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Preston West Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 1st November 2018

IMPORTANT DATES

November

Monday 5th

Curriculum Day (No school this day)

Tuesday 6th

Melbourne Cup Day (No school this day)

Tuesday 13th

Grade 2 Edendale Farm Excursion

Thursday 15th

Grade 1 ACMI Excursion

Tuesday 20th – 23rd

Grade 2 Swimming

Friday 23rd

Grade 5I & 5J Old Melbourne Gaol Excursion

Tuesday 27th – 30th

Grade 2 Swimming

Wednesday 28th

Grade 5H & 5V Old Melbourne Gaol Excursion

December

Friday 21st

LAST DAY OF TERM 4 – Dismissal 1:00pm

Term Dates

Term 4 Monday 8th October – Friday 21st December

Principal's Note

National Maths Competition

The results of Preston West Primary School students in the Maths Competition were very pleasing. Overall our students received the following awards 29 participation, 9 merit, 43 credit, 26 distinction and 5 high distinction. The students from Grades 2 and 3 will receive their awards at assembly on Monday 19th November and presentations to Grade 4-6 students will take place Monday 26th November. Congratulations to all, the students for their enthusiastic participation and to Amra Hegic and Melissa Besford for coordinating the competition.

Prep Orientation

Our first Prep Orientation session proved to be a great success yesterday afternoon. Special thanks to our Prep staff Ben Corns, Wendy Price, Hilary Clarke, Adrijana Lukic and Leesa Di Benedetto for coordinating the activities. On Wednesday 14th November the students will take their next step towards schooling by working independently in the classrooms with teachers, whilst their parents attend an information session in the gymnasium. The highlight of our orientation program will be the Teddy Bears Picnic on Wednesday 21st November.

Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th November – No school

Just a reminder to parents that there will be no school for children on Monday 5th or Tuesday 6th November. Monday 5th November is a Report Writing Day for staff (forth pupil free day of 2018) and Tuesday 6th November is Melbourne Cup Day. I hope our Preston West families enjoy the long weekend.

Cheryl Bondeson

JSC

The JSC will be selling poppies for Remembrance Day in the quadrangle at lunchtime from Monday the 22nd of October. The badges range from \$1 to \$5. So, if you would like to buy a commemorative poppy, please remember to bring along some money.

GARDEN LUNCH TIME CLUB

The garden club runs Tuesdays at lunch time - 1.05-1.30.

We are running planting specifically for each level to try and make sure interested children can have a turn with their age group. The regular garden helpers are always welcome – plenty of worms to find, weeds to pull out and watering to do!

DATE	GROUP PLANTING	ACTIVITY
Tuesday 13th November	Prep/Grade 1	Herbs/Flowers Mosaics/painting
Tuesday 20th November	Grade 2 Lettuce	Mosaics/painting
Tuesday 27th November	Grade 3 Succulents	Mosaics letters
Tuesday 13th November	Grade 4 Silver beet	Mosaics star shape
Tuesday 13th November	Grade 5 Berries	Mosaics flower shape
Tuesday 13th November	Grade 6 Edible natives	Mosaics numbers

A garden bed is usually left empty so classes have easy use of the garden when wanted. Succulents can easily be removed to clear additional beds if needed. We are very flexible with the lunchtime club so it does not interfere with class activities. We want the garden to be used by all!

Donations of plants/cuttings/seeds/old tiles/watering cans/buckets are welcome – but please email pwpsparentclub@gmail.com to arrange drop off or collection. If you would like to become part of this team - just email/pass on a note to the office or see Ms Bowker.

GENERAL OFFICE INFORMATION

SCHOOL FEES: If you have any outstanding school fees for 2018 it would be appreciated if you could forward payment asap. If you need to contact the office you can do so on 9470 1546.

WELCOME TO PARENTS/CARERS GROUP

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Fresh Fruit Friday volunteers for Friday 2nd November are: Kasey Gibson, Soma Guha, Daniela Cagliarini, Vicki Persic and Kathryn Li.

SICK BAY BEDDING

Our volunteer for Friday 2nd November is Yannan Wang.

**Thank
You**

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Second hand school uniform items can be **donated/purchased** at an active local community Op Shop called; **Helping Hands Mission, 66-68 Oakover Rd, Preston.** Open every weekday 10am -4pm.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR #DEMOCRACYSAUSAGE

Thank you for all volunteers for the #democracysausage sizzle on Sat November 24. We still have limited spots left in the following time slots.

