

# Preston West Post

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Preston West Primary School Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### JUNE

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup>

*Monday 12<sup>th</sup>*

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>

**FRIDAY 30<sup>th</sup>**

Grade 4 Lake Dewar Camp

*Queen's Birthday Public Holiday*

Division Cross Country

Three Way Conferences – No students at school on this day

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Term 2 (2:30pm dismissal)**

### Term Dates

**Term 2 Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

**Term 3 Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

**Term 4 Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

## Principal's Note

### Year 4 Camp

The Year 4 campers in Myrning (Lake Dewar) are having a fabulous time. The staff and students are thoroughly enjoying and appreciating their experiences and all is going exceptionally well. Their agenda over the three days includes a rotation of organised activities at the camp site including canoeing, archery, survivor challenge, campfire cooking, hut building, flying fox, adventure tunnelling, fun games and various night activities. The staff and students are sure to be exhausted after their week and I am sure families are eagerly waiting to hear their stories. We are anticipating they will arrive back at school around 3pm tomorrow afternoon.

### School Pantry

Our school canteen will be closed between Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July and lunch orders will not be available during this time. Please ensure students bring along lunches from home throughout this period.

### Queen's Birthday - Long Weekend

There is no school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June due to the long weekend. The next whole school assembly will be conducted on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. I hope everyone enjoys a terrific Queen's Birthday long weekend.

### Staff Leave

Tina Stapmanns will be on long service leave for the last 3 weeks on Term 2, commencing Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June and the Italian program will be taught by Anna Bell. Special thanks to Mark Ross for doing a wonderful job in my role during my three weeks leave and also to Sue Moossajee, Adrijana Lukic and Jamie Andronikos for stepping into the acting assistant principal role for a week each.

### Pupil Free Day – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August

Just a forewarning to parents that Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August is a pupil free day. The staff are undertaking a day of professional learning.

### Yard Supervision

Just a reminder to our parents that staff supervise students in the yard between 8.45 – 9.00am before school and between 3.30 – 3.45pm after school. Therefore, I recommend students do not arrive at school unless they are supervised by a parent before 8.45am and they must be collected by 3.45pm in the afternoon.

## Grade 2 Zoo Excursion feedback

I acknowledge what a fantastic school community we have and know our wonderful students are our greatest strength. It's also pleasing to hear positive feedback from other community members such as the email I received below from The Educational Officer of the Melbourne Zoo following the Grade 2 excursion yesterday.

*To the Principal,*

*I felt compelled to send some positive feedback about your year 2 students, teachers and parent helpers after yesterday's Wild Explorer education sessions. My colleagues and I all commented on what a delightful group of students they were, they were cooperative, respectful, excitable and yet highly engaged. As you can imagine we see a huge number of students from across the state, Government, Catholic and Independent schools and they were an exceptional group.*

*Congratulations to you and your school community.*

**Cheryl Bondeson**

## eLearning

### eConnect Resources for Parents

In last week's newsletter I let parents know that I would pass on the T.H.I.N.K poster and "Top 10 Tips" once I received them from the Alannah and Madeline Foundation. Please see the following pages for these documents. You can also access these resources within the "eLearning Information" folder found on the Compass "School Documentation" page.



#### T.H.I.N.K

Before You...

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**THINK**

**T** = Is it True?  
**H** = Is it Helpful?  
**I** = Is it Inspiring?  
**N** = Is it Necessary?  
**K** = Is it Kind?

## Top Ten Tips

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| <b>1</b>  | Create an 'Acceptable Use Agreement' for your families using the 3Cs to facilitate conversation – <b>contact, content, conduct</b> . Ensure that children are involved with this process.                  |
| <b>2</b>  | Set up safe search & security controls with a platform (such as OpenDNS, NetNanny, K9) or speak with your internet service provider (such as Telstra, Optus, Vodafone, Dodo, etc).                         |
| <b>3</b>  | Agree on where computers, laptops & mobile devices can be used in the home (such as in bedrooms, lounge rooms, etc).   |
| <b>4</b>  | Lights out = wifi off.   |
| <b>5</b>  | Agree on screen time use; decide on 'screen free' times during the day and night.  |
| <b>6</b>  | Get involved – show an interest in what your child is doing online.  |
| <b>7</b>  | Talk to your child's teacher/s and school.   |
| <b>8</b>  | If your child reports an issue to you, don't threaten to take away their device – this may force them to become secretive.   |
| <b>9</b>  | Learn how various social network/game services work. Use websites such as the 'Games, Apps & Social Networking' from the eSafety Office.   |
| <b>10</b> | Tell children not to respond to any cyberbullying threats or comments online. Do not delete any of the messages – take screen shots as evidence & keep records to verify and prove there is cyberbullying. |

# HOW TO REPORT CYBERBULLYING MATERIAL



1

Report the cyberbullying material to the social media service



2

Collect evidence - copy URLs or take screenshots of the material

**If the content is not removed within 48 hours**



3

Report it to  
[esafety.gov.au/reportcyberbullying](https://esafety.gov.au/reportcyberbullying)



4

Block the person and talk to someone you trust

If you are in immediate danger, call 000 (triple zero)

If you need to talk to someone, visit [kidshelpline.com.au](https://kidshelpline.com.au) or call them on 1800 65 1800, 24 hours a day 7 days a week

## GENERAL OFFICE INFORMATION

**SCHOOL FEES:** The School Fees were due Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

Reminder letters have been sent out for outstanding fees. If you need to discuss these payments please contact the office.

