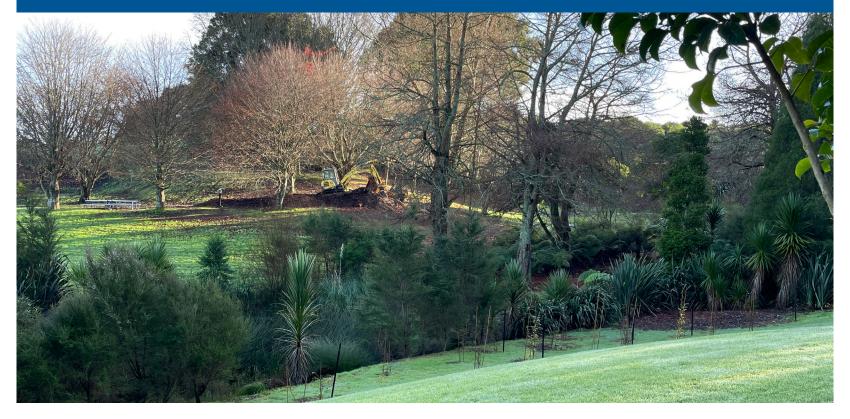
PRESTON PARK

Manager's Newsletter | Winter 2025



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Dear Parents, Staff and Students, Welcome to BC & Term 3 2025

A promise of a cool, winter's term! To all 'BC newbies' whether staff, parents or students we wish you a very special and warm welcome.

Our Campus mission continues to provide families with the opportunities for 'the wise' (you) to 'seek Godly wisdom for your students to live life successfully' Jesus Christ is our wisdom - He is the living Word - He is 'with you' and He is 'for you' and LOVES you!'

The heavy winter rains continue to wreak havoc with our steep rock faces and sandy based soils! Erosion is a major problem. Planting trees is our major strategy to strengthen the fragile slopes.

Pest control is another issue for us. We lose many of our birds in the nest!! Is there a parent will to assist me with this matter?? We had an energetic parent who served the park for 5 years and ran the bait-lines that eradicated rats, stouts, possums etc.

The autumn/winter pruning has been ongoing. Trees in the Park continue to prosper and the growth in PP is amazing and therefore demanding.

I enjoy pruning of the new trees. This is continual job no matter the season!

The main projects this year (Our financial year goes from 1/7/25 - 30/6/26)

1. To cut a new track. From 'central' where the tracks converges and the Wi-Fi and the power is! The long

- fragile track heads west, slightly up hill toward the rugby club rooms. Rob V will be laying the gravel when the soil is dry. All Park tracks will be re-graded and gravelled.
- 2. Revise our Master Plan include the new Track names and colours - see last season newsletter
- 3. Instal a Water Feature The water wheel at the head of the Lake to improve water circulation and oxygenation.



General Information:

What will make our park - GOOD?

- Having a clear vision and objective for the park in the first place – seeing the 'finished product!'
- Careful planning and designing our strategic Plan 2025-26
- Knowing your 'clientele?' BC community is our target market - PP exists for God's glory and as a sanctuary of beauty and a place of education!
- Maximize our potential with your ideas and inspiration.
 Friends feel free to offer your 'pennies' worth. Have a sense of ownership in the PP Project!
- PP is a place, not a design. PP must convey a strong sense of BC community, being a comfortable aesthetic that includes the potential for activities and interactions.

Comfortable seating and landscaping as well as largescope lawns that connect people to the space.

As a sanctuary we want people to linger, relax, enjoy the ambiance, and the beauty of God's creation. We must work with the natural environment to best offer a natural visual experience.

Consider the following questions:

- What elements will make PP extraordinary or memorable, and/or offer an atmosphere of pleasant surprise or discovery?
- Does the BC community take ownership and maintain a strong commitment to keeping the park usable and pleasant for the long term?
- Does the space have a sense of importance? What qualities or characteristics contribute to this notion?
- Is the space considered sacred? Are we striving to create a park that inspires and gives you opportunities to contemplate life?
- Are we recording the park's history? How is this history going to be passed on from one generation to the next?

What are our key architectural elements: trees, gardens, tracks, seating, picnic areas, shelters and garbage bins?

Shalom

Graham C Preston









'The Park exists to glorify God, by providing a place of natural beauty and meaningful education for everyone'.