

# Newsletter to Parents

## STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence

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Week 2 Term 2

3rd May 2011



Date	Next fortnight's activities
6th May	Mother's Day stall
10th May	Playgroup SMIS 9.30-11.00am
12th May	Bike Fun Day
17th May	Small School's Athletic carnival

**Baker, Baker**

KH Kyra Laverty  
K/1P Madison Todhunter  
1/2S Aiden Blishen Cuneo

**No peanut products are to be used**

### Dear Families and Friends of Stanford Merthyr

Welcome back everyone ! It is always amazing to see how much the students grow and change over the 2 week holidays.

Shortly we will send out the Term 2 calendar of dates and events happening at our school this term. Our Term 2 is full of excitement and wonderful experiences.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, the staff came in and participated with other schools in professional development on Quality Teaching and Talking and Listening. Just as our students are responsible for their learning, so are the teachers. These days were very beneficial and reinforced what teachers are already doing, as well as learning something new that would support what we are doing as a school and in the classroom. Tomorrow, Mr Ping and Miss Humbles will be going to Thornton PS for the morning to observe the Program L3 that we are training in this year.

We had our first session of Special Interest groups on Monday (2-3 pm). We had students making pizza's with real tomato sauce and basil from our vegetable garden. The students found it interesting to see the colour of their tomato sauce compared to the one that comes out of the bottle. We would really appreciate parents helping with

these groups, as the more hands on deck we have then the more can be accomplished in a lesson.

Jennie Capstick will be away for most of this term as she has had heart surgery. She is recovering very well and growing stronger every day with all the walking she has been doing. She has left us with strict instructions about the garden so between the students and staff and knowledgeable parents and grandparents we seem to be doing ok. Miss Webb will be taking her position on the Monday and overseeing the individual students programs until she returns.

Next week, we will have a rugby League workshop on Tuesday for all students, and fingers crossed for fine weather on Thursday as we will have the Bike day that was postponed last term. I am looking forward to our first P&C meeting for the term as they have many fantastic things happening for your children and families. Please make the effort to come on Friday 13th at 9.30 am as it is the forum for you to have a say in your child's education at Stanford Merthyr Infants.

The Magic Behaviour workshop is on next Wednesday evening from 7-8 pm for parents looking for some answers with behaviour



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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.

management with their child. This will be run by Lyn Russell who is a behaviour specialist, who has worked at our school. Please let Wendy know if you are coming to organise resources and supper.

Last term students all worked out goals that they are working towards achieving this term. This was done in the 3 way conferences with the student, teachers and parents. The feedback was very positive and students will be responsible for putting in place strategies that will help them achieve their goals.

Please remember if you have any questions or concerns or want to say something great you have noticed at our school we would love to hear from you.

Thought of the week

**Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal. ~Henry Ford**

Have a fantastic week!

Kathryn Duncan  
Principal



If you are dropping your child off late of a morning or picking them up early of an afternoon you must come to the office and sign the appropriate form before going to class.

### Student Banking

Student banking is conducted every Monday morning. Please leave your bank book at the office. Every time your child banks they will collect a token which is then redeemed for prizes throughout the year, at the same time adding to their life long savings.

### P & C News

#### Mother's Day

Welcome back everybody, we hope you had a great holiday. Our Mother's Day stall will be held this **Friday 6th May**, so, if you haven't already put your order in you have until Thursday. Place your order in the P & C Box in the office. An order form is enclosed in the newsletter.

Our next meeting is on **Friday 13th May at 9.30am.**

#### Canteen

From Monday 9th May there will be a canteen price increase. Please see the canteen for the new prices.

The canteen are selling Thompsons Meat Pies to anyone that is interested. They are selling 6 pies for \$8.00.

P & C Committee



## MOTHER'S DAY STALL

I request for my child/children.....of class.....

to purchase.....items at a cost of \$5.00 each.

Total enclosed \$.....

Parent/Guardian signature.....



If you are looking for these features in a playgroup, PHONE 4937 1192. We are looking forward to your call!

Dear Parents,

As we all know, last term in library the children learnt about Road Safety. As an educational excursion for students to demonstrate their knowledge of bike safety, we are still planning to have our annual Bike Education Day. This term it is planned to be held on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of May**. It will be held at Peace Park where the children will be given the chance to bring their bikes and scooters and ride around the park. As we have done in previous years, the children and their bikes will need to be brought by private transport to the park and collected the same way as well. The children will need to be there by **9.30 am**. There will be a riding track and activities set up and run for the children on the day. Children must bring a helmet to wear during the day, if a child does not have their helmet, they will not be allowed to ride.

Children are to be dressed in full school uniform and have their hats, lunches and recess with them. Covered in shoes (eg joggers) are to be worn. In the case the day is hot; please make sure your child has adequate drinks with them. We will have a large water dispenser with us. They will also need to wear sunscreen.

All children will need to be collected from Peace Park at **2.30 p.m.**

In the event of rain, an announcement will be placed with the local radio stations 2KO/KOFM and NEW FM by 7.30a.m. If our day has to be cancelled it is proposed that we will postpone it until later in the term. (We pray this doesn't happen again!).

Looking forward to a fun, educational and rewarding day.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Samantha Webb



### **Bike Education Day 2011**

I give permission for my child/children.....of class.....  
to participate in Bike Education Day on the 12<sup>th</sup> May at Peace Park. My child will  
be bringing a                      - 2 wheel bike: Yes ☐      No ☐

                                                 - scooter: Yes ☐      No ☐

Signed.....parent/caregiver.....date.....

**Please return permission note by Tuesday 10th May.**