



Wednesday Weekly

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Diary Dates and upcoming events

September

Thu 15 – Grade 5 Debating Round 2 (team)

Thu 15 – Grade 2 Mad About Science Inc (\$16)

Thu 15 – **Grade 4 Camp payment due**
(or instalment plan set up)

Thu 15 – **Footy Colours Day!**

**Friday 16 – Last Day of Term 3 :
2.30 pm finish**

Term 4:

October

Mon 03 – Term 4 starts

Thu 06 – Prep Gymnastics \$50 (six sessions)

Fri 07 – Gr 1 Gymnastics \$50 (six sessions)

Mon 10 – Tues 11 – Gr 4 City Camp

Wed 12 – Northern Regional Athletics (more info will be sent
via Compass)

Friday 21 October - Art Show
5.00 – 7.00 pm
Every child will have a piece of artwork on
display!

From the Acting Principal....

Dear All,

This Friday the 16th of September will be my last day. I have enjoyed my time here at Preston Primary school. This is a special place and I have been privileged to be part of it.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you very much for having me as your Acting Principal. From my very first day, I was impressed by the warmth and openness of this community. My open-door policy has allowed me to spend time with many students, parents and staff to discuss various aspects. This has been truly rewarding and is what my leadership style is all about. Working in partnership with wonderful children, dedicated staff and caring parents brings me joy.

Whatever I do in the future and wherever I go, I will always be a passionate leader that holds fond memories of Preston Primary School. I am on this wonderful journey in my career and am privileged and honoured to have met so many wonderful parents, staff and children in such a short time. I wish every family all the best and hope you continue to enjoy the exciting educational opportunities provided by this school.

Staffing

Next term, **Lefi Doumtsisi**, one of our Foundation Teachers, will be on long service leave.

We would like to thank Lefi for everything and wish her a wonderful break.

Also, we would like to welcome **Hugh McKenzie** and **Jenny O'Brien**, who will be job-sharing Lefi's class (PAE) next term.

Grade 6 Drama Show preparation

Tonight, our Year 6 students have their wonderful Drama performance. The theme will be 'Mad Mall' and the band will be performing a new song. They have all worked so hard and are so excited for their grand performance.

A big thank you to **Glynis Angell** (Drama teacher) and all the staff who have really supported this great event. It honestly is a TEAM effort!

*Thank You and
Farewell*

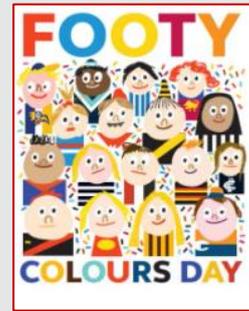


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Thursday 15th Of September

Tomorrow is Footy Colours Day - please come dressed in your Footy Colours.

No gold coin donation; it will be a great day to celebrate the end of term.



Early Dismissal

Please come along to our last assembly for the term.

School Assembly	
Senior School	Junior School
Friday - 16 th September at 2:00pm Assembly (Last day of Term 3 student dismissed at 2.30pm)	Thursday – 15 th of September - Assembly

**Ameera Hassanein,
Acting Principal.**

SUNSMART

Children need to ensure they come to school each day prepared for the heat of the summer days. They **MUST** bring their hat to school **EVERY** day as we have a “No Hat no Play” rule that we enforce in Terms 1 and 4.

Students must wear a school hat; baseball hats are not permitted.

Only one delivery date left in Term 3.

Friday 16 September is the last day of Term 3 and orders will be sent home on that day.



Uniform Shop

On-line orders can be made on Qkr **up to 4.30 pm on Thursdays** and it will be sent home on Friday afternoon.



Bought the wrong size? If you need to make an exchange for a different size, please leave the item/s you need to exchange (*make sure all tags and packaging is included*) at the Office through the week.

Swaps will be processed on Friday and sent home with children on Friday afternoon.



- **PLEASE ensure your child's hat and jumper/jacket is clearly labelled with your child's full name.**

Staff regularly check the Lost Property boxes and return uniform directly to classrooms.

