
4 <sup>th</sup> July	4/5 Ravens

### Premier's Spelling Bee

The Premier's Spelling Bee is now open for students in years 3-6.

If you would like to access the lists to practice at home, please visit the following website:

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/premiers-spelling-bee>

Due to Macquarie Dictionary's strict copyright laws, the word list online is password protected. The password must be given verbally, so please ask your child's teacher for the password.

Stage finals will be held in week 9.

### P&C Meeting

Our P&C will be meeting tonight, Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm in the staffroom.

# PARENT ENGLISH

Join us

**When:** Friday 9am  
**Where:** EAL/D support room



## Athletics Carnival

Prestons PS annual athletics carnival is being held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at Dwyer Oval, Warwick Farm.

### Time:

- **Yrs 3-6 & Yr 2 (8 Year olds)**  
Students need to arrive at school at **8.20am** and will depart at **8.30am**.
- **K-2 Students**  
Students will depart school at 9.30am.

All students will return to school by 3pm.

**Transport:** By bus (no cost to students)

**Uniform:** Students **MUST** wear a hat, sunscreen, comfortable running shoes & can wear their sports uniform or house colours. Please make sure your child has warm clothing.

**Food:** Students will need a **packed lunch or preordered lunch pack**. Please ensure your child has enough drinks for the day.

\*Orders for lunch packs have **CLOSED**, however, the P&C will have some extra lunch packs available on the day\*



### Student Banking

Deposit books are to be handed into the office each **Wednesday morning before 9am**. Student deposits will be processed and books will be returned to students the following day.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS

### WEEK 6

- Echidnas** - Bianca
- Koalas** - Aiesha
- Meerkats** - Ashay
- Platypus** - Ariel
- Possums** - Jacob
- Wombats** - Madison
- Flamingos** - Peron
- Giraffes** - Eva
- Lions** - Aleksandra
- Treefrogs** - Ryder
- Macaws** - Shaanav
- Crocodiles** - Danilo
- Leopards** - Isabella
- Monkeys** - Kelsey
- Toucans** - Nora

### Woolworths Earn & Learn Update

Our whole school goal for 2019 is 30,000 and they are to be collected by **the 25th June**. This program gives schools the chance to earn new educational resources.



Make a difference for our school

- Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding tobacco, liquor and gift cards).
  - Bring the stickers into school & place them into the collection box in the office foyer, or place stickers onto a sticker collection sheet. Once it's complete, pop it into a Collection Box at your school or local store.
- Thank you for sticking together!



### Breakfast Club

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

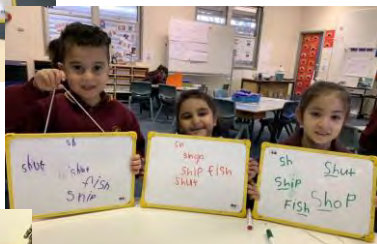
# Classroom Chat with .....

## K Meerkats

Wow! What a busy and exciting Term 2 we have had in K Meerkats. We enjoy starting our day with our crunch 'n' sip and our morning routine. We love completing our phonics activities every day and we are improving so much with our writing! Today we got to host our very first assembly and we have been so excited to share our performances and to talk into the microphone. On Wednesday we cannot believe that we get to go on our very first bus ride as a class and head off to the Athletics Carnival. We can't wait to see what all the activities and games will be. We have been working hard on our maths and we have learnt our friends of 10 and how to subtract from 10. Most recently we have been learning all about hefting to work out if objects are heavy or light. We have almost been at school for half a year now which has gone by so quickly. Time flies when you are having fun learning in K Meerkats!

Until next time,

Mrs McEachran and the Meerkats.



## 6 Eagles

We have done so many exciting things using technology this term! Some things we have particularly enjoyed are coding the Ozobots, learning how to navigate Spheros by playing mini soccer and learning all the features on the Minecraft Education app so we can begin coding our worlds very shortly.

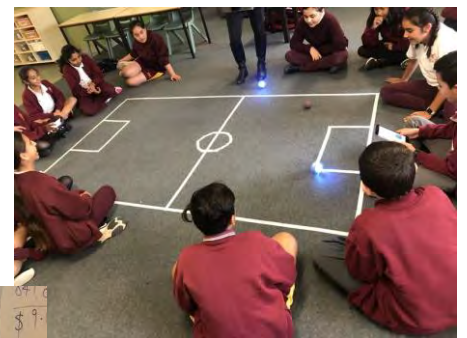
Our novel study, Two Wolves, is particularly interesting as we are beginning to solve the mystery which we have been following and analysing as we discuss the chapters. We are getting into the last few chapters and we cannot wait to see what happens next.

