Dear Parents,

Today we celebrated Australia Day II at Prospect Creek State School and, thanks to the efforts of staff and students, it went off like a blowfly in a rubbish bin (to coin a phrase…). However, despite the fun and games we had, we managed to raise some well needed funds which have been donated to our council to assist with families who suffered great losses during the recent floods. Thank you to all of those families who donated money towards this great cause and it was another great reminder of the terrific community we are lucky enough to be a part of. We have included further information for those families who either might be struggling for assistance or who are looking for ways in which to contribute to this great cause.

Thanks again!

P&C UPDATE:

Last Tuesday saw a great percentage of our parents attend our first P&C meeting for the year. A huge Prospect Creek thank you to our former president, Lynette Stark, who chaired the meeting and provided terrific guidance as a result of her many years as P&C president. Below is a list of the names and positions to be held for this year’s P&C:

PRESIDENT: Megan Muller
VICE PRESIDENT: Belinda Gardiner
SECRETARY: Robyn Matheson
TREASURER: Linda Marxsen
QCPCA REP: Kylie Wormington
TREAT KITCHEN CONVENOR: Sally Neve
CATERING COORDINATOR: Belinda Gardiner
BOOK CLUB COORDINATOR: Sally Neve

POSITIONS YET TO BE FILLED

CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY
CO-CONVENOR FOR TREAT KITCHEN
FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR
RECYCLING COORDINATOR

Please contact the school office for further clarification of any of the above roles should you be interested in becoming a part of this very important aspect of our school community.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF TIME FOR OUR NEXT P&C MEETING

P&C Meeting — Tuesday, March 12 — at 3:30

The next P&C meeting will be held at the above time in the school library. Important matters to discuss include this year’s camp, cross country and future sporting events, fundraising ideas, and show submissions. All parents are more than welcome to attend our extremely productive meetings.

SAND PIT

We received word that our school might be getting a shipment of sand courtesy of The Mathesons and Hanson’s Concrete. This sand is to replace the sand lost from our long jump pits during the recent floods. Another terrific example of our school’s community spirit!

UNIFORMS POLICY UPDATE

Over the past 2 weeks, we have sent home information regarding P.C.S.S’s uniform policy and we can say with confidence that students have been looking terrific while wearing their uniforms with pride. However, 2 points must be mentioned regarding some finer details of our uniform policy:

JEWELLERY: Studded earrings for girls with no rings or bracelets allowed for any student. Please note that this is for safety reasons.

SHORTS: Boys and girls shorts must be no more than 10cm above the knee in order to be considered “sun smart” and therefore also forms part of our school’s uniform policy.

Your adherence to these guidelines is greatly appreciated and should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

CROSS COUNTRY

Prospect Creek State School’s cross country date has been set for Friday, March 22 with training to begin the next Friday morning and continuing on 3 mornings a week until the date. Students will gradually build their fitness levels over the coming weeks and I am confident that all students will participate and enjoy the day as a result of their hard work.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Mrs Emma Smith will be taking our school photos on Monday, March 4 at 9am. Students are reminded to wear their full school uniform with pride on the day.

2013 PRINCIPAL’S CONFERENCE

Please note that I will be attending the annual principals’ conference in Brisbane from Feb 25 - March 1. Mr Couchman has been nominated as the Acting Principal in my absence as a result of completing the Take the Lead course which is the same leadership course that led me to receiving acting roles during 2012. Mrs. Tansey will be taking the 4-7 class for the week.

TERM 1 INVOICES — DUE FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Term 1 invoices will be sent home with today’s newsletter. The due date for these invoices is Friday March 22. Invoices can be paid in person on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays (administration days). Alternatively, you can send a student to school with the payment in an envelope.

Sincerely,

Gregg Savage
What a fantastically busy week we have had in the 4-7 classroom this week! In numeracy, we have continued with our warm ups and we have learned better ways to multiply and divide decimal fractions by 10 and have focused a great deal on using rounding and estimation in order to solve word problems. In literacy, we have continued our analysis into narratives and the skills great writers use to keep us entertained. In history, we examined what it was like to meet another culture through role-play and in science, we have kept up our studies into animal adaptations and the myriad ways animals have developed in order to survive. On top of this we are well under way with our L.O.T.E, music, swimming and P.E lessons. Like I said, a very busy week and plenty more to come!

!!Happy Birthday!!
Joshua Rowe
February 21st :)

This week we have been busy learning how to sort words for spelling, starting the growing of our sea monkeys and learning the days of the week. We also looked at some great pictures from Jordan & Mikalah’s families in our history unit. If you have any photos the children could bring showing a moment in time of your family, we will look at them during class. Library borrowing will be on Mondays. If you have a library bag at home, please send it with your children on Monday. Everyone is excited and enjoying Australia Day 2. I wonder which year level will eat the most sausages? (my money is on Y2 closely followed by the preps.)

2013 SCHOOL CALENDER

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Cameron Muller

Bringing a fresh attitude to school & school work, and getting some great results!

AUSTRALIA DAY 2
DATES TO REMEMBER

SWIMMING — Every Friday – 1pm
SCHOOL PHOTOS — Monday 4th March
CROSS COUNTRY — Friday 22nd March
TERM 1 INVOICES DUE — Friday 22nd March

INCLUDED IN THIS LETTER:
• Term 1 invoices
• Women's health conference flyer