

# Preston West Post

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Preston West Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 31st May 2018

## IMPORTANT DATES

### June

Friday 1<sup>st</sup>

Grade 3 - Healesville Sanctuary Excursion (8.15am departure)

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Curriculum Day - No students this day**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>

Grade 4 Camp - Lake Dewar

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Queen's Birthday - No students this day**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>**

**3 Way Conference – No students this day**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>

Multicultural Day – Whole School

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Last Day Term 2 – 2.30 Finish**

## Term Dates

**Term 2 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

**Term 3 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Term 4 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

## Principal's Note

### Curriculum day – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

*Just a reminder to parents that Preston West Primary will have a curriculum day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June.* This will be a pupil free day. Teaching and Educational Support staff will receive professional development on Jolly Phonics / Jolly Grammar.

### Darebin City Council – Bike Fleet Donation

Special thanks to the Darebin City Council for their generous donation of 18 brand new bikes. The bikes will be a great asset to our Grade 4 Bike Education Program. The Deputy Mayor of Darebin visited assembly on Monday morning to share the great news with the Preston West community.

### Ella Pillay – Family Leave

Ella Pillay will be on family leave early next term. Ella will be replaced by Viktoria Sen who will be teaching 3P for the remainder of 2018. The teachers will undertake a comprehensive handover to promote a seamless transition between staff. We wish Ella and her family best wishes for the birth of her child.

### Grade 4 Lake Dewar Camp

Our Grade 4 students and staff are eagerly awaiting their camp next week to Myrniong (Lake Dewar) and I am confident they will have a wonderful three day experience. 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, kick bikes adventure tunnelling, fun games and various night activities. There will be some changes to our specialist programs and class teachers next week due to our camp staffing. In addition to our four Grade 4 teachers, Ainslee Watkins, Sam Burnett and Nola Chatterton will also be staffing the camp.

### Junior School Council – Feed Melbourne Appeal Drive

Congratulations to JSC for their efforts in coordinating the Feed Melbourne Appeal Food Drive. Special thanks to the families who contributed to this terms Junior School Council initiative. JSC will also be conducting an out of uniform day on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June with a theme – *What do you want to be when you grow up?*

### Assessments - Mid Year Reports

I have been impressed by the recent student data reports that have been generated after recent online, school based, external and Department of Education and Training assessments. Teaching staff have moderated and analysed data in their teams and are currently working to document our comprehensive student mid year reports. Three Way Conferences will be conducted on Wednesday 27th June. Just to remind parents that this is a pupil free day where formal classes will not operate and there will also be no Before /After School Care.

### Kinder Student Visit

Last Thursday we had a group of very excited and enthusiastic kinder children visit Preston West Primary School. They enjoyed sampling our additional programs in Music, Italian, Art and Physical Education. Special thanks to Jamie Andronikos, Desley Chappel, Tina Stapmanns and Ainslee Watkins for conducting an engaging program and also to our House Captains / Vice Captains who greeted our visitors and assisted staff to conduct activities.

### National Reconciliation Week

This week is National Reconciliation Week (27<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June). The dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey – the anniversary of the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision. This week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation effort. May 27<sup>th</sup> marks the anniversary of Australia's most significant referendum and a defining event in our nation's history. The 1967 referendum saw over 90 per cent of Australians vote to give the Commonwealth the power to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and recognise them in the national census. On 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1992, the High Court of Australia delivered its landmark Mabo decision which legally recognised that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have a special relationship to the land – that existed prior to colonisation and still exists today. The recognition paved the way for land rights called Native Title. The theme for this years National Reconciliation Week is 'Don't keep History a Mystery: Learn. Share. Grow.

## Cheryl Bondeson

### WELCOME TO PARENTS/CARERS GROUP

#### FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Fresh Fruit volunteers for Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June are: Nektaria Siourthas, Jackie Lewis, Daniela Cagliarini, Sarah Bellchambers and Kathryn Li.

#### SICK BAY BEDDING

Our volunteer for Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June is Nektaria Siourthas.

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 VIC 3072**. They are **open every day** of the week 10am-4pm.