2022 Term Dates

Term 3 : 11 July to 16 September

Term 4 : 03 October to 20 December

2022 Pupil Free Days

Friday 9 December

Grade One Report

The Grade 1 children have had such a busy but fun term!

They have been learning about Earth, Space and Chemical Sciences. They've participated in so many little experiments and activities to help them understand changes that occur due to science. Some of the favourites have been the mentos volcano experiment, skittles rainbow experiment and the Oreo phases of the moon activity. We have also incorporated our experiments with our procedural writing.

This week we made jelly and wrote the steps involved in making it. It was so yummy!!!

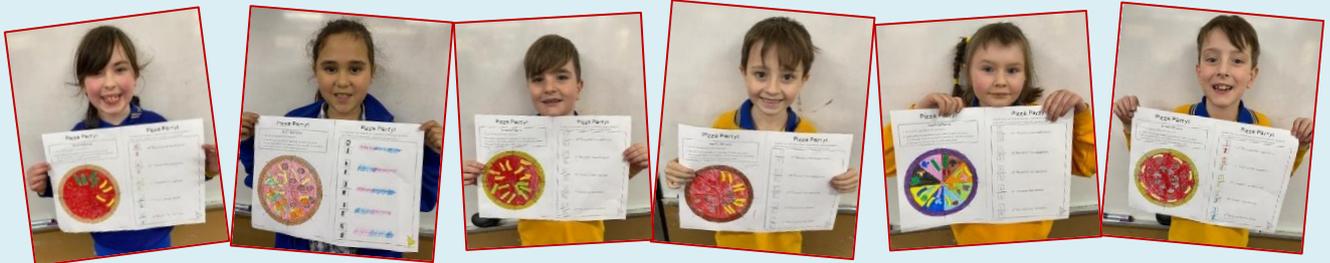


Grade 2 Report

Last week in Grade 2, we began our focus on fractions. We folded kinder squares and circles to practise splitting a whole into equal parts.

Using play dough, we continued our investigation by exploring how a ball can be split into halves, quarters and thirds, and how we can put these parts back together again to create a whole. Students identified that $\frac{1}{4}$ is smaller than a $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{3}$ is smaller than a $\frac{1}{2}$, and so on. They also considered the concept of equivalent fractions.

This week we threw a 'Pizza Party', where students enjoyed selecting ingredients to create their favourite pizza. They calculated the fraction of slices that contained each ingredient and made comparisons with their classmates.



In Science this week we learned that everything on Earth is made up of matter. Matter has three states solids, liquids and gasses. We discovered that all three states take up space. Solids and liquids you can see, they have a shape and size and even though you can't see gasses like air doesn't mean they don't also take up space.

So we made a cool solution using water, dishwashing liquid and glycerine to make..... You guessed it BUBBLES! We had a blast blowing bubbles on our tables. We blew bubbles inside of bubbles, we had bubble races and even measured the diameter of our bubbles once they had popped, the largest measuring a whopping 42cm. By filling the bubbles with air we were able to make them expand, proving that gasses like air do take up space.



Grade 6 Report

What a way to end Term 3! This week has been packed full of excitement.

We started off with our Science Expo on Monday afternoon, there was a menagerie of scientific models on display for families and friends to come browse through. It was a fantastic chance for our Grade 6 students to display and talk about some of the impressive work they've been doing this term.

The environmental team put together a very successful Bake Sale on Tuesday with huge cues at lunchtime and at the end of the day all eager to sample some of the delicious products on sale.

Today is the 'top of the mountain' for our Grade 6 actors! All year the students have been writing scripts making props and rehearsing their lines for this moment – The Drama Show! It is a day full of nerves and excitement but one that they will remember for a very long time! Good luck to everyone involved!

It is a fantastic way to end the term and we are all looking forward to an action-packed end to the school year.



Music Report

On Wednesday August 31, **Grade 1** students visited the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra (MSO) to participate in their Jams for Schools program. It was the first time we have run a specific music excursion and our students had a wonderful time.

Together with other schools, the students were introduced to instruments from the four families of the Orchestra (Brass, Woodwind, Strings and Percussion) and followed the instructions from the Conductor. The students were each given a small percussion instrument to follow along with the music played and be a part of the overall performance! It was great to see them follow the Conductor's lead and be fascinated by the size and sounds of each of the instruments!

Back at school, our **Grade 6** rock band have been working hard on their song list for their first performance as part of their Grade 6 Drama Show. It's been a long and sometimes interrupted process for them but they have persisted and the songs are really starting to come together. We look forward to them performing these songs at school next term.

Til next time ... ROCK ON!

Jason



Division Athletics

It was a cold and drizzly day at the Meadowglen track for the Division Athletics Carnival on Thursday 8th of September, but the weather did nothing to dampen the spirits of the 29 athletes. The talented and tenacious team from Preston Primary again represented the school with pride and courage. Needing to finish in the top two in their event to progress through to the Regional Championships, 17 students achieved this lofty goal, with 9 others narrowly missing out, placing third.

Special congratulations to Nicholas, Cassie, Ruby, Beckett and Phoebe who all qualified for Regionals in multiple events. Luca P, Ethan, Emily, Tilly, Atticus, Neve and Omar along with the 10-year-old girls relay team of Matilda, Alyssa, Mandira and Phoebe and the 11-year-old girls relay team of Ruby, Talia, Ariana and Cassie; also progressed to Regionals.

Huge thanks to all of the parents who drove their children to the event. Particular thanks to Jodi James, Clare Sheehan and Jason Shanks who kindly transported multiple athletes.

Keep training hard for the next level of competition, Northern Regional Athletics, which will take place on Wednesday 12th October (Week 2 of Term 4) at Meadowglen.

Parents will again need to transport students on this day. More details to come early in Term 4.

Go Preston!

Karen Jones
PE Teacher



Bake Sale Bonanza!!

Yesterday the **4/5/6 environmental and JSC representatives** did an outstanding job of running the PPS Bake Sale.

It was a huge success, and everyone enjoyed lots of cookies, slices, cakes, muffins, and cupcakes.

Thank you to everyone that donated – it was greatly appreciated. Well done to all the helpers involved. We are still counting how much money we raised and will decide on the environmental cause it will be donated to very soon. Stay tuned!



Grade 4 Landmark Expo

On Monday 12th September, the Grade 4 children held a wonderful Landmark Expo! It was a fantastic event where the students were able to showcase the outstanding creations they designed and built at home.

Congratulations to the students for their enthusiasm and for doing such a great job at sharing their models.

A big thank you to the many families who came along to support the students and their learning. It was so fantastic to have you all visit our classrooms and to see you all in person!

Grade 4 teachers



Artists of the Week



Mia T, 4AB



Andy M, 5AC

2022 ART SHOW

..... Friday 21 October

5.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Every child will have a piece of artwork displayed!

Footy Colours Day!

Thursday 15 September

Students (and staff!) can come dressed in their footy colours!

(No donations required)



St John Ambulance Victoria is offering a variety of free training opportunities to residents of Reservoir and people with a strong connection to the area through family, work, study or leisure.

Click the link for more info:

[Free Education & Training \(stjohnvic.com.au\)](http://stjohnvic.com.au)



CHESS MATES
FUN CHESS CLASSES FOR KIDS

Spring Holidays
Melbourne | Adelaide

Ages 5-12

Looking for something fun and exciting for the kids these school holidays? Something challenging, engaging and encouraging new friends? Well, we've got you covered!

Chess **Tournaments**

Scan or visit chessmates.com.au/holidays

RESERVOIR WEST
TWILIGHT FETE
NOVEMBER 19TH

FOOD
DRINK
RIDES

MUSIC
STALLS
RAFFLE

see YOU there!

12-7PM

RESERVOIR WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19TH 2022
CARRINGTON ROAD, RESERVOIR

THEN KELLY SPORTS IS YOUR ANSWER!

Start the school term by enrolling in this fantastic Kelly Sports program. Join up with your friends and develop your skills in a fun, safe & inclusive sporting environment.

Spring is here and it's time to get out and about and shed that Winter coat. Kelly Sports is the perfect way to get active this Spring and join us as we teach Crazy Games, Cricket, Soccer & Basketball skills this term. Kelly Sports is all about fun and maximum participations, why not bring a friend! Our experienced coaches aim to develop and enhance the wide range of sporting skills of your child including kicking, catching & throwing while also improving strength, flexibility, hand-eye coordination, spatial awareness, co-operative skills and teamwork.

WHEN: Friday's

DATES: 7th October - 9th December

TIME: 3.30pm - 4.40pm

YEAR LEVELS: Prep - 1 junior campus, Grade 2 - 4 senior campus

COST: \$150 (10 weeks)

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
WWW.KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU/INNER-NORTHERN

Website: kellysports.com.au/inner-northern
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Phone: 0492 125 323
Facebook: #KellySportsInnerNorthern



TENNIS & INDOOR SPORTS CAMPS
NARRANDJERI STADIUM



Enrol for the 360 Tennis & Indoor Sports Camps - September School Holidays 2022

Invite your mates!

Days	Details
Day 1: Wednesday 21/09	9:00am till 3:30pm
Day 2: Thursday 22/09	Primary School Ages (5 to 12 yrs)
Day 3: Tuesday 27/09	\$75 per day or \$140 Two Day Combo (same week)
Day 4: Wednesday 28/09	Narrandjeri Stadium 281 Darebin Road, Thornbury

Drop off period 9:00 - 9:30am, activities start at 9:30am

Contact

Chanel McKay
360 Sports Academy
Sports Camp Coordinator
0408 029 213
contact@three60group.com.au

PURCHASE TICKETS - ENROLMENTS



JUNIOR PLAYERS WE WANT YOU!!

About Keon Park:
Keon Park Cricket Club is a family orientated club and would love for you to get in touch if you are interested in joining our family.

J C Donath Reserve - Oval #1
Corner of Harmer Street & Wagga Road
Reservoir VIC 3073

Mixed teams - U16's, U14's, U12's
Games are Friday Nights at 5pm
Training on Wednesdays at 4:30pm

Mixed teams - U10's
Games are Monday Nights at 5pm
Training on Wednesdays at 4:30pm

Junior Blasters - Ages 5 - 8
Saturday Mornings at 10am - 11am
Teaches kids to bat, bowl & field

President: Shane Baker 0417670206

Administration and technology

Office Administration Essentials

Build your confidence and gain essential skills to work in office administration.

Office administration is at the heart of any well-run business. In this course you will build your communication, teamwork and time management skills and learn a range of general administration tasks, including:

- Formatting Letters
- Recording meeting minutes
- Basic use of commonly used computer programs, e.g. Word, Excel
- Creating, saving and filing documents electronically
- Emails and attachments
- Use of workplace technology
- Taking phone messages
- Raising and checking purchase orders

PATHWAYS

Builds skills for employment, volunteer opportunities or further study (e.g. Intro to Bookkeeping) or accredited training (e.g. Certificate I / II in IT, Cert II / III in Business).

ENROLMENTS

Call 9462 6077 or visit us at Merrilands Community Centre.

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LOCATION

Prace - Merrilands Community Centre
35 Sturdee St, Reservoir

DATES & DURATION

6 Oct - 8 Dec 2022
10 Sessions
(No classes on school holidays or public holidays)

DAYS & HOURS

Thursday
9.30am - 2.30pm

STUDY MODE

Teacher supported learning in a classroom/ computer lab

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

None

FEES

Government subsidised
Concession: \$50
Full: \$59
(plus \$10 Services & Amenities fee)

This is a Learn Local endorsed course.

Prace encourages individuals with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities.

This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth government funding.

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