Principal’s Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

PREMIERS SPELLING BEE

Yesterday, Stage 2 and Stage 3 students competed in the Premiers Spelling Bee here at Prestons Public School. The Premier’s Spelling Bee was introduced in 2004 as a fun and educational way for primary school students to engage in spelling. The program includes activities to encourage all students to engage with spelling and to promote improved literacy in combination with the English K-6 Syllabus. Congratulations to all the students that competed yesterday, they displayed a great deal of confidence and skill during the competition. A HUGE congratulations to our Stage 2 first place winner Joviaan from 3/4A and the runner up Emma from 3/4M, and our Stage 3 first place winner Luke from 5/6T and Lisa from 5/6T. We wish you all the best for the Regional Final.

TELL THEM FROM ME

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

Our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.


Mark Greentree – Principal
We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Children who turn 5 by or on the 31st July 2016 are eligible to enroll for Kindergarten 2016. Enrolment forms can be collected from the administration office.

Kinder to Year 2
To assist in the event of toileting accidents and spills, it would be appreciated if parents could keep a change of clothing, including socks and underwear, in their child’s bag. This will help to ensure your child is changed quickly as spare clothing is not always available from the office.

If your child has been lent clothing from the office, please ensure all items are washed and returned asap so they can be used to assist another student.

Liverpool Arts & Film Festival (LAAFF)
All students involved with LAAFF have been issued with updated notes due to date changes. The correct date for this festival is Thursday 10th September.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS

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Woolworths Earn & Learn 15th July to 8th September
- Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent. (excluding tobacco, liquor and gift cards)
- Place the stickers into the collection box in the office or Carnes Hill Woolworths.

Zone Athletics
Just a reminder that notes and money for Zone Athletics Carnival are due in no later than Friday 21st August.

Graduation Signature Bears
Orders for Year 6 Graduation Bears or Balls are due in by 11th September. No late orders will be accepted.

Go4Fun
FREE & fun program for fitter, healthier, happier kids!

Know if your child is over a healthy weight? Go to www.go4fun.com.au or call 1800 780 900 to see if your child could do Go4Fun.

Toddler Reading Group
The Toddler reading group is on each Tuesday at 2.15 pm in the Library.
Classroom Chat with ..... 

Fun days in 1T!

1T have had a great start to term 3. We have been busy learning about lots of different things.

1T love participating in Maths rotations. In Maths, we are learning about 3D shapes and their properties.

We have also been learning about length, patterns and position.

In literacy, 1T are using the circus theme to link with writing and reading. Our favourite prompt has been watching Charlie Chaplin’s ‘Circus’ Film. We wrote film reviews and comic strips.

1T are busy preparing for the school performance with 1M and we can wait to show you all!

5/6R

5/6R has had an extremely busy start to Term 3 preparing for our amazing CAPA performance. Our class have been lucky enough to work with 5/6J to create a magical performance which encompasses our diverse skills and talents. We have particularly focused on the use of facial expressions and body movements to create and maintain engaging circus characters. We can’t wait to give you all a sample of our talent.

Our class is pleased to introduce to you our Principal for a Session, Miss Cliantha Bernard. Miss Bernard was able to experience all of the fantastic tasks that principals perform. When interviewed by the journalists of 5/6R, Miss Bernard commented on the many tasks involved in the job such as making announcements and visiting the classrooms to see the fantastic work of the students at Prestons.

The scientists of 5/6R have also become Earthquake Explorers and have also been researching a range of natural disasters and how they occur. Throughout various investigations our scientists made lemon volcanoes through creating a neutralisation reaction. We can’t wait to share some more of our scientific discoveries throughout the year. Stay tuned to hear all about the outrageous adventures of 5/6R and the many discoveries we are sure to make along the way.
Thursday 13th August 2015

Just a reminder that the Premiers Reading Challenge closes for students on Friday 21st August 2015 at 11:59pm. Any students in Years 3 - 6 who wish to complete their challenge must have their books entered on the Premiers Reading Challenge website before this time. If you are filling out the orange Premiers Reading Challenge Reading Log and you want Mrs Hawkins to type your books into the website, your reading log needs to be to her no later than Wednesday 19th August. All K - 2 students participate in the Premiers Reading Challenge as a part of their regular Library lessons and have had their books entered for them online. Happy reading!!

Take a peek in Toddler Reading Group this week!

Come on down to the library and join our fantastic toddler reading group here at Prestons Public School! What a great way to make new friends and network with parents from our wonderful school community. Please join Miss Higgins and her fabulous group of toddlers on Tuesday afternoons at 2:15 in the library. Toddler reading group is a great program in which offers your child with an opportunity to engage in ‘big school’ activities and to socialise with children of the same age.

COMING SOON...

THE PRESTONS CIRCUS

PERFORMANCE

Wednesday 16th September - Week 10

More information to come soon

CASULA HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE

This week at Casula High we have enjoyed hosting the Principals from our local Primary Schools. This team of Principals along with our own Principal, Mrs Jennifer French, are working on some great upcoming activities. Some of these are:

• Senior executive members from all schools taking part in a leadership workshop by Dr Michelle Mulvihill which will be hosted by Casula High.
• Our science department holding science lessons for our primary schools.
• Casula’s Pacific Islander group visiting our local primary schools to teach students the haka.
• Casula High hosting a year 5 Taste of High School Evening for year 5 students and their parents at the end of term 3.
• All year 5 students being offered the opportunity to attend a free excursion to the Australian Museum on behalf of Casula High.
• Year 12 students hosting a ‘Space’ video conference in term 3.
• Casula High hosting a ‘Leadership’ video conference for all SRC groups.
• For more updates on our exciting achievements why not like us on Facebook? Find us at www.facebook.com/casulahighschool

If you have any queries please contact the school on 9602 4270. Emily Signerini, Transition Co-ordinator

NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge

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