Dear Parents,

As we reach the final week of term, I’d like to thank all of our staff, students and parents for a successful start to 2013. Here is what is making news this week...

**Uniform Stocktake**

A big thank you to all of the parents who volunteered their time for our uniform stocktake last week. It was finished by lunchtime and has helped enormously with the changeover to the school running the uniform shop.

*Special thanks to:*


We will be looking for volunteers to assist the P&C at our mother’s day stall on Wednesday 8th May from 8:30am. If you are available to help out, please return the note on page 3 to the office as soon as possible.

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**Next P&C meeting**

**Wednesday 10th April 2013 at 2pm**
Canteen

We have had some parents making contact with canteen with requests regarding what their children can and cannot purchase at the canteen. As you may understand, at a school with over 400 students, it is difficult for the canteen to police this on their own and still be able to operate a successful canteen. Therefore we ask that any requests regarding food that students are not allowed to have come through myself or one of the Assistant Principals and will usually be in regard to a medical condition or allergy. Medical plans are then arranged for these students.

Requests such as “I just don’t like my child drinking fruit juice” are important, however not the school’s responsibility, so should be discussed with your child at home.

Easter Guessing Comp and Raffle

A big thank you to everyone who participated in our Easter Guessing competition and raffle. We raised approximately $130 that will be used towards replacing

### Congratulations KP!

KP holds the title of being the best borrowers of Term 1 this year. Every single child in the class returned and borrowed books from the library during the last four weeks of the term. What is even better is that every single child owns a library bag because they know it is important to look after the books.

What an achievement!

Reading a wide variety of books in the early years of life help make children grow up to be confident and independent learners. KP, you are surely on your way!

Well done again and keep up the good work Ms Penman and KP!

Mrs Rajapakse
Librarian
interactive whiteboard projectors in classrooms.

Congratulations to the winners who were announced on the day of the parade:

**Guessing Competition: Irma Korajac**

**Raffle: Cindy Mok**

### Dance Group

Congratulations to Mrs Sosa and her dance group for being accepted into the Regional Dance Festival. This is a great honour and in June, our students will be performing alongside schools from all over South Western Sydney. We will keep you informed of the details when they arrive.

### Reminders

A few reminders for the coming days and weeks:

**SRC Mufti Day**

The SRC will hold a mufti day this Wednesday to raise money for additional school equipment. Last year they were able to purchase our home reading folders and the soccer posts in Area C. All students are asked to wear their regular clothes to school in return for a gold coin donation.

**School Development Days**

Next term, teachers have two staff development days Monday and Tuesday. Therefore students do not return to school until **Wednesday 1st May**.

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**MOTHERS DAY STALL**

Yes! I am able to assist with the Mother’s day Stall on Wednesday 8 May.

My name ____________________________________________

I can help between _____________ and _____________ (eg 9am and 3pm)

My child’s name ________________________________ Class __________
Gymnastics

Stage 2 and 3 students have already received notes regarding the gymnastics program in Term 2. Please return these as soon as possible as the program will begin on the first day of school (Wednesday 1st May).

I’d like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to seeing you next term.

Nikki Perrin
Principal

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**25 Nights Reading**

Congratulations to those students who have reached their 25 nights reading sticker!! What a terrific achievement.

**K/1B**
- Ashorina Daoud
- Martyn Truong
- Jayden Nguyen
- Mario Hanosh
- Orlando Jong

**4A**
- Mattias Kena

**4H**
- Lasenia Ishaq

**4/5B**
- Dylan Jong
- Illana Rabi
- Sheevali Ram
- Narina Folino
- Nicholas Kena
- Andrea Angeleski

**5S**
- Ashoor Teyari
- Lara Chwa
- Samuel Maniti
- Jennifer Duong
- Shaela Geason

**1S**
- Sharokina David

**1/2C**
- Natalie Namo

**6A**
- Olivia Lopez
- Arsiak Ishaq
- Tien Lien
There are thousands of educational resources available through the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program

It’s time to register
Whether you’re a new or returning school it’s time to register. Use your unique User Name and Password provided in the letter sent to your School Principal or Early Learning Centre Director. Visit teaching.com.au and follow the registration instructions from there.

It’s simple to participate
From Monday 8th April to Sunday 9th June 2013, when your staff and parents shop at Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn and Learn Points from the checkout operator and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn and Learn Point for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your school or at your local Woolworths.

Same great partnership with MTA
We’re proud to say we’re partnering once again with Modern Teaching Aids – Australia’s biggest supplier of resources for schools. This means you can choose your resources based on your unique needs, across every category possible including Mathematics, English, Science, Arts & Crafts, Sports and more.

Next Steps
Inform & encourage your school community
Be sure to encourage your parents, teachers, and kids alike to support the Woolworths Earn & Learn program by collecting Woolworths Earn and Learn Points at their local Woolworths between 8th April and 9th June 2013. Templates for emailing and writing to parents can be found on teaching.com.au.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet
Once collected, Woolworths Earn & Learn Points need to be stuck onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet. Please print out Points Sheets for your students. These can be downloaded from woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

Use your Collection Box
Put your Earn & Learn Collection Box in a prominent place at your school. Be sure to let everyone know to place their completed Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheets in the Collection Box.

Nominate for a Collection Box at your local store
Visit your local Woolworths to nominate your school for a Collection Box that will be displayed in store. Each store will have up to five boxes, so be sure to get in early and claim your box. You’ll need to ensure that you regularly empty your box to enable customers to keep filling it up with Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheets. At the end of the program, you’ll need to compile all of your completed Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheets to send back to Woolworths – a mailbag will be provided closer to the time.

For more information, including Points Sheets and answers to frequently asked questions, please go to woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn
Easter Hat Parade
The children in K/1B have had a very busy first term.

    The kindergarten children have settled in very quickly to be beautiful students of Prairievale Public school.

    The year 1 boys and girls have been fantastic role models for their kindergarten friends and have helped settling in to school life. This term K/1B have showed how much they love reading and writing. Each day, the children practise writing sentences and they are very creative with what they come up with.

    Reading groups is their favourite session of each day, where K/1B gets to show off all the phonemes that they have learnt and how they can read new tricky words.

    The beautiful students of K/1B look forward to many more busy terms full of learning

K/1B
April
Wednesday 10  SRC Mufti Day—Gold Coin Donation
Friday 12  ANZAC Ceremony
Last Day of Term 1
Monday 29  Staff Development Day (No school for students)
Tuesday 30  Staff Development Day (No school for students)

May
Wednesday 1  Students return to school
Stage 2 and 3 Gymnastics begins
Wednesday 8  Mother’s Day Stall
Thursday 9  Cross Country carnival
Tuesday 14  NAPLAN starts
Tuesday 21  ICAS Computer Assessment

June
Wednesday 5  ICAS Science Assessment
Friday 21  Reports go home
Wednesday 26  Parent Teacher Interviews