

# Preston West Post

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Preston West Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017

## IMPORTANT DATES

### NOVEMBER

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Curriculum Day – (No School)**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Melbourne Cup Day – (No School)**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Prep Orientation – Session 3 Final Session (11:40am)**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Grade 3/4 Regional Hoop Time**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Grade 3/4 Soccer Competition**

### DECEMBER

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**LAST DAY OF TERM 4 – 1:00PM Dismissal**

## Term Dates

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

## Principal's Note

### Art Show

What a spectacular Art Show event we all enjoyed together as a community last Thursday evening. The quality, originality and displays of artwork were amazing and it was fantastic to hear the highly positive feedback that was generated from families. Our wonderful student pianists did a great job on stage entertaining the crowds as did our dance group, rock bands and staff item. Special thanks and congratulations to Jamie Andronikos and his committee for coordinating a highly successful Art Show and to Desley Chappel for leading the musical performances. Last Thursday was certainly a testament to the fantastic specialist programs and extra curricula activities we have operating at Preston West Primary School. It proved a highly successful community event and I thank all our families for their support, enthusiasm, attendance and words of high praise following the event.

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November – No school

Just a reminder to parents that there will be no school for children on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November is a Report Writing Day for staff and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November is Melbourne Cup Day. I hope our Preston West families enjoy the long weekend.

### Prep Orientation

Yesterday we had the second Prep orientation session and the students enjoyed spending time in the classrooms with staff. Parents participated in an information session in the gymnasium which provided an overview of our school, programs and expectations of preps. The program concludes next week with the Teddy Bears Picnic, which is always the highlight of the Prep Transition. Next Wednesday the 2018 Prep students will also meet their buddies from Grades 5 and 6. We are very grateful to our current parents who speak so highly of our school and recommend it to prospective parents. This is always evident when you speak to the new parents who highlight the positive comments made by current parents.

### Yard Duty Supervision

Teachers supervise in the yard from 8.45am in the morning and up until 3.45 pm in the afternoon. Parents are responsible for supervising their children outside of these times. Children are only to be in the yard prior to 8.45am and after 3.45 pm if supervised by a parent/carer.

## Grades 2018

In the coming weeks teachers will begin the grade allocation process for 2018. This process seeks to ensure that the grades formed for next year are balanced in terms of academic, gender and social mix. In addition teachers use their knowledge of friendship groups as another factor in the placement of children. Teachers in area teams use a pro-forma to place children according to their overall academic abilities and behaviour. Students are also asked to identify friends they would like to be in a classroom with – we try to have all children in a grade with at least one of their friendship selections. A computer program (Class Creator) is then utilised to form the initial grade groupings. The initial lists are then reviewed by staff with knowledge and experience with these children to ensure that the social and academic mix is also appropriate. If you have special considerations regarding grade placements for your child next year could you please arrange a time to meet with myself or Mark Ross to discuss them. As per previous years individual teacher requests will not be considered. Students will be informed of their grade placements for 2018 and their teacher at the Promotional Parade on Wednesday 20th December.

## BASCP – Current Families attending our service in 2017

Families currently using our BASCP service will need to attend a re enrolment session

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 6-7pm or**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 6-7pm**

In the BASCP room.

## Victorian Jui Jitsa Championships

Congratulations to Selesa Vaelaa for receiving a gold medal over the weekend at the Victorian Jui –Jitsu Championships. An outstanding effort Selesa, especially considering she was competing above her weight range.

## Cheryl Bondeson

## eLearning

### 2018 BYO iPad Program Information

This term there will be three information sessions for parents that are interested in the 2018 BYO iPad Program. This information will be specifically relevant to this year's Grade 2 cohort as they enter Year 3 in 2018, however any interested parents of students in years 4 – 6 are more than welcome to come along.

#### Term 4 session times:

- Week 5: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> of November at 2:45pm
- Week 6: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> of November at 6:00pm (Evening Session)

The information session aims to help you understanding the following:

- What the BYO iPad Program is.
- How you can enrol your child into the program.
- The prerequisites of the iPad Program.
- How the devices will be used to assist your child in their learning.
- Work and activity examples.

