

Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence

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Week 11 Term 1

5th April 2011



Date	Next fortnight's activities
7th April	Bike Fun Day/Easter Raffle draw
8th April	Last day of Term 1
28th April	Students return for Term 2
3rd May	Playgroup SMIS 9.30-11.00am

Baker, Baker
There will be no
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this Friday.

Dear Families and Friends of Stanford Merthyr

I can't believe we are in the last week of the term. I would like to congratulate and thank all students, parents and staff for their dedication and hard work in making a difference. Our school is a wonderful reflection of the community support that makes our school a special place.

Today we invited families into the classroom to work with their children and see a typical morning at Stanford Merthyr Infants. Please remember parents, you don't need an invitation, as you are always more than welcome at any time and I know teachers and students really value your support in the classroom. If you can spare some time to take part in your child's classroom or the wonderful programs we have running, like our special interest groups, please see the teacher or myself. I know parents and grandparents are already doing a lot for our school from being involved in the P&C, changing our noticeboard, barbeques, canteen, fruit break preparation, ordering fruit and vegetable boxes, school grounds and gardens are just to name a few.



It was brought to our attention that parents and students really wanted an Easter parade.



We thought we could include it in the Bike day on Thursday because of the timing of Easter this year. We have realised how impractical it would be to decorate helmets so we are having an Easter egg hunt as well as drawing the Easter raffle.

On Friday morning, students will be decorating a mask that the P&C have kindly organised for every child. At lunchtime (11.15am) you are invited to come over for lunch with your child and then the students will parade their masks and sing some assembly songs with Mrs Sellens, Miss Webb and Miss Wilkinson.

Mr Ping, Miss Humbles and myself will be attending a compulsory training afternoon at Thornton PS with the L3 program. This is a literacy, language and learning program that we are committed to through National Partnership to support students to succeed in literacy.



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Thinking of selling or leasing your property? Don't forget to contact Renee at Sylvester Real Estate in Kurri Kurri. For every house Renee sells she will donate money to our school.

Again thank you for your continued support over the term and I look forward to working with you and your child to achieve their goals.

Thought of the week

At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us.

Have a safe and wonderful break!

Kathryn Duncan 😊
Principal

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Easter Raffle

The Easter raffle will be drawn this Thursday at the bike fun day, so don't forget to return your tickets to school by Wednesday to be in the draw.

Mother's Day

If you want your child to buy from the Mother's Day stall, don't forget to fill in your order form which has been in the last two newsletters and put it in the P & C box at the office window.

Our next meeting is on Friday 13th May.

We hope you have a safe and happy Easter.
Thank you for all of your support.

P & C Committee

P & C News



BIKE DAY REMINDER

Just a reminder that bike day is on this **Thursday 7th April** at Peace Park. Children need to be there for a **9.30am start** and they are to bring a packed lunch, recess, water, hat and sunscreen. A helmet must also be worn by all children on the day as well as full school uniform and covered shoes. Permission notes were due back on Monday 4th April. Anyone that has not yet filled out their permission note please fill one out as soon as possible as groups for the day are being organised. The day will finish at 2.30pm, and all parents are encouraged to stay throughout the day with their children and participate in the activities. Looking forward to a fun exciting day.
Samantha Webb

PARENT INFORMATION SHEET

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRES

They will assess eyes/ears/speech then refer

CESSNOCK
4991 0438

KURRI KURRI
4936 3282

MAITLAND
4939 2170

Maitland Community Centre	4933 4422
Kurri Hospital	4936 3200
Cessnock Hospital	4991 0555

COMMUNITY DENTAL SERVICE

Hunter Area Health Service
Allandale Hospital
Allandale Rd
Cessnock 4990 0210 Mon - Fri 8.30-5.00pm

AUSTRALIAN HEARING

The Albion Centre
Albion Street
Maitland 4937 9700

Loretta McSween	-	Private Audiologist
74 Mitchell Street		
Merewether 4963 1300		

OPSM - Maitland
Philip Bowes Optometrist
418A High Street Maitland 4934 2120

OPSM - Cessnock (near Target)
Louie Loizou 4990 1766

BEHAVIOURAL OPTOMETRIST
Kevin O'Brien
73 John Street
Singleton 6572 2934

HUNTER PRELUDE KURRI KURRI 4937 4549
Early Intervention

TILLY'S PRESCHOOL ABERMAIN 4930 4010

"DAVID PORTER"
Clinical Psychologist
At Community Health Centre
EAST MAITLAND
(ADD/ADHD) Speciality



*HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE WHO HAVE
CELEBRATED A BIRTHDAY !*



Ashtyn Bean
Shilah Gamble

1/2S
K/1P

26/03/11
30/03/11

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS;
*At the assembly on Friday 1st April 2011
these children all received awards.*

1/2S	K/1P	KH
Aryan McLean Great work in all areas	Anthony Johnson Using a number line for addition	Olivia Falko Writing numbers to 10
Jordyn Atkinson Using new reading strategies	Liam Bailey Using sound knowledge in reading	Brock Allaway Recognising and using sounds in reading
Jack Ross Great work in all areas	Shilah Gamble Working hard to follow the 5L's	Halle Saunders Always having a positive attitude and big smile
Aiden Blishen Cuneo Confidence	Riley Chapple Getting Along	Hunter Williams Persistence
<p align="center">READING AWARDS BRONZE</p> <p>Jade Roberts Olivia Falko Samantha Falko Bella Hilton Jay Osland</p> <p align="center">SILVER</p> <p align="center">Johannes Basedow Madison Todhunter</p>		
<p align="center">PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS (Five Awards) Jay Osland Jordyn Atkinson</p>		

