

Prairievale Public School

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Lots of terrific things happening again at Prairievale PS. Keep up to date on our website www.prairieval-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/

Or download the skoolbag app from itunes or the google playstore - search "Prairievale Public School"

Or find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/PrairievalePublicSchool/ .

As we reach the end of Term 1, I'd just like to thank everyone on a busy but very productive term. I'm sure that we are all looking forward to a relaxing break. Just a reminder that teachers return on Monday 24th April and all students return on Wednesday 26th April.

Easter

Our Easter Hat Parade will be held this Friday in Area A at 12pm. Students are required to make a hat at home and bring it on Friday to wear at our parade. Parents and friends are invited to come and celebrate with us at the parade.

Next P&C Extraordinary Meeting
Wednesday 26th April at 9am

World Autism Day

HAPPY WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY!

To celebrate, Prairievale held a RAINBOW PARTY on Monday 3rd April!!! Students were encouraged to dress in their most colourful outfit and bring some money to purchase some rainbow-themed goodies at the market stalls. We will be raising money for Liverpool Autism Advisory Support Service who do an amazing job supporting children with autism and their families.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Mrs Kate Habel who was successful in applying for the position of Special Education Teacher through our recent interview process. She brings a wealth of experience and we look forward to working with her over the coming years.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Just a reminder that Parent Teacher Interviews are being held today (Wednesday 4th April) from 3pm-7pm. If you are unable to make these times, please contact your child's teacher to arrange another time.

Working with Children Check

A reminder that all parents wishing to volunteer at the school must first have a Working with Children Check (WWCC) supplied to the office. This includes helping in classrooms, as a P&C member or at sporting events.

This is free if you are a volunteer and can be applied for at:

www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check/volunteers-and-students

P&C

Thank you to those who attended our P&C Meeting this month. The P&C is an important part of the school community and we hope that we can continue to build up parent membership in our meetings each month.

Our 2017 committee is as follows:

President: Carol Drake

Treasurer: Mrs Rayelean White

Vice President: Roslyn Dodd

Secretary: Mrs Ozlem Cetinay

Auditor: Mrs Teena Manu

An extraordinary meeting will be held on Wednesday, 26 April at 9am in the staffroom to organise the Mothers' Day stall.

The next general meeting will be held on Wednesday, 10 May at 2pm in the staffroom. All parents and citizens are welcome to attend.

Uniforms

Uniforms are a very important feature of our school and we are encouraged to see so many students wearing the Prairievale PS uniform with pride. Please assist us in ensuring that students wear correct uniform every day – including black shoes (except on sports days) and the PPS school hat.

Uniforms can be ordered every day from the office and are ready for collection the following day. Uniform orders will also be taken on Monday, 24 April (pupil free day) from 9-11am.

Have a good couple of weeks,

Nikki Perrin, Principal

You might be asking yourself “**What is the Premier's Reading Challenge all about?**”

Well, we are here to explain what it is, the rules and why you should participate. Let's get one thing straight, the Premiers Reading Challenge is about challenging yourself! To do that, you must read books with a Premiers Reading sticker at the bottom of the spine of the book. You have to read books ranging from 20-30, but that doesn't mean you can't read any more books. Here is a table showing all the details.

Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	PRC booklists you can read from
K-2	30	25	5	K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-9
3-4	20	15	5	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9

Hold your horses; before you go off reading a whole bunch of books let us explain the 4 main rules:

1. K-2 students, you can read the books on your own, read them with someone or someone can read them to you.
2. 3-4, 5-6 students, you **MUST** read the books on your own but someone can help you choose them.
3. **REMEMBER** you can still read PC (Personal Choice) **BUT** you can only read up to 5 of them. If you read more than 5 PC books it won't be counted as part of your Premiers Reading Challenge.
4. You must complete your Premiers Reading Challenge by 25th of August 2017.

You must be thinking “**Why should I participate?**”

Well, to start with, you should participate because the more you read, the better you will be able to write. Reading is fun and it can open up a whole new world for you. At the end of year nine (if you have read for the past school years non-stop) you will receive a medal. You will also receive a certificate for your hard work of reading. Think about it! All you have to do is read 20-30 books and record them on a paper, then hand it in to your school Librarian! So why not participate right now! That's all you need to know about the Premiers Reading Challenge. **So, C'mon, Go on, Challenge Yourself!**

Don't forget what Dr Seuss said “**The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn the more places you'll go!**”

By Larita and Sallie (the fabulous school library monitors)

25 Reading Nights

1A

Alissah Quach
Kevin Phan

3/4O

Leo Jebbo
Malik Mehajer
Marcus Ung

3/4Q

Riwaj Dhital
Grace Choe

3/4B

Michael Kozelko

4/5T

Aabid Degia
Orlando Jong
Cheal-C Moffat

K-6H

Dominic Le

5/6S

Rita Awidsho	Braydan Dodd
Azra Tekin	Daniel Usumaki
Kyan V	Alicia Tir
Violetta Fazio	Belos Kafo
William Lay	Aivah Bachar
Anorn Path	Ryan Tran
Misak Pamboukian	

