

# Prairievale Public School

## ***NEWSLETTER***

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**Wednesday 3 February 2016 - Term 1 Week 2**

### ***Welcome Back to 2016!***

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2016. It is great to be back with lots happening here at PPS.

All of our students have now returned to school and yesterday we had 71 new Kindergarten students start at school. We were amazed at how quickly they settled into their new classes.

We are looking forward to watching them learn and grow over the coming year.



Fortunately, we have had to make very few changes to classes this year and those that have moved have been contacted directly. Thank you to all the staff, parents and students for making it such an easy start to the year.

***Next P&C meeting***

**Wednesday 10th February 2016 @ 2pm**

## 2016 Classes

The classes will be:

KB	Mrs Borg and Mrs Sipione	KC	Ms Cassar
KG	Mrs Gideon	K/1M	Mrs Melia
1P	Ms Penman	1/2A	Ms Alderson
2R	Ms Rebeiro	2SE	Mrs Sosa and Mrs Eris
3/4B	Ms Bowen	3/4I	Ms Ismail
3/4L	Mrs Lal	3/4Q	Ms Quang
4/5M	Ms Michetti	5/6B	Ms Bowden
5/5G	Ms Ghannoum	5/6O	Ms Ou
5/6S	Mrs Sweeney	K-6C	Miss Ciocci (and Mrs Cossetto)
K-6S	Ms Capps (and Mrs Zenner)	K-6H	Ms Hezemans (and Mrs Strbac)

We would also like to welcome our other new staff members in 2016-

Mrs Vanessa Davis - Assistant Principal

Ms Carrington and Mrs Saeedi—Learning and Support teachers

## School Banking

School Banking will resume this year on Wednesday 10th February.



## Voluntary School Contributions

A reminder that school voluntary contributions are now due. Thank you to all those families who have already contributed as these funds help us to run a variety of programs here at Prairievale PS.

Contributions are as follows:

**1st Child = \$30**

**2nd child = \$20**

**3rd + children = \$10**

As we did last year, we will choose three families (by selecting names at random) who have paid their voluntary contributions to win some fantastic prizes.

## Gates and Safety

Our front gate is operated electronically. This is to ensure the safety of all students. It will be open until 9:20am of a morning and reopen at 2:30pm in the afternoon.

***Please be aware that staff car parks are out of bounds for all students.***

***Please do not encourage students to walk through these areas.***

***Parents are also asked NOT to park in staff car park, even on wet days.***

## Student Management Policy

We have recently updated our Student Management Policy at PPS. As a part of this, we have decided to trial a new reward system across the school. Instead of dots, we will be handing out merit awards.

These rewards will need to be kept safely by students and when they have 5, these can be traded in for Bronze, Silver and Gold awards throughout the year. The table below explains how many awards are needed to receive a Bronze, Silver and Gold Award.

	What	How
Merit Awards	For behaviour, effort, improvement etc	Can be awarded at any time by any staff member at their discretion. Includes 2 Assembly Awards each fortnight
Bronze Award	5 x Merit Awards	Presented at Friday Assemblies
Silver Award	3 x Bronze Awards	Presented at Friday Assemblies
Gold Award	3 x Silver	Awarded during Week 10 of each term. Any students receiving a Gold Award during a calendar year will attend the Gold Activity at the end of Term 4.

Have a great couple of weeks,

Nikki Perrin  
Principal

# PPS Calendar

## **February**

Monday 8	Parent Information Session—3/4B and 5/6S
Tuesday 9	Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 10	P&C Meeting in the Staffroom
Thursday 18	Parent information session - Speech
Tuesday 23	School Photos

## **March**

Friday 4	Clean up Prairievale Day
Thursday 24	Easter Hat Parade


## **April**

Friday 8	Last day of Term 1
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### What to pack for lunch


**The base**  
Choose a grain based food to fill hungry tummies



**The filling**  
Select a lean red or white meat filling or alternative



**Vegetables and salad**  
Add two or more varieties for plenty of vitamins, minerals and dietary fibre



**Water to drink and a piece of fruit**

