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Preston West Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 25th May, 2017

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

Tuesday 30th Grade 1C, 1E & 1M Como House Excursion

Wednesday 31st Grade 1B & 1W Como House Excursion

JUNE

Thursday 1st Grade 3 – Leigh's Farmyard Friends Incursion

Thursday 1st Crazy Hair Day

Tuesday 6th Grade 2 – ZOO Excursion

Wednesday 7th – Friday 9th Grade 4 Lake Dewar Camp

Monday 12th Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 14th Division Cross Country

Wednesday 28th Three Way Conferences – No students at school on this day

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

Term Dates

Term 2 Tuesday 18th April – Friday 30th June

Term 3 Monday 17th July – Friday 22nd September

Term 4 Monday 9th October – Friday 22nd December

Principal's Note

This week is Education week. It started off with Alice Preshaw singing Advance Australia Fair at assembly backed by the Anthelettes. What a fantastic effort from a grade one student in front of such a large audience. In the afternoon the Grade 6's had a catch-up round of sport against Preston North East for the game they missed whilst we were on camp.

Our netball teams have the luxury of playing home games inside the gymnasium. Octavia didn't have to worry about the conditions when shooting. The girls played a tough match with Peri and Ginger fast around the court but PNE were too strong on the day for us. A different story with the B team having a good win.

The football team were playing at Zwar with a strong north wind blowing towards the city. Mr Tobin was ill, so the assistant coach Matt Jobson took over the reins for the afternoon. With Nathan and Kyriakos sharing the ruck work and Josh C scouting the packs we were able to clear the ball out to George who was ducking and weaving like Joel Selwood. Alessia did a great smother in the goal square and Molly was active in keeping the ball in the forward line. It was a great team performance with the team having a good win. Soccer fought a tough match with Yani scoring a hat trick, but unfortunately that was not enough to get us over the line.

Thank you to all the parents/guardians and grandparents who visited the school on open morning. It was nice to see so many parents sitting in rooms looking at their children's work and supporting the school.

Wednesday was Cyber Safety Day with Claire from the Alannah and Madeline Foundation giving a presentation to students from grades 3-6 about how to use the internet correctly and stay safe on social media sites. The staff also had a session after school and there was a parent presentation in the gymnasium. Thank you to Mr Luke Begg for organising the day and parent evening session.

Families are encouraged to take a look at the website of the Office of the e-Safety Commissioner, the website has current information on strategies to support young people navigating the online world. It includes links to reporting concerns as well as general information about the range of applications that young people of all ages are accessing. <https://esafety.gov.au/> Families can also sign up for their newsletter to stay up to date.

Thank you to the parents that assisted on Saturday at Bunnings with the sausage sizzle. We raised over \$2200 dollars for Parents Club that will be used throughout the school for programs such as Fresh Fruit Friday and resources for the library.

Today we had 30 kinder children have a school experience. They all had a short session of Art, Italian, Music and Physical Education in preparation for starting school in 2018.

This week I have had the wonderful support of Mrs Adrijana Lukic as Acting Assistant Principal. I thank her for all her hard work and support in keeping our school operating smoothly.

Over the next three weeks students in grades four, five and six will be completing the Attitudes to School survey to find out what your child thinks of our school. The Attitudes to School Survey is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training. The survey assists schools in gaining an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Our school will use the survey results to plan programs and activities to improve your child's schooling experience. This year the Attitudes to School survey will be conducted at our school between Monday 22 May to Friday 23 June. The survey only takes 20-30 minutes to complete and occurs during your child's class time. Students from Year 4 to Year 6, will participate in the survey. Your child will complete the survey online during school hours using a purpose built secure online survey tool.