- 12-2 pm
- 2-4 pm

We are also looking for donations for the baked goods sale (cupcakes, slices and biscuits, clearly labeled with ingredients). Baked goods can be dropped off on election day. If you are able to volunteer for one of the above times or donate to the baked good sale, please email Bo via email bo.li3072@gmail.com by Friday November 9.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week ending 26/10/2018

Congratulations to the following students, who were presented with their awards.



GRADE	"LEARN"	BOUNCE BA CK
Prep C	Sarina Hasan	Ivy Collyer
Prep D	Aileen Zhang	Ivy Raspin
Prep H	Whole Class	Adriana Cocco
Prep L	Ayla Ismail	Wayne Wang
Prep W	Whole Class	Jacob Percy
1B	Whole Class	Obi McGregor
1E	Whole Class	Ibraheem Mohammed
1K	Harley Utting	Hamza Herek
1N	Whole Class	Molly Dawson
1W	Freddie Parker	Bnan Said
2A	Nik Koutsivos	Lucas Casey
2B	Whole Class	Will Ralph-Thornely
2J	Athan Dimas	Hazel Raspin
2M	Nikola Nicevski	Evan Mesic
3B	Whole Class	Andy Lin
3F	Stirling Fairfax	Whole Class
3I	Claudia Boxer	Whole Class
3P	Charikleia Melissaki	Felix Welsby
4B	Whole Class	Holly Grbac
4E	Luella Napolitano	
4K	Daniel Ly	Whole Class
4M	Sam Jordan	Lucas Brain
5H	Finn O'Farrell	Bylsan Said
5I	Cienna Jones-Umina	Ave Lesslie
5J	Isaac Brasier	Whole Class
5V	Chloe Bellchambers	Whole Class
6O	Sunny O'Mahony	Whole Class
6N	Klejdi Lame	Binul Amarasekara
6T	Darren Pokanau	Alyssa Kolivas
PE	Josh Cullen 4M	

eLearning

BYO iPad Program Parent -Information Sessions

This term I will be hosting three information sessions for the BYO iPad Program. These sessions will inform parents of the 2019 Year 3 cohort (This year's Year 2s) of what the program is about, the requirements of the program, how to get your child involved and also give you a glimpse into how iPads are used in the classroom.

The next sessions will be held on the following dates:

- November 12th at 2:30pm
- November 13th at 6:00pm

If you are interested in coming along to one of the sessions please register your interest [here](#).

If you are after any information prior to these dates, please feel free to email me or even visit me on a Monday.

BYO iPad Purchasing Plan for 2019

As the end of 2018 draws near, we look forward to 2019 and all it holds for us. For next year's Year 3 cohort, they look at the exciting prospect of being part of the BYO iPad Program. If you and your child would like to be part of the program, then all you need is an iPad no older than the iPad Air 2 or Mini 4 (We recommend the 2017 iPad as a minimum to make sure your child's device makes it to the end of Year 6). You can use a pre-existing iPad from home, purchase a new or used iPad or sign onto the school's iPad Purchase Plan.

The purchasing plan is a great option for families that do not want to commit to the investment of a new iPad due to the initial outlay in cost. For this reason, Preston West Primary have been working with Beyond the Box to supply devices at educational pricing.

Please know that this option is available to all students in Year 3 to 6.

The 2019 packages include:

<p>Package 1: iPad and Case</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Apple iPad (6th Gen, 2018)<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Wi-Fio 32GB of internal storageo Space Grey - MacGuy Survival Case <p>Total price of \$480.70</p> <p>\$100 deposit by November 19, 2018, followed by monthly instalments of \$31.73 via Direct Debit.</p>	<p>Package 2: iPad and Case with keyboard</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Apple iPad (6th Gen, 2018)<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Wi-Fio 32GB of internal storageo Space Grey - MacGuy Defender Key 2 Case <p>Total price of \$544.70</p> <p>\$100 deposit by November 19, 2018, followed by monthly instalments of \$37.06 via Direct Debit.</p>
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Please note that this year we are **not** offering the extra service of engraving due to delays in delivery time.

If you are interested in this package please contact myself or speak to the office as orders, with deposits, need to be confirmed by **Friday 19th of November, 2018**.

Regards,

Luke Begg
Leading Teacher for eLearning