If you are interested in attending these sessions, please click on the following link and fill out the form. This will give me an idea of attendance for each session.

<https://goo.gl/forms/k685Q6rIXxbzN1uG3>

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week ending 27/10/2017

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

GRADE	"LEARN"	BOUNCE BACK
Prep C	Anson Hui	Zac Mohamed
Prep I	Obi McGregor	Indigo Thompson
Prep K	Tinura Fonseka	Eli Pereira
Prep L	Angus Draper	Louis Bell
Prep W	Emma Serratore	Kevin Lin
1B	Zoe Papadimitriou	Jake Gray
1C	Estelle Chatzis	Luka Cindric
1E	Hazel Raspin	Emaan Ather
1M	Nikola Nicevski	Isaac Cozis
1W	Ruby Clemons	Juzer Udaipur Wala
2A	Eno Zhang	Maisah Al Balouchi
2B	Hanna Gouvousis	Kamal Atosh
2J	Avni Mansukhani	Bhumikha Rana
2M	Michael Roberts	Ela McGregor
3B	Claudine Agius	Blaise Kramer White
3D	Navpreet Kaur	Sebastian Yu
3P	Ollie Jirovec	Willow Renzow
3W	Lucas Brain	Maggie O'Bree
4F	Mannat Bhambri	Isabella Aitkin
4K	Lucas Medina	Emilia Lambiase
4M	Maya Macuha	Hugh Van Herk
4W	Sage Ristevski	Alexander Kolivas
5H	Rania Atosh	Jamie Batten Lawrence
5I	Luca Mariani	
5J	Elijah Morris	Matthew Pulice
6N	Chloe Zuccala	Peri Lambiase
6S	Nandun Fernando	Kaisha Thompson
ART	Whole School	
ITALIAN	Dion Zhaku PC	
PE	Sierra Zenel 1W	



## GENERAL OFFICE INFORMATION

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

If you need to discuss these payments please contact the office.

## SCHOOL PANTRY (School Canteen) – Please note – Updated Menu for Term 4

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.com](mailto:schoolpantry@icloud.com)



### FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Fresh Fruit volunteers for Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November are: Vicki Persic, Brett Dellavedova, Sarah Clemons, George Markoski and Menaka Kumari Rajapaksha Gedara.

**Fresh Fruit Friday** is seeking extra volunteers to help continue this successful nutrition program for the remainder of this year. If you have a Working with Children Check and can spare an hour on Friday morning to cut up fruit in the school kitchen and deliver fruit platters to classrooms... once a fortnight, month or term - we would welcome your assistance! Please email

[pwpfreshfruitfriday@gmail.com](mailto:pwpfreshfruitfriday@gmail.com) with your details.

Thank you, Sarah & Kathryn

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

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### 1<sup>st</sup> Reservoir Scout Group

Scouting is a rewarding and welcoming experience, regardless of your age, gender, or any previous experience in the global Scouting movement. School age children can join a local group and enjoy a journey of up to 25 years through the different sections, which each have their own age-appropriate activities and colour-coded uniforms. Or first-timers can join at any point along the way.

1<sup>st</sup> Reservoir Scout Group has sections in: Joey Scouts (5-8 Years), Cub Scouts (8-11 Years), Scouts (11-14 Years) and Venturers (14-17 Years).

### JOEY SCOUTS 5-8 YEARS

Joey Scouts meet each week as a Joey Scout Mob and wear their Section's uniform. They also earn badges through their activities. The highest achievement in the Joey Scout section is the Promise Challenge award.

For our youngest members, the Joey Scout program nurtures a deeper understanding of the world around them, with a growing awareness of their surroundings and nature, by getting out and about in the community.

Come'n Try

Fridays, 6.45pm - 7.45pm (during school term)

1<sup>st</sup> Reservoir Scout Hall  
Leamington Street (behind Edwardes Lake Park)  
Reservoir Vic 3073

For more information, call Kathryn Li 0402 298128  
or visit [www.reservoirscouts.com](http://www.reservoirscouts.com)

