Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

GOODBYE TERM 3 – HELLO TERM 4

So here we are again – at the end of the term and looking forward to the holidays! What an amazing term this has been. So much has happened and we have collectively achieved so much! For those keeping score at home, here are some of the big things that have happened at Prestons PS over the last 10 weeks:

* NRL University of Wollongong Project
* Swimming Scheme
* Kurrajong Cup Gala Day
* Teddy Bears Picnic
* Active After School Sport Program
* ICAS English and Maths Competitions
* Premier’s Sporting Challenge
* SCIENCE FUN DAY
* Liverpool Zone Athletic Carnival
* Maths Cup challenge (Stage 3)
* THE GREAT MINI FAIR
* Regional Spelling Final
* EDUCATION WEEK
* High School Enrichment Science Program
* Debating Competition
* Footsteps Dance Program
* Bocci Knockout Competition & Finals
* Premier’s Spelling Bee
* Dental Clinic
* MILO Cup Cricket Gala Day
* LAaFF Festival
* Casula HS Brain Buster Challenge (Stage 3)
* Public Speaking Competition
* Stage 1 Excursion

That is just the MAJOR stuff that has happened this term! On behalf of the staff at Prestons Public School, I would like to thank everyone for their dedication and commitment to our wonderful school, and I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday. I look forward to seeing you all next term! First day for Term 4 is TUESDAY 7th October.

THE GREAT MINI FAIR = HUGE SUCCESS

A HUGE thank you to all the families that joined us last Thursday for the GREAT MINI FAIR. The event was a MASSIVE success, and a day that I’m sure students will remember for many years to come. Some photos from the event can be found in today’s newsletter and on our school website.

2014 KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM

The 2014 Kindergarten transition program will commence in Week 2 next term (Monday 13th Oct & Wednesday 15th Oct). If your child is starting school next year, this program would be HIGHLY beneficial! More details can be obtained from our website, or by contacting our front office. Spaces are filling up fast – so don’t delay in booking a place.

Mark Greentree - Principal
School Information

Assembly Information

K-2 - Every Wednesday commencing at 2.15pm

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3-6 - Every 2nd Thursday- Even Weeks commencing at 2.15pm

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Active After School

The Active After School Program has concluded for Term 3. The program will resume again in Term 4. Notes will be sent home at the beginning of Term 4.

Kindergarten 2015

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2015. Children who turn 5 by the 31st July 2015 are eligible to enroll for Kindergarten 2015. Enrolment forms can be collected from the administration office.

The Kindergarten/Preschool Transition Program will be commencing on Monday 13th October and the Orientation Day will be on Wednesday 5th November 2014. Further information is included on the back page of this newsletter.

Parent English Classes

Parent English Classes have concluded for Term 3. These classes will resume Term 4 (Everyday English-Focus on Australia) – Tuesday 7th October from 9am to 10.30am.

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

For your information, students need to be at school by **6.20am tomorrow morning**. Buses will be due to arrive back at school at approx. 7pm Friday evening. Please ensure prompt collection of your children.

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Pictures from our Mini Fair

Pictures from the Georges River EEC Excursion

Toddler Story Time 🎉

Any parents and carers who are interested should bring their toddler along to the school library at 2:20pm on Tuesday afternoons. Throughout the afternoon they will be involved in reading, drama and art activities. Parents and carers must attend with, assist and be responsible for their toddler at all times. The program will resume Week 1, Term 4.

DRAMA CLUB

Drama Club will be having an after school dress rehearsal on Tuesday 7th October from 3-4pm in 5/6M. Could all drama students please bring their black performance clothes, costumes and/or props in a bag labelled with their name. This bag will then be left at school for a practice rehearsal on Wednesday 8th October in the Stage One Assembly at 2:15pm. Parents and friends and welcome to come along and watch the performance during this Assembly. Drama Club will also be performing their drama piece on Wednesday 15th October in the Stage 2/3 Assembly at 2:15pm.
Classroom Chat
with ..... 

4C

2014 marks a phenomenal fifty Whipple-Scrumptious years since Roald Dahl’s best-loved tale Charlie and the Chocolate Factory was first published. The story of Charlie Bucket, the five Golden Tickets, the devilish Oompa-Loompas and the amazing Mr Willy Wonka has become firmly embedded in our classroom.

To celebrate the anniversary 4C have read the book this term. We have written some delicious chocolate stories and this Friday we will be inventing our very own chocolate bars!

4C well done for all your hard work this term and have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

2M

2M are thrilled to tell everyone about what we’ve been doing in class in term 3.

We have been focusing on writing convincing persuasive texts. We’ve all written wonderful speeches persuading the audience that our favourite place or character is best!

Here are 2M’s representatives, Jay and Dania!

We are continuing to improve our writing ‘power level’, using interesting descriptive language and editing our work!

2M have been working hard in maths and are becoming budding mathematicians. We have learnt all about multiplication, division and even fractions!

As part of our science unit ‘Schoolyard Safari’ we have been learning all about bugs and insects. We went to the George’s River Education Centre and got an up close look at all sorts of creepy-crawlies!

2M love doing creative artworks too!
Parent English Classes

If you would like to develop your conversational English skills then our parent English classes are for you!

Week 1 • Tuesday 7th October
9am-10:30am

Topic – Everyday English
Focus on Australia

The purpose of these classes is to assist parents to develop their English skills so that they can confidently communicate in everyday situations such as at school, home or the shopping centre.

Class content will be developed based on the needs and interests of parents attending.

Weekly classes will be run by Mrs Naicker and Mrs Claydon on a Tuesday morning, 9am-10:30am.