

Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence

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Week 4 Term 3

9th Aug 2011



| Date | Next fortnight's activities |
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| 12th Aug | P & C Meeting 9.30am |
| 16th Aug | Playgroup SMIS 9.30-11.00am Technology Workshop 2.30pm |
| 25th Aug | "Reading in the Street" 9.00am-11.45am |
| 30th Aug | Fabulous Fathers Fun Day |
| 7th Sept | Life Education |

Baker, Baker

KH Rylee Norris
K/1P Saska Cooper
1/2S Daniel Sherlock

No peanut products are to be used

Dear Families and Friends of Stanford Merthyr

We are now in week 4 with weather that is forever changing. Please make sure your child