**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.



## elearning @ PWPS



In recent years YouTubers like PewDiePie, DanTDM and Smosh have been the online stars that many of our students view and even look up to. With the rise of faster internet, worldwide services like YouTube, Twitch and Mixer have become some of the main entertainment hubs that host a plethora of live streamed content. For the kids, gaming is one of the highest viewed content types with live streams that cover games like Minecraft, the currently popular Fortnite and many others from a range of genres.

Below is a link to an article from Internet Safe Education that summaries Twitch for parents as well a link to the eSafety Commissioners page about YouTube.

[Internet Safe Education - Twitch](#)  
[eSafety Commissioner - YouTube](#)

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me via email or come in and see me on a Monday.

Luke  
Leading Teacher for eLearning

### GENERAL OFFICE INFORMATION

**SCHOOL FEES: SCHOOL FEES WERE DUE FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2018.**

#### SPARE CLOTHING

Can parents of our junior students please ensure your child has a change of clothes in their school bags. Our first aid is running extremely short of clothing. If your child has been provided with school owed clothing, it would be greatly appreciated if you could return it after washing the items as soon as possible to Carol (First Aid Officer) or the school office.

#### CAMPS, SPORTS and EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund help ensure that no student misses out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

CSEF will be provided to eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students **All applicants must complete and lodge their submission by 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018.**

## 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 7<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 28<sup>th</sup> 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.**

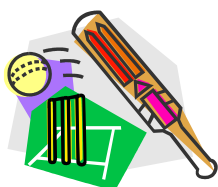
*Happy Reading!*

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*Premiers' Reading Challenge Coordinators*



## INTERSCHOOL SPORTS



Interschool Sports results from Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

| SPORT           | PWPS | PRESTON A |
|-----------------|------|-----------|
| Netball (Girls) | 11   | 7         |
| Netball (Mixed) | 4    | 4         |
| Soccer (Boys)   | 1    | 8         |
| Soccer (Girls)  | 1    | 2         |
| Football        | 15   | 33        |

Interschool Sports this week will be played at HOME against St Gabriels on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Football forfeit (St G), Soccer (Boys) BT Connor, Soccer (Girls) and Netball at PWPS. Good Luck.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week ending 25/5/2018

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

| GRADE   | "LEARN"               | BOUNCE BACK      |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Prep C  | Sumaya Yalahow        | Adam Bardi       |
| Prep D  | Aiza Khan             | Finley Smith     |
| Prep H  | Madison Bonanno       | Adriana Cocco    |
| Prep L  | Yousuf Yousuf         | Albie Howden     |
| Prep W  | Aurora Chapple        | Angela Guo       |
| 1E      | Hadla Said            | Scarlett Maxwell |
| 1K      | Japjyot Singh         | Yusuf Moosa      |
| 1N      | Jay Sun               | Michael Omenihu  |
| 1W      | Freddie Parker        | Xavier Brisbane  |
| 2A      | Jacques Ryan          | Finn Howden      |
| 2B      | Maxwell Quinan        | Aishah Foggi     |
| 2J      | Ifra Shaik            | Ruben Harwood    |
| 2M      | Lucinda Smart         | Henry Smith      |
| 3F      | Ela McGregor          | Atlas Thomas     |
| 3B      | Maisah Al Balouchi    | Ahmed Saghar     |
| 3I      | Alex Burneski         |                  |
| 3P      | Derek He              | Caden Beardsley  |
| 4B      | Sara Ismail           | Matthew Moris    |
| 4E      | Leo Herceg            | Josie O'Donoghue |
| 4K      | Maggie O'Bree         | Joseph Zeng      |
| 4M      | Indigo Flynn          | Haimo Xia        |
| 5H      | Kartia Monteneri      | Michael Rendis   |
| 5I      | Holly Paul            | Hugh Van Herk    |
| 5J      | Olivia White          | Thomas Wagner    |
| 5V      | Ethan Pablo           | Laksha Laksha    |
| 6R      | Sarina Stepanovski    | Kelly Ye         |
| 6T      | Jaidon Wang           | Aneesa Dani      |
| 6N      | Lucy Preshaw          | Freddy Collyer   |
| 6O      | Roman Napolitano      | Eddie Jirovec    |
| ART     | Atlas Flynn 1W        |                  |
| PE      | Christian Rodoreda 5H |                  |
| MUSIC   | Indigo Flynn 4M       |                  |
| ITALIAN | Annie Zhou 3F         |                  |



## 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)