**CSEF PAYMENT:** If you applied for the CSEF funding and your application was successful, this money has now been credited to your account for sports, excursions and camps. Please print off any forms and write **CSEF** on it so we can process this in the office.

If you have not applied for the CSEF payment but hold a current Health Care Card please fill out and return the form **by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June**. The form is available from the office.

## Premier Reading Challenge

The Premiers' Reading Challenge (PRC) has commenced for students in Prep to Grade 6. **Students in Grades Prep to Grade 2 need to read or have read to them, 30 books (20 of which are in the challenge book list). Students in Grades 3 to 6 need to read 15 books, (10 must be from the challenge book list).**

The challenge finishes on the 8<sup>th</sup> September. All registered students will need to have **finished** reading their required number of books and the completed list sent back to school no later than Monday the 28th August.

The Premiers' Reading Challenge booklist is available for download and printing from the PRC website. The website is:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/booklist.aspx>

**PLEASE NOTE:** Only **one** of the forms needs to be completed. The two forms that have been added to Compass under **School Documentation**.

- **Premier's Reading Challenge – Online Honour Roll Consent:** This form needs to be completed **ONLY** if you would like your child's name to appear on the Online Honour Roll when the PRC has been completed.
- **Premier's Reading Challenge – School participation:** Please complete this form if you would like your child to take part in the reading challenge but **NOT** have their name published on the Premiers' Reading Challenge Online Honour Roll.

**When your child has finished reading the required number of books, please return the completed list to school for the books to be verified.**

Happy Reading!

Karen Attrill and Melissa Besford

Premiers' Reading Challenge Coordinators

## SCHOOL PANTRY (School Canteen)

Orders and money (written on a paper bag) will be placed in a container in the classroom before 9.15am and delivered to the canteen. To contact Marina you can catch up with her in person at the school kitchen on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** or email [schoolpantry@icloud.co](mailto:schoolpantry@icloud.co)



## SCHOOL UNIFORM - PSW

PSW  
Unit 2, 283 Rex Road,  
Campbellfield Vic 3061  
Phone: 03 9768 0337

Online sales - <http://www.psw.com.au/retail/default.aspx>

## WELCOME TO PARENTS GROUP

### FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Volunteers for Fresh Fruit on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June are: Michelle Wade, Eman Abaza, Brett Dellavedova, Vicki Persic and Sarah Bellchambers.

Thank  
You

### SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking is on Tuesdays. If you would like your child to participate in the School Banking Program, please collect an information pack and application form from your local Commonwealth Bank or apply online.

### THE PARENTS & FRIENDS CLUB

It is open to parents/carers of children attending the school. Weekly gatherings provide an informal opportunity for parents to have conversations, coordinate fundraising endeavours throughout the year and support the School Council and Junior School Council in community based events and special days on the Preston West school calendar. If you like to be kept in the loop of things, please email [pwpsparentclub@gmail.com](mailto:pwpsparentclub@gmail.com) with your email address.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week ending 02/06/2017

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

| GRADE   | "LEARN"             | BOUNCE BACK          |
|---------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Prep C  | Anson Hui           | Tom Tottman          |
| Prep K  | Mia Paschos         | Levi Boyle           |
| Prep L  | Harley Utting       | Prihan Said          |
| Prep W  | Max Cocco           | Kevin Lin            |
| 1B      | Samuel Pingitore    | Julia Thomson        |
| 1C      | Francesca Beck      | Marcus Wang          |
| 1E      | Emaan Ather         | Alyssia Bilney       |
| 1M      | Isabella Roath      | Finn Howden          |
| 1W      | Elsa Kuut           | Minh Dao             |
| 2A      | Milla Nicola        | Maisah Al Balouchi   |
| 2B      | Claudia Boxer       | Rodrigo Diaz Alarcon |
| 2J      | Adam Dimitriou      | Atlas Thomas         |
| 2M      | Andy Lin            | Om Nair              |
| 3B      | Charlie Grbac       | Annalise Pingitore   |
| 3D      | Sebastian Yu        | Samindi Fernando     |
| 3P      | Sophia Thai         | Greta Carpenter      |
| 3W      | Holly Grbac         | Alana Lauina         |
| 4K      | Stefan Nedelkovski  | Finn Kennedy         |
| 4M      | Amelie Kehle        | Isaac Brasier        |
| 4W      | Selesa Vaelaa       | Daniel Saccuzzo      |
| 5H      | Akram Ali           | Alannah Pollard      |
| 5I      | Jay Conadis         | Keira Jeffers        |
| 5J      | Che Sucksmith       | Elijah Morris        |
| 5O      | Grady Brooks        | Sienna Quattrone     |
| 6N      | Belinda Tian        | Blake Ivanov         |
| 6S      | Yani Nasis          | Zephyr Renzow        |
| 6T      | Tilly MacCartney    | Noah Napolitano      |
| ART     | Ishaq Hassan 3P     |                      |
| MUSIC   | Isaac Cozis 1M      |                      |
| PHYS ED | Whole Class 6N      |                      |
| ITALIAN | Alishba Choudhry 5H |                      |

