

# Preston West Post

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Preston West Primary School Newsletter

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## IMPORTANT DATES

### December

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>

Final School Council Meeting at 6pm

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

Grade 4 La Trobe Uni - Sports & Activity Day

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

Grade 3 Watermarc Excursion - Fun & Fitness

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

Grade 6 Big Day Out - Funfields

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup>**

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

## Principal's Note

### Swimming

The Grade 2 students need to be congratulated for their enthusiasm, behaviour and improving skills at the pool. The teachers are thrilled with their improving confidence and capabilities. Special thanks to the educational support staff and parents who have been attending the program and providing assistance to the teachers. The final session of the swimming program will be conducted today.

### Election Day BBQ

Special thanks to the parents/careers who volunteered and contributed at the Election Day BBQ on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Your efforts and support were greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Bo Li for coordinating the day.

### School Council

Just a reminder that the final School Council meeting for this year will take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm. The meeting will be followed by dinner as a small way to thank our parents and staff on School Council for their dedication and hard work.

### School Holiday Programs

If parents require child care over holiday periods there are numerous vocational care programs offered across the city of Darebin. A listing of the holiday programs and further information can be accessed via the Darebin City Councils website. <http://www.darebin.vic.gov.au/Darebin-Living/Community-support/FamiliesandChildren/Childrens-Services?a=B47D639DEC8C492B9F0FBE7A8153168C#Primary-School-Holiday-Program>

### Parent Payments 2019

In 2019 there will be a slight increase in Parent Payments as approved by School Council at our November meeting.

At Preston West Primary School we have endeavoured to keep our payments as low as possible. In summary the 2019 Parent payments will include:

1. Essential Educational Items will increase to \$200. Parent Payments incorporate the costs associated with Athletics and Reading Eggs/Reading Express.
2. In 2019 we will continue to employ a first aid officer. Having Carol in the first aid role over the past two years year has greatly enhanced the safety of students and has assisted in reducing the load on staff to administer first aid. In turn this has allocated more staff to undertake either yard duty or lunch time clubs. A voluntary contribution levy of \$40 per student (same as in 2018) contributes towards the employment of a first aid officer for approximately 4 hours per day.
3. The voluntary curriculum levy of \$50 will remain the same.

In 2018 there was a reduction in the number of families who contributed to the voluntary first aid and curriculum levy. Please note we can only request these volunteer charges at the commencement of a school year, as opposed to the Essential Educational Items charge, which we can send out reminder statements for payment each term. We greatly appreciate the ongoing support of our school community and eagerly head into 2019 with ambitious goals to continue our journey to provide an excellent primary school education for students of Preston West and beyond. If you have any questions regarding parent payments please don't hesitate to contact me on (03)94701546.

## **Cheryl Bondeson**

### **BASCP CURRENT FAMILIES**

***Have you re enrolled for 2019? Emails were sent out on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November with information about how to enrol online. If you have not re enrolled there will be no guarantee of placement for your child.***

### **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 30<sup>th</sup> November are: Menaka Kumari, George Markoski, Daniela Cagiliarini, Vicky Vlahopoulos and Jackie Lewis.

#### **SICK BAY BEDDING**

Our volunteer for Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November is Soma Guha.

**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.

### **eLearning**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As the end of 2018 draws near, the school technicians and I are starting to plan and finalise arrangements for 2019. Part of this includes setting up Google Apps for Education accounts for next year's Grade 3s and allocating JAMF Pro licenses for those that are participating in the 2019 iPad Program. Recently I sent home an iPad Program booklet. At the back of the booklet it has the forms that will indicate whether your child be participating in the iPad Program, has parental consent to create them a school based Google Apps account as well as a Digital Technologies Agreement to be signed.

Regardless of whether your child will be participating in the iPad program or not, the Google Apps for Education Parental consent form and Digital Agreement is important in allowing the students the ability to participate in a range of learning through the use of the school shared devices and the Computer Lab.

Can I please ask that the relevant forms are returned to the school by the end of next week (Friday, December 7). Spare consent forms are available from the school office or via Compass under 'eLearning Information' in School Documentation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

Regards,  
Luke

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week ending 23/11/2018**

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

GRADE	“LEARN”	BOUNCE BACK
Prep C	Nina Surawski	Sebastian Tan
Prep D	Song Tang	Isher Cuni
Prep H	Jiashu Niu	Noor Al Abody
Prep L	Kushank Purohit	Rushil Dobariya
Prep W	Griffin James	Fares Alsmari
1B	Daphne Boxer	Archie Welsby
1E	Xavier Magalhaes	Scarlett Maxwell
1K	Henrietta Mc Ardle Green	Giselle Magalhaes
1N	Adelaide Hegarty	Flynn Fennell
1W	Paula Yang	Zac Mohammed
2A	Chloe Beck	Juzer Udaipur Wala
2B	Lily Shaalan	Mona Saoud
2J	Sam Pingitore	Hue Dwyer
2M	Lara Sibley	Jayden He
3B	Grace Liang	Jamie Kuiper
3F	Andy Ye	Alice Richards
3I	Mariam Al Abody	Eric Guo
3P	Caden Beardsley	Leon Kapsalis
4B	Sara Ismail	Holly Grbac
4E	Ishaq Hassan	Whole Class
4K	Maggier O’Bree	Pearl Elsey
4M	Aston Gray	Ester Wilson
5H	Mihali Rendis	Bylsan Said
5I	Kosta Triantafyllopoulos	Dilan Kilic
5J	Zoe Tzouroutis	Marcus Carelli
5V	Isabella Aitkin	Stefan Nedelkovski
6O	Charlie Brain	Jau Conadis
6T	Arya Sivakumar	Connor Murray
MUSIC	Poppy Richards PD	
PE	Brian Thai PD	
ART	Keira Jeffers 6O	
ITALIAN	Miro Mukai 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.com](mailto:schoolpantry@icloud.com)



**\*\*\* Please note – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December will be the last day for lunch orders this year!**

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Attention Parents and Carers

Preston West Primary School has a team of parents and carers that volunteer their time to perform a variety of activities throughout the year. We ask you to join us and continue this valuable work.

Parents and Carers run a group that is different from school council, is NOT for fundraising and always has lots of things to do!

JOIN ONE or JOIN ALL - parents and carers volunteer time to help with:

- weekly fresh fruit Friday
- sick bay bedding
- maintaining kitchen garden
- special events like mother and father's day stalls
- organise the bbqs when elections are held at the school
- other activities as they may arise

As children progress through their primary school grades, their parents also graduate from the parents/carers group. The group will lose many of its active members at the end of this year as their children complete primary school.

**The school urges parents/carers to reach out and join the group so these valuable activities can continue for the school community.**

For more information or to express interest please email [pwpsparentclub@gmail.com](mailto:pwpsparentclub@gmail.com) or leave your contact info at the school office.

Please note that a working with children check is required.

