Principal’s Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

THE PRESTONS PS CIRCUS IS COMING!!!

The moment has almost arrived - when the students and staff at Prestons PS present our “Circus Extravaganza”. The students are extremely excited about presenting the show to our community, and have put a lot of effort into practicing and refining their performances to ensure that they are highly entertaining and showcase the vast array of talent that exists within our wonderful school.

I hope that you have the opportunity to come and watch us NEXT WEDNESDAY. Tickets are available from the Front office - so be quick before they sell out!!

Liverpool Arts and Film Festival (LAaFF)

Tonight, a number of our students will be performing at the Liverpool Arts and Film Festival (LAaFF). Our school has proudly participated in this annual event for a number of years now, and this year we have FOUR groups performing - Senior Dance Group, Junior Dance Group, K-2 Dance Group and a Choir.

The students participated in a final dress rehearsal today, and are super excited about performing in front of a big audience tonight at the Liverpool Catholic Club.

I’m sure you will join me in wishing the students all the very best for their performance. I am looking forward to seeing them all shine on the big stage!

REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

On Friday, four of our students will be representing our school at the Regional Spelling Bee, to be held at Miller Public School. We wish Jovian & Emma (Stage 2) and Luke & Lisa (Stage 3) all the very best as they compete with students from other local schools. I’m sure that you will all make us proud!

DOG SAFETY

On Tuesday, all students in K-2 were visited by a Pet Educator (and a specially trained dog), to educate our students on all facets of responsible pet ownership, safety around animals, and minimising the risks from dog bites/attacks. Although we present these programs for our students, we still maintain a strict NO DOG/PET policy in our school playground (particularly in light of the recent events whereby students in Melbourne were bitten by a dog in school grounds). Please assist us in ensuring the safety of all students, staff and parents, by keeping dogs and pets outside the school grounds.

Mark Greentree – Principal

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2015 DATES TO REMEMBER

- 10/9/2015
  - LAaFF (Liverpool Arts & Film Festival)
- 11/9/2015
  - Ticket orders due for school performance
- 16/9/2015
  - Whole School Performance
- 18/9/2015
  - Last Day of Term
- 05/10/2015
  - Public Holiday
- 06/10/2015
  - Students & Staff return to school

PSSA

Winter PSSA has concluded for 2015.

Summer PSSA, OzTag and Cricket, will commence again in Term 4, Week 1, Friday 9th October.

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**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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Seats are not allocated and no tickets will be available for sale on the day of the performance.

**Parent English Classes**

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

Classes will be held on Friday mornings 9am - 10.30am

**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished.

Please return all stickers to the office so these can be lodged and redeemed for educational equipment for our school.

Thanks again for all your support!

**Graduation Signature Bears**

Orders for Year 6 Graduation Bears or Balls are due by tomorrow, 11th September.

No late orders will be accepted.

**Student of the Week Award Recipients**

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**Seedling Reading Group**

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

**5/6W**

5/6W cannot believe that it is Week 9 already. Term 3 has passed in a whirlwind and there is still so much happening in the last week of term.

This term we have been learning all about Spain and the differences in Spanish culture compared to our lives here in Australia. Over the next few weeks we will be enthusiastically lobbying Mr Greentree to introduce a midday siesta, so that we can have a nap halfway through the day like the students and teachers in Spain.

Next week we will be presenting to Stage 3, market stalls of posters, brochures, videos, websites and interactive presentations that we are creating on 14 different areas of life in Spain. The students are enthusiastically working on their research at the moment so that they can become experts on their aspect of Spanish life to be able to answer everybody’s questions at the market.

This term 5/6W has engaged with an online learning space on Edmodo to complete extra research and homework tasks. This has allowed students to become familiar with and develop their proficiency with a range of presentation tools including PowToon, Animoto, Glogster and Weebly. It has been really enjoyable to witness the students continued engagement with classroom content at home and over the weekends.

We couldn’t talk about Term 3 without mentioning the amazing CAPA performance that is almost here. Working alongside 3/4M, we have skippers, balancers and stuntmen ready to WOW the crowds next week. It is very exciting to think about performing in front of our friends and family and showing off all the hard work that we have put into our acts. The students are starting to get a little nervous but having seen their dedication over the last term or so, I know that they have nothing to worry about and will do great.

Finally the finishing touches are being put on the Stage 3 camp which heads off to the Great Aussie Bush camp on the first day of Term 4. It is great to see so many students in 5/6W heading off on camp and I know they are all very excited about the activities Mrs Beavis has planned for the overnight stay.

We look forward to seeing you all at the CAPA performance next week and wish you safe and happy holidays for the end of term.

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**KH**

During term 3, KH have been learning about lots of different animals. We have been writing a range of information reports on these animals each week. The students in KH have all made great improvements in their writing skills. We have been focussing on sounding out words and writing them independently.

During the past few weeks KH have been busily rehearsing for the whole school performance to be presented on Wednesday, the 16th of September. They are feeling very excited about this event!

This week in mathematics, we have been learning about multiplication and forming groups. The students in KH have been creating groups of different sizes and have successfully communicated the total through counting the objects within their groups.

The boys and girls in KH are always so very passionate about their learning and should be commended for once again a fantastic term together! 😊
Parents who would like to order and pay for their lunch for Wednesday 16th September will need to do so by Monday 14th September, as orders will not be taken on the day.

Student’s lunch orders will still be accepted on the morning of Wednesday 16th September.

Casula Rural Fire Brigade
Open Day
13th September – 9am to 2pm

Present on the day will be:
- The SES dog unit with one of their search dogs, who is always happy to put on a demonstration for eager fans.
- A drag car for the car enthusiasts out there, and;
- A food van set up for the sale of snacks and beverages.
- A display of readily available fire safety items for the home.
- 3 different Rural Fire Service fire trucks and a range of equipment.

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.

Please use these details to log in:
1. Login in: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com
2. Your School’s Parent Username = parent18528
3. Your School’s Parent Password = Pre2901