Throughout our History studies this term, we have been using Google slides as a tool to present our research on the Eureka Stockade and the Gold Rush.

We are very proud of our commercials that we produced using iMovie to persuade an audience earlier this term. Our hard work paid off after collaborating during planning, rehearsing and organising resources to make them such a success. The greatest feeling was when we could share them on SeeSaw with our families.

Until next time,

6 Eagles.





# Spotlight on Learning



Our students in 3 jellyfish are building their reading stamina.



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

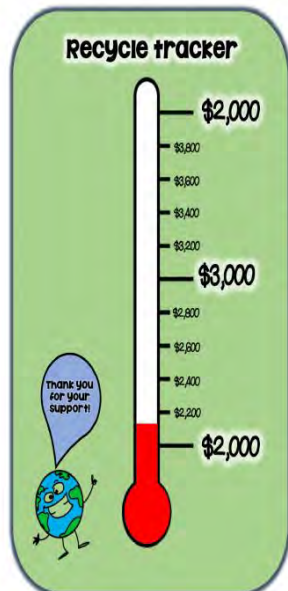
The app is **FREE** to download.

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



## Recycle warrior News

Thank you to all of our RECYCLE WARRIORS for your donations. Remember bring in a bag of recycling to go in the draw to win movie tickets!



Thank you for your support  
**WE'VE RAISED OVER \$2,000!**



**\*DON'T FORGET\***  
Recycle Friday  
Bring in your recycling

Come and join Mrs Mitchell  
for  
Toddler Reading Group  
Every Monday in the library at 9am

Parents and carers must attend, assist and be responsible for their child at all times.

## GARDENING CLUB NEWS

It has been another exciting week at Gardening Club. We harvested our first crop of snow peas and parsley from our vegetable garden and gave to Mrs Van Der Meulen to taste.

\*\* If you have any plants or pots that you would like to donate, it would be greatly appreciated \*\*





10-14  
JULY

CASULA  
POWERHOUSE  
ARTS CENTRE

# WOW

WAY OUT WEST FESTIVAL

FOR  
AGES  
0-15

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FOR AGES 0-15

The 2019 **Way Out West (WOW) Festival for Young People** aged 0-15 years is a five-day event held in one of Australia's most unique arts centres, the Casula Powerhouse. Dive into a packed program of theatre, interactive installations, dance, music, literature, food, yoga, workshops and **FREE** family events guaranteed to inspire joy, creativity and curiosity.

# WOW

The WOW Festival believes that the arts should be **FOR** children as well as **BY** children. This year at the WOW Festival, children and young people take over the art centre as they share their stories and ideas about the world they live in.

[WWW.WAYOUTWESTFESTIVAL.COM.AU](http://WWW.WAYOUTWESTFESTIVAL.COM.AU)

#WOWCASULA

LIVERPOOL  
CITY  
COUNCIL





# Winter School Holiday Activities



## Check out our school holiday activities for primary school students

Students will receive an interactive presentation on banknote security features and get a sneak peek at the new uncirculated \$20 banknote. They will also be taken on a guided journey through the Museum and learn about the history of Australia.

Sessions for Kindergarten – Year 2  
Monday 8th July, 10.00am – 11.30am  
Wednesday 10th July, 10.00am – 11.30am  
Friday 12th July, 10.00am – 11.30am

Sessions for Year 3 – Year 6  
Monday 8th July, 1.00pm – 2.30pm  
Wednesday 10th July, 1.00pm – 2.30pm  
Friday 12th July, 1.00pm – 2.30pm



### Cost: Free

Registrations of interest are now open. To register your child please visit the Museum Website

[www.museum.rba.gov.au/events](http://www.museum.rba.gov.au/events)

### Important Information:

Offers for attendance to School Holiday sessions will be sent 5-10 business days out from the event. As this is a highly subscribed event we cannot guarantee all registrations will be offered a place for this school holiday period.

Email: [museum@rba.gov.au](mailto:museum@rba.gov.au)

Phone: (02) 9551 9743

Ground Floor, 65 Martin Place  
Sydney NSW 2000



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# The simplest way

... to make winter warming snacks.

During winter, after a long day at school, kids come home ready for a nice warm snack. Here are some simple, healthy snacks to warm and satisfy tummies.



- Creamed corn on wholemeal toast
- Baked beans on an English muffin
- Bowl of vegetable soup (try pumpkin or potato and leek)
- [Stewed apples and sultanas](#)
- Toasted cheese and tomato sandwich
- [Banana pikelets](#)
- [Zucchini and cheese hash brown cups](#)
- Porridge with pear

**For these recipes and more visit**  
[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

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