KC

Sargon Youkhanna
Jasmine Jong

1A

Chelsea Jong
Daphne Hwang
Alissah Quach
Kevin Phan
Eilana Lazar

50 Reading Nights

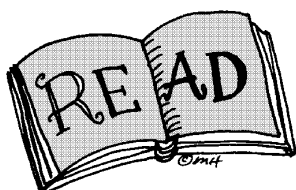
3/4B

Rita Mirkhani

5/6S

Daniel Usumaki
Maryanne Asmaro
Aiden Duong
Shaokina David

Afaaf Asmaro
Sophie Condell
Anorn Path



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the more **things** you know.
The more that you **learn**
the more **places** you'll go."
-Dr. Seuss

Bronze Awards



Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Bronze Award:

Riwaj Dhital	3/4Q	Sharokina David	5/6S
Grace Choe	3/4Q	Angelina Pasi	3/4O
Adam Al Zuhairy	3/4B	Maryanne Nimo	5/6S
Daania Supriyono	1A	George Kako	2SE
TuleenTuffaha	1/2D	Georgia Matti	1/2D
Kevin Phan	1A	Aidan Choe	1P
Ngoc Pham	3/4O	Noor Rhaima	3/4B
Annabelle Pham	3/4Q	Giorgis Warda	1/2D
Miranda Badal	3/4Q	Joseph Nimo	2SE
Chelsea Jong	1A	Amonn Beard	K-6H
Merin Jiji	2SE	Andres Del Aguila	5/6J
Romeo Pabon	2SE	Niram David	3/4I
Caroline Quach	3/4B	Amanda Toma	1L
Luis Jay Longabela	2G	Alma Korajac	2G
Michael Kozelko	3/4B	Ashor David	3/4B
Lochlan Greville	3/4I	Cynthia Boun	5/6N
Marcello Jong	5/6N		

Silver Awards



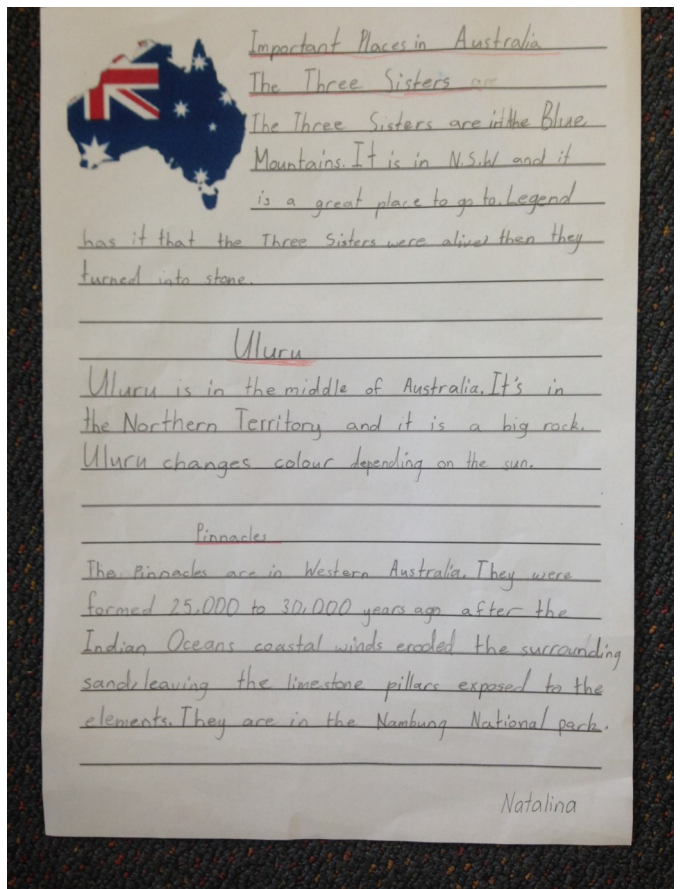
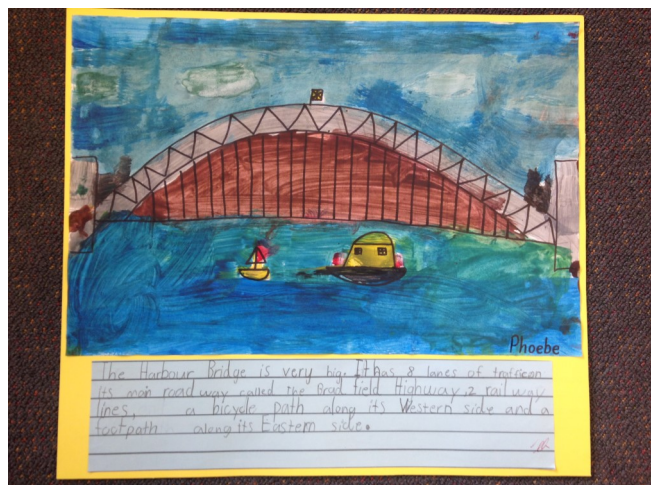
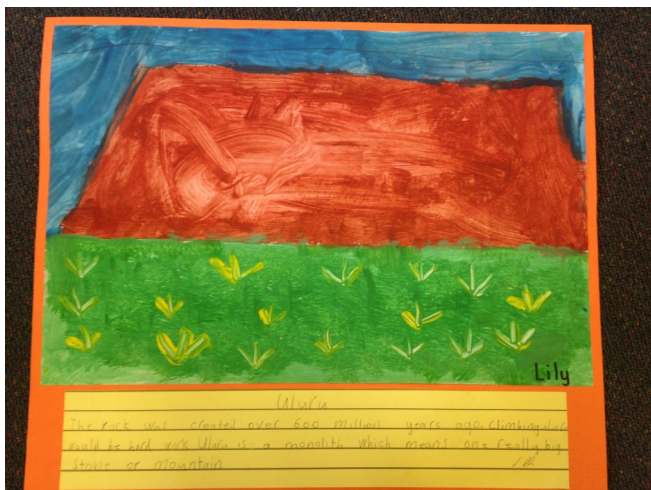
Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Silver Award:

Daphne Hwang	1A	Joseph Nimo	2SE
Alissah Quach	1A	Aidan Pham	1/2D
Giorgis Warda	1/2D	George Kako	2SE
Maryanne Nimo	5/6S	Kevin Phan	1A
Ngoc Pham	3/4O		

Class in Focus

2SE

During Term 1, 2SE has been learning about what makes a text informative. Students researched facts about important Australian landmarks that they learnt about in Geography, and wrote an information report.



Leadership Report

As you may know, the entire leadership team have received their jackets this week. However, being a leader isn't just about the badge, the jacket and the title; so we have interviewed our fellow leaders this month about what they think it means to be a leader.

What does it mean to be a leader?

It means to respect, obey rules and help each other with problems.

-*Clement, prefect*

Being a leader is obeying school rules and showing respect to everyone.

-*Trisha, prefect*

To help others and be a good role model is what makes a good leader.

- *Daniel, prefect*

Being a leader is about being a role model, being a listener and being able to help everyone. - *Savanna, prefect*

What have you enjoyed most about your role?

Overall, I have enjoyed helping others and listening to their problems.

-*Savanna, prefect*

Even though we have just begun our roles, I have enjoyed working with different people and experiencing different personalities. -*Trisha, prefect*

The thing I like about being a leader is experiencing how to use the sound system. -*Antonio, captain*

How will you use your role to make Prairievale a greater place?

I will show respect and hopefully help others do that too. - *Clement, prefect*

I will make our school greater by helping the SRC get donations for new equipment.—*Antonio, captain*

Leadership Report (continued)

And from our captain Sophie, who has put the qualities of a leader into a poem she wrote in class:

Positivity, love-but not all the time,
Having to adapt-come out covered in grime,
Weaknesses show but not to shine through,
When you want to lead-you work and you do.

Don't stop when you are tired, stop when you're done,
Keep going forever-in rain and sun,
Keep people in line and keep people happy,
It's the only way to get things done snappy.

But you have to do more-you have to be grand
And I don't mean by running a lemonade stand,
You have to help out and give others the light,
But don't just stand with your face filled with fright.

You have to be nice-not over the top,
Not so much that people want you to stop,
You have to be good or you'll be in strife,
These qualities are a good way to live your life.

Until next month,
Chloe and Lisandro, vice captains.

From the Office

Camp

All places for Stage 3 camp to Milson Island have been filled. Full payment for those who are going to camp is due by Friday 5th October. Fortnightly payments for the balance will be accepted.



Holidays

If you are taking a holiday or overseas trip, please advise the office at least one week before as we require a copy of your itinerary and a request for leave form is to be filled out.

Enrolments 2018

ENROLL NOW!

We are now taking enrolments for siblings or any in area students for next year. Please drop by the Admin Office to pick up enrolment forms.

Lost Property

Please make sure all items of clothing is labelled so it can be returned to your child if lost.



From the P&C

School Banking

Please bring your school bank books to school every Wednesday. Save money whilst helping the school! If you would like to start school banking, please see the Admin Office and they will pass on new applications or any questions you may have to the P&C.



PPS Calendar

April

Friday 7	Easter Hat Parade 12 - 1pm End of Term 1
Monday 24	First Day of Term 2 - Staff Only
Tuesday 25	ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)
Wednesday 26	Students Return for Term 2 Extra Ordinary P&C Meeting - 9am

May

Tuesday 9	NAPLAN Testing—Years 3 & 5
Wednesday 10	P&C Meeting NAPLAN Testing— Years 3 & 5
Thursday 11	NAPLAN Testing— Years 3 & 5 Mother's Day Stall
Thursday 18	Fairfield City Museum Excursion (1L, 1P, 1A)
Wednesday 24	Symbio Wildlife Park Excursion (Kindergarten)
Thursday 25	Fairfield City Museum Excursion (2SE, 2G, 1/2D)
Friday 26	Zone Cross Country