In the past fortnight we celebrated Education Week and this year marks 60 years since the first education week in NSW. I would like to thank the students and teachers for opening up their room to our parents and I am sure the parents appreciated the work of their children. I would also like to thank the parents who attended the ICT workshop, Assembly and Picnic Afternoon Tea with their children. It was great to see parents at each of these activities. Once again I would like to say how honoured I feel to be here at Prairievale Public school. As a principal, teacher and parent I feel privileged to be part of an education system that promotes values of inclusivity and respect.

Parents may have noticed that we have some new signage. There has been lots of work completed around the school to improve and enhance the school environment.

I would also like to thank parents for their support and understanding with our class changes. We would like to welcome Miss Laurice Ghannoum who will be teaching 3G for the remainder of the year. A special thanks to Mrs Barkho who will teaching Assyrian for 4 weeks while Mrs Warda is on leave. I would like to wish Mrs Coundouris and Mrs Hird a speedy recovery from recent surgery and hope to see them back at school soon.

Finally, a huge thank you to the P&C for their great organisation of the school disco held on Monday 4th August. A great time was had by all. $525 was raised. Great work!
Naidoc Week Celebrations

On Wednesday 23rd of July 10 students and some parents attended the Naidoc Celebration at Bonnyrigg Public school. The students experienced many different activities which included boomerang throwing, dreamtime stories, cooking, painting and tool making.

They enjoyed a lunch provided by the school and attended a special thank you assembly.

We would like to thank Bonnyrigg Public school for including our students and their families in this very special celebration. A special thanks to Miss Bowen, Mrs Naim, Mrs Dyga and Miss Mair for their coordination and participation in this event.
The SRC Pyjama day was held on Thursday 24th July. It was great to see so many people support the fundraising of the SRC. The students raised $337 to buy resources for the school.
UNSW Competitions

The following students participated in the Computer Skills competition.

Konstantinos Bakas
Tyreece Vanegas
Sandy Nguyen
Sain Asmaro
Misak Pamboukian

Congratulations to Mathew Chandra in year 4 and Emily Sayer in Year 5 who achieved a credit in the competition.

World Cup Soccer Shooting competition

Congratulations to the following students. The winner of the World Cup soccer ball was James Bekasha with 24 goals.

The following students received Socceroo scarves:

Hayden Issa    11 goals
Ashoor Teyari  11 goals
Juliana Bekasha    9 goals
Anthony Herrera  9 goals.

All participants received Western Sydney Wanderers cards.

All prizes donated by Club Marconi
Class Changes

Due to an increase in enrolments the school has been appointed an extra position which means we can increase the number of classes. A new year 3 class will be formed which will be taught by Miss Laurice Ghanoum. The addition of this class has meant that some changes to classes have had to be made. Parents of students who have changed classes would have been notified by letter last week.

I thank all parents for their support and understanding.

PPS 30th Birthday Party

The celebrations for the 30th birthday party will be held on Wednesday 3rd September 2014.

There will a special assembly in Area A followed by the cutting of a birthday cake and party afterwards. There will be jumping castles, discos and plenty of activities for the students to participate in. The P&C will also be having a sausage sizzle and we are asking parents to bring in celebration sweets to sell at the stalls. We hope that many parents can help on the day.
Stage 1 National Park
Class in Focus KP

We have used Book Creator to make books on the iPads. Here are some of the pages.

We are in KP.

We are friends.

We are friends.
We planted some plants.

Look at the seeds.

We are in KP.

These are our seeds.
**Flu season is here!**

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing.
- Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit's [vaccination page](#).

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

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**LOST PROPERTY**

Please make sure that your children collect their school clothing. Everyday we have items left on the playground. The lost property box is full. Please make sure your child’s name is written in the clothing so it can be returned to them.

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**BOOK Parade**

August 20th 2pm

Please help students dress as a favourite book character

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**Parent Coffee Club now on Friday’s 9.00am in CL room.**

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**Next P&C Meeting**

Wednesday 13th August 2pm in the staffroom.
25 Nights Reading
K/1B 1N
Ekin Nget Aiden Toma

50 Nights Reading
1N
Maja Tasevski

75 Nights Reading
K/1B
Sarah Deng Sena Tekin

100 Nights Reading
KP
Sebastian Tran
Ela Cetinay
Alisha Ung
Miranda Badal
K/1B 1N 1SE 2S
Jonella Oraha Sarah Noona Angela Namo Marcus Yousif

125 Nights Reading
KP
Sebastian Tran
Alisha Ung
Laki Utumapu
K/1B 1N 2S 2M
Michael Kozelko Emilio Navarette Marcus Yousif Afaaf Asmaro

150 Nights Reading
KP
Alisha Ung 1SE 1N
Stephanie Matti Isabella Usumaki
PPS Calendar

Week 4 Term 3

Tuesday 5th August - School Banking
    - Scripture

Wednesday 6th August -

Thursday 7th August – Parks Festival auditions
    - Dance2BFit K-2

Friday 8th --Parent Coffee Club 9-10am (CL room)
    - 3-6 Opera House Excursion
    - Zone Athletics Carnival

Week 5

Monday 11th August –

Tuesday 12th August - Mathematics University Competition
    - School Banking
    - Scripture

Wednesday 13th August – T20 Cricket competition
    - Indigenous Children meeting with Aunty Carol

Thursday 14th August – - Dance2BFit K-2

Friday 15th August - PSSA sport
    - Parent Coffee Club 9-10am (CL room)

Week 6

Wednesday 20th August- Book Week Parade 2pm