The survey results will be reported back to the school in Term 3. The survey results will be communicated to parents through the annual reporting process. In the past we used the survey results to plan curriculum and well-being programs. The Department has updated the survey for 2017 to include important new measures that are known to influence student engagement and performance. Students privacy is our priority. Your child will be provided with a unique login to complete the survey. The student login is an assigned identifier that may be used by the Department to combine data for research purposes only. Your child's privacy and the confidentiality of your child's survey responses will be protected at all times. No identifiable personal data is included in the survey response file. This survey is not a test and your child has the right to refuse or withdraw from the survey at any point before, during, or after completion. Want to know more? If you would like more information please contact the school.

The footy. What can I say! To all those Collingwood supporters that made me aware of the result on Monday morning, thanks. I am pleased to say Melbourne Storm (my new team) had a great win against the Rabbitoh's.

Have a great week
Mark

GENERAL OFFICE INFORMATION

SCHOOL FEES: The School Fees were due Friday 24th 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 23rd June. The form is available from the office.

Thank you.

PWPS
FINAL STUDENT UNIFORM SALE
Monday 29th MAY 2017
Straight after assembly in the carpeted area of the gym
All items \$5 - CASH ONLY

CRAZY HAIR DAY – Thursday 1st June

The JSC representatives have been planning our Term Fundraiser for a while and we can finally announce that Thursday 1st of June will be Crazy Hair Day! You are encouraged to come to school out of uniform AND with a crazy hairstyle. You can use pipe cleaners, balloons, hair colour, pieces of lego.....anything you can think of! Feel free to colour your hair, however we ask NO HAIRSPRAY CANS to be brought to school. Everyone is asked to bring a gold coin donation and the money raised will go towards raising funds and awareness for Cystic Fibrosis.

The JSC Team

Hi, I'm Leo. I am the JSC rep for 3D. I'm happy to help anyone in need in the schoolyard. I play basketball and I swim in most of my spare time. I like being a JSC because you have a chance to make the school a better place. You can find me in the portables, adventure or the back oval.

Thanks,
Leo 3D

Hi, I'm Maia and I am member of the Junior School Council. I love chilling with my dog and hanging out with friends. The JSC's will help create ideas for school and make it a better place. We work hard to raise money, have meetings and help the school community.

Thanks,
Maia 4W

eLearning

eConnect CyberSafety Session

Yesterday Claire from eSmart (Alannah & Madeline Foundation) came to the school to talk to our 3 – 6 students about cybersafety and how to be good digital citizens. She spoke to our students about the 3Cs and the T.H.I.N.K acronym.

Connect, Conduct, Content

Connect: Thinking about who we connect with online and whether they are someone we would trust or information or be friends with in real life.

Conduct: How we act when we are online. Making sure that we are respectful to others and understanding that everything we post publically can be visible to the whole world.

Content: What are we posting online? Is it appropriate and is there a chance that we might regret sharing this information, even if it resurfaces years from now.

THINK!

T – Is it true?

H – Is it helpful?

I – Is it inspiring?

N – Is it necessary?

K – Is it kind?

Claire said that she would be sending me some of the resources from yesterday. Keep an eye out for the T.H.I.N.K poster and the '10 Tips for Parents' that was shown at the parent information session last night. I will be adding these to the newsletter over the next couple of weeks.

Prep-Grade 2 Guided Reading – Assistance Required.

The Preps, 1s and 2s are calling for any parents/carers that are available to assist with guided reading. The junior school guided reading program is aimed introducing and building on, a variety of reading strategies as well as targeting students with specific reading and comprehension needs. The assistance of parents/carers in the classroom allows teachers to provide a more intensive approach in small groups whilst allowing parents to gain an insight into the workings of our wonderful school.

The best part - you don't even have to have a child in the junior school! As long as you hold a current working with children check and you have some spare time on Tuesday to Friday mornings, we'd LOVE to see you!

For those that have some spare time and would like to offer their help, please contact one of the area coordinators below and they will be more than happy to let you know where you could help out.

Please note that guided reading runs from 9:10 to 9:55am every Tuesday to Friday.

Junior school area coordinators

Prep: Ben Corns Room 6

Grade 1: Chloe Watt Room 13

Grade 2: Jess Merlo Room 11

Thanks in advance for your help!

