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Preston West Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 21st December 2017

IMPORTANT DATES

DECEMBER

Friday 22nd

LAST DAY OF TERM 4 – 1:00PM Dismissal

Term Dates

Term 4 Monday 9th October – Friday 22nd December

2018

Term 1 Wednesday 31st January (Grade 1-6) – Thursday 29th March

2018 Preps commence Thursday 1st February 2018

Principal's Note

Thank You to the Preston West Primary School Community

Thank you to the school community for the terrific support throughout 2017. It's certainly been a productive, hard working year for staff, students and community with many special events. Excursions, camps and extra curricular activities have added much excitement and lasting memories. Our school continued with its highly successful curriculum, additional and support programs which are engaging and extend the students' knowledge and skills. I thank the excellent staff for their enthusiasm and commitment throughout the year and have greatly appreciated all the extras they have performed in the aim of promoting greater opportunities and engagement for the students. I congratulate all staff for the contribution they have made to our community throughout 2017. I would personally like to thank Mark Ross, Kim Purchase, Adriana Oliva, Bernie Wachinger and Megan Nichols for their support, dedicated efforts and tireless work. As the first point of communication and contact with the school the office staff are a huge asset to Preston West Primary.

Special thanks to all the parents who have actively supported and contributed to our school. To our School Council members (Bo Li, Mick Paskos, Anna Bell, Julie Vinci, Kevin O'Leary, David Bellchambers, Ann-Marie Drakos, Adrijana Lukic, Luke Begg and Mark Ross) we thank you for all your leadership and hard work this year. In particular I would acknowledge the contribution made by Bo Li our School Council president. Bo is a tremendous advocate for our school and represents the best interests for all community members. Many thanks to the Parent's Club for their organisation of a range of fundraising activities. Their efforts throughout the year have ensured the continuation of Fresh Fruit Friday and an extension to our stage. To the many parents, grandparents and community members who have helped with guided reading, sporting activities, Fresh Fruit Friday, working bees, sick bay linen, special food days, school banking, lunchtime clubs and the quadranglers— your support has been greatly appreciated. We had the opportunity to thank our parent helpers at a special morning tea early in December for their generous and most appreciated support. Just a reminder that any parent/community volunteers must have Working With Children's Checks to assist in any capacity across the school.

The efforts of Nicole Scherzer, Mary Seriotis and their Before and After School team has been greatly appreciated. The program they coordinate and wide range of activities is loved by the students and the care, encouragement and support the staff display is terrific.

To our Grade 6 students we wish you a successful future. You have been a wonderful group of young people and we feel lucky to have been part of your learning journey. The staff look forward to catching up with you next year to hear about your successful transition to secondary school. The students did themselves proud at last weeks Graduation and disco and I am confident they are having a great day today at their Big Day Out at Funfields - a terrific way to finalise their last week at primary school.

The last congratulations and special thank you is directed to our core business – our fabulous students. The most rewarding part of my job is visiting classrooms seeing engaged, enthusiastic students producing work of an extremely high quality. When walking throughout the school, I continue to be impressed by their application to and standards of work, creativity, friendships and their determination to achieve their best results. Thank you to our House Captains, Vice Captains, Behaviour Buddies, Environmental Monitors, Laptop/iPad Monitors and Junior School Council for their efforts and great role modelling to others in all facets of school.

Student Reports – Grade 6 and students leaving PWPS

Students reports were made active for parents to access via Compass on Monday. It is imperative that parents of our Grade 6's and also those students leaving Preston West Primary this year print off or download the reports. When exiting families are transferred to a new school the parent access to Compass at Preston West will cease.

Staff Roles 2018

Yesterday we conducted our Promotion Parade whereby students spent a session with their 2018 class and teacher. The following staffing arrangements will occur for 2018:

Prep	Room 1	Leesa Di Benedetto
Prep	Room 2	Adrijana Lukic
Prep	Room 4	Hilary Clarke
Prep	Room 5	Wendy Price
Prep	Room 6	Ben Corns
Year 1	Room 13	Chloe Watt
Year 1	Room 14	Edie Kulafi
Year 1	Room 15	Holly King
Year 1	Room 15A	Sarah Nisi
Year 1	Room 17	Jennifer Bowker
Year 2	Room 9	Adam Bennetts
Year 2	Room 10	Sue Moossajee
Year 2	Room 11	Jess Merlo
Year 2	Room 12	Karen Attrill
Year 3	Room 34	Leah French
Year 3	Room 35	Ella Pillay
Year 3	Room 36	Luke Begg
Year 3	Room 37	Elizabeth Ilia
Year 4	Room 26	Marko Krstcivic
Year 4	Room 27	Melissa Besford
Year 4	Room 29	Ellenor Miller
Year 4	Room 30	Kat Kettle
Year 5	Room 22	Amra Hegic
Year 5	Room 23	Velena Voglis
Year 5	Rom 24	Matt Jobson
Year 5	Room 25	Ingrid McCarthy
Year 6	Room 20	Grant Tobin
Year 6	Room 21	Erin Raghavan
Year 6	Room 32	Tess Norton
Year 6	Room 33	Anita O'Leary

Our additional program teaching staff include Desley Chappel, Jamie Andronikos, Tina Stapmanns, Ainslee Watkins, Rita Dib, Bree Robertson, Sam Burnett and Walter Bilic.

Our Leading Teachers at Preston West Primary are Sue Moossajee (Mathematics), Adrijana Lukic (Literacy), Luke Begg (eLearning) and Chloe Watt (Assessment/Reporting). Sue, Luke, Adrijana and Chloe will be out of their classrooms one day a week to undertake their role to promote programs, resources, staff knowledge and student outcomes in English, Numeracy and eLearning.

In the office for 2018 we have Kim Purchase, Adriana Oliva, Bernie Wachinger and Megan Nichols. Our Educational Support staff include Brenda Steer, Michael De Bortoli, Deb Robey, Nola Chatterton, Jacinta Thomas, Cathy Porter and Joanne Agar. Carol Seneca is our school first aid officer.

Staffing 2018

Libby Stewart will be leaving our staff team in 2018. I thank Libby for her commitment and to our students. She is an enthusiastic teacher who has worked hard with colleagues to drive improvement in student abilities. On behalf of the community, I wish Libby all the best for 2018 and beyond.

Final School Day for 2017

The final day for students will be tomorrow – Friday 22nd December. Students will be dismissed at 1pm. Children can bring along a snack to have at recess time (No Lunch orders on this day). Students will assembly in the gymnasium at 12.40pm for the final assembly of 2017.

Assembly 2018

The first assembly of 2018 will be conducted on Monday 12th February. Our priority on Monday 5th February will be to accommodate our Prep students in their classrooms on their third day of their schooling journey.

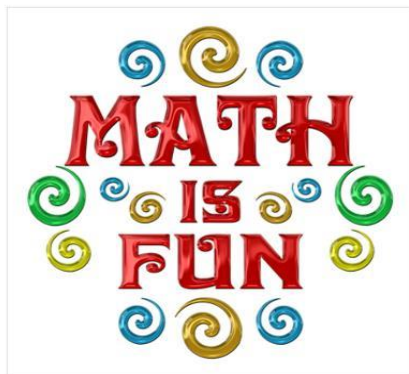
Happy Festive Season

The school as a whole has had another great year and I look forward to the achievements and highlights we can produce together throughout 2018. Wishing everyone a happy and safe festive season and holiday period with families and friends. We look forward in seeing our Grade 1 - 6 students on Wednesday 31st January and our Prep classes on Thursday 1st February.

Cheryl Bondeson

Mathletics Awards Term 4 2017

Congratulations to our P.W.P.S. Top Year Level Performers in Mathletics Term 4 2017



Prep	Tinura Fonseca
Grade 1	Massimo Pavone
Grade 2	Grace Liang
Grade 3	Joshua Stojanoski
Grade 4	Michael Santos
Grade 5	Tina Lin
Grade 6	Amalia Nalpantidis

WELCOME TO PARENTS GROUP

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

A big thank you to all the parents that have helped out with Fresh Fruit Friday this year, it is very much appreciated and so worthwhile for the children. Wishing everyone a good festive season and Fresh Fruit Friday program shall return in 2018.



SCHOOL BANKING

The School Banking Program team is urgently seeking a few more volunteers to help with the School Banking Program from Term 1, 2018. If you can spare 30 minutes every few weeks to help, please email Sally Quinan on sallyandmaxq@gmail.com or mobile 0411 420 817.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week ending 15/12/2017

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



GRADE	“LEARN”	BOUNCE BACK
Prep C	Whole Class	Whole Class
Prep I	Whole Class	Jay Sun
Prep K	Henrietta McArdle-Green	Levi Boyle
Prep L	Whole Class	Whole Class
Prep W	Whole Class	Polly Ho
1B	Whole Class	Whole Class
1C	Evan Mesic	Luke Cindric
1E	Ava O’Brien	Alyssia Bilney
1M	Kingson Chen	Yula Nakamura
1W	Evan Zhang	Sierra Zenel
2A	Ziyu Wang	Sheldon Zhang
2B	Luca Mascioli	Katerini Pagoniou
2J	Whole Class	Jonah Karavokiros
2M	Calvin Trembl	Ruby James
3B	Charlie Grbac	Pearl Elsey
3D	Samindi Fernando	Whole Class
3P	Whole Class	Ishaq Hassan
3W	Amy Lobos	Sara Ismail
4F	Brian Kim	Whole Class
4M	Zoe Tzouritis	Bylsan Said
4W	Alex Kolivas	Whole Class
5H	Alishba Choudhry	Xavier Madrigano
5I	Whole Class	Keira Jeffers
5J	Whole Class	Eva Tsichlis
5O	Whole Class	Hao Ning
6N	Whole Class	
6S	Vanesa Reategui Gutierrez	
6T	Josh Carelli	
ART	Alessia Monteneri	
PE	Hannah McMahon & Oliver Thomas 6T	
ITALIAN	Angelina Athanasiadis 4K	