

# Preston Grange Primary School

Newsletter - June 10th 2014



## Changes to the price of a school lunch from September 2014

In September, school meals for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be free from September. For all other year groups, the new price of school meals will be £2.06 from the first day back at school in September. This new price will enable us to continue providing the same high quality and nutritious meals that your child enjoys.

	Old Price	New price (From September 2014)
Price Per Day	£2.00	£2.06
Per week	£10.00	£10.30

Please register to use the online payment system at [www.JOINOS.com](http://www.JOINOS.com) If you have any other questions, please call North Tyneside Council Catering Services on (0191) 643 8355.

## Show Racism the Red Card

The organisation 'Show Racism the Red Card' visit our school each year to work with our children. The children enjoy two thought provoking workshops and get to interview ex-Newcastle United defender Olivier Barnard about his experiences of racism. The day is topped off with a fitness session led by Olivier himself. This year on July 14<sup>th</sup>, Show Racism the Red Card will work with Year 4 and 5 classes.



## Packed lunches

Please make sure that your child takes home their packed lunch box every night after school. Mr Conaty has noticed the return of ants, that come into school when any food is left behind on the packed lunch trolleys. We have taken steps to get rid of the ants but would be grateful if you would check that your child removes any boxes, or spare boxes each day thanks.

In the Summer term I must also point out to you that we do not have any fridge facilities or cool area in which to keep the childrens' packed lunches. The class trolleys are kept in the hall, and whilst we are able to close the blinds, please bear this in mind - you may wish to use ice packs to chill your child's packed lunch, or stay for a school lunch instead. Thank you.

### Superb performance

Yesterday Jess in Year 6 was selected to participate in the Tyne and Wear athletics competition for Year 5 & 6 children, having performed so well in the John Spence pyramid athletics event. Jess came 1<sup>st</sup> in the throwing event, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 800m. We are incredibly proud of her achievements !



### Father's day tuck shop

Tomorrow there will be a Father's Day tuck shop at morning playtime, run by the Friends of Preston Grange. Sweets and treats will be available from 20p to £1 if you would like your child to buy something for Father's Day.

### Book Fair

We have a Scholastic book fair coming to school in the week of July 7<sup>th</sup>. Books will be available to view after school in the hall, from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> until Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Fantastic footballers

Our school football team are attending a presentation this Thursday at The Village Hotel, when they will be presented with the trophy for winning the league. Very well done to our team, and special thanks to Simon Brown (Dad of Jessica) for all of his time and commitment in coaching and managing the team. Thanks also to Mr Burgess for attending all of the matches with the children.



### We are ready !

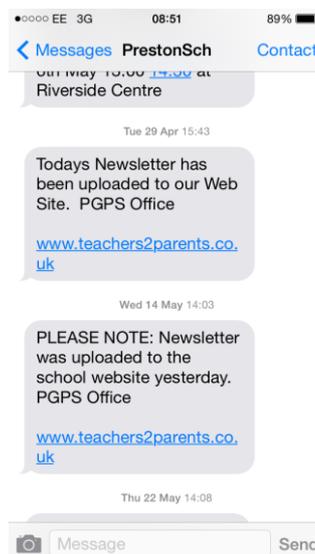
We are well prepared for the World cup at school. There is a wall display in the hall where the children can record the match results. Each class has drawn 4 countries that they will be 'supporting'. For the class who has supported the winner, there will be a new class football and an extra playtime.

### Languages Day

On July 9<sup>th</sup>, Year 5 will spend the day at John Spence where the staff will be hosting a day of curriculum activities. There will be Technology, creative activities, sport and drama, with a French theme throughout the activities. It will be an excellent opportunity for our children, and once again we are grateful for all of the work and support that John Spence gives our school.

### Our website and newsletters

A parent has pointed out a problem that other parents may have encountered. Access to our school newsletters is now done via our school website, unless you have requested a paper copy. When a newsletter is uploaded, you will receive a text which looks like this: If you notice, it has what looks like a link which says under the text 'www.teachers2parents.co.uk' This is *not* actually the link to the newsletter; this is the 'footer' that automatically appears on the



bottom of our texting service. We can't remove this from the texts unfortunately, but we agree that it is misleading.

The text informs parents that a newsletter has been uploaded to our website, and if you go to [www.prestongrange.primary.co.uk](http://www.prestongrange.primary.co.uk) there is a link to the new newsletter on the front page, or also under the 'newsletter' section. Thank you to Mrs Smith for pointing this out to us. We hope that this clarifies how to access the newsletters.

### Year 1 homework

Here are a few pictures of Year 1 with their binoculars which the children made for a homework project. The children used them to go on safari and write descriptions of what they spotted. We would like to thank parents for their help in supporting children on their homework project to make the binoculars.



### Dates for your diary - it's a busy half term !

Wed 11<sup>th</sup> June - Father's Day tuck shop

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 class assembly 9.15am

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June - High Borrans information evening for parents

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June - football presentation at The Village Hotel, 7pm

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> June - rearranged Year 6 cricket festival

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 'Hit the Surf' Tynemouth Longsands

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> June - new parents for Reception children meeting, 4pm

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> - Wed 25<sup>th</sup> June - Year 4 to Robinwood (residential)

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> June - TSB fun run (JSCHS) Years Rec- Year 3 am, Years 4-6 pm

Wed 25<sup>th</sup> June - Tynemouth Volunteer life brigade in school (pm): Drowning Prevention week

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5&6 Rounders (JSCHS) 3.30pm

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> June - Pirate day at John Spence (Year 5)

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> June - Year 4 'Murder at the Lighthouse' day (JSCHS staff at our school)

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> July - Meet your new teacher afternoon

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Year 5 visit to Beamish

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> July - STEM day at JSCHS (Year 6)

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Sports Day (starting 1.10pm)

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> July - Bling your bike & Bike It breakfast (more details to follow)

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> July - Party in the Park (choir) am

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> July - Friends of Preston Grange family barbecue (5.30pm- more details to follow)

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> - Fri 11<sup>th</sup> July - Years 5&6 at High Borrans (residential)

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> July - book fair starts after school

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> July - Year 1&2 football festival

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> July - Year 4 skipping final (North Tyneside) more details to follow

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> July - Languages day JSCHS (Year 5)

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> July - Show Racism the Red Card in school (Years 4 & 5)  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> July - Annual reports to parents  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> July - Fire Safety visit to school (Year 1 & 5)  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> July - Mayor presentation of Dyslexia Friendly School Award (pm)  
Tues 15<sup>th</sup> July - Open afternoon (2.45pm) more details to follow  
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 production (1.30pm)  
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> July - NUFC Family Football event at St James' Park (5.30pm)  
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 production (5.30pm)  
Fri 18<sup>th</sup> July - break up for Summer

Please note, the children return to school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September due to two teacher training days.

Tracey Taylor, Headteacher, June 10<sup>th</sup> 2014