Adrijana Lukic - Prep team and Literacy Leading Teacher

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 8th 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.

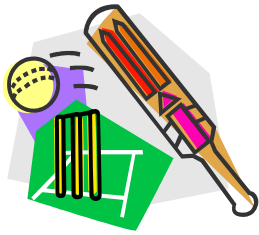
When your child has finished reading the required number of books, please return the completed list to school for the books to be verified.

Happy Reading!

Karen Attrill and Melissa Besford

Premiers' Reading Challenge Coordinators

INTERSCHOOL SPORTS



Interschool Sports results from Friday 19th May, 2017

SPORT	PWPS	St Johns
Netball Girls	22	0
Netball Mixed	12	3
Soccer Mixed	7	2

Interschool Sport results from Monday 22nd May, 2017

SPORT	PWPS	PNE
Netball Girls	4	21
Netball Mixed	9	0
Football	71	0
Soccer Girls	0	1
Soccer Mixed	3	6

Interschool Sports this week will be played AWAY against Preston PS on Friday 26th May - Football Barling #1, Soccer (mixed) Barling #3, Soccer (girls) and Netball at Preston .

WELCOME TO PARENTS GROUP

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Volunteers for Fresh Fruit on Friday 26th May are: Sasha De Lorenzo, Mick Paskos, Daniela Cagliarini, Vicki Persic and Sarah Bellchambers.

**Thank
You**

BUNNINGS BBQ

Despite the cancelled sausage and bread order by Coles Online on the morning of Saturday 20th May, the parent helpers triumphed over adversity and got on with the fundraising BBQ at Bunnings Northland and raised over \$2,200 for the school. Thank you to the following volunteers who helped on the day: Kathryn Li, Anna Bell, George Markoski, Danielle Parker, Jeremy Boxall, Vijay Patel, Naomi Cindric, Phuong Hong, Annika Priest, Howard Roberts, Nick Clemons, John Fulcher, David Bellchambers and Vicki Persic.

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 with your email address.

SCHOOL UNIFORM - PSW

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week ending 19/05/2017

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

GRADE	"LEARN"	BOUNCE BACK
Prep C	Charli O'Loughlin	Julius Picot
Prep I	Crystalia Pagoniou	Obi McGregor
Prep K	Tinura Fonseka	Amelia Chen
Prep L	Liam Wakeling	Maleesa Marasinghage
Prep W	Giselle Magalhaes	Harriet Wheeler
1B	Emma John	Will Ralph Thornely
1C	Franco Santos	Luka Cindric
1E	Harivandan Butteddi	Lily Shaalan
1M	Isaac Cozis	Kingson Chen
1W	Whole Class	Ruby Clemons
2A	Tauheed Alam	Penny McKenzie
2J	Jonah Karavokiros	Lila Bosworth
2M	Jiarui Yang	Elke Bell
3B	Riley Koutsovasilis	Ewan Li
3D	Lulu Napolitano	Yiwen Lin
3P	Raihan Mohammed	Khoi Nguyen
3W	Kyan Wang	Matthew Morris
4F	Lewis Wilson	Evia Burrell
4K	Thomas Wagner	Angie Athanasiadis
4M	Harshil Purohit	Finn O'Farrell
4W	Sage Ristevski	Mohamed Saghar
5H	Rifan Aljohani	
5I	Siera Zhaku	Harnoor Harnoor
5J	Cassie Catton	Lachlan Eford
5O	Joe Cina	Angelique Tschlis
6N	Jake Koutsovasilis	Christian Saccuzzo
6S	Aaron Wu	Koni Grapsas
6T	Eddy Kroes	Daksh Kumar
MUSIC	Joanna Sun 5I	
PHYS ED	Somdeep 2B & Prep K	
ITALIAN	Shreya Sivakumar 2J	



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



Art Smocks

As we are progressing through our painting topic this term, I would like to remind students to bring their own art smock. It could even be an old t-shirt! It's always best practice to have the right gear, so please don't forget. Now, let's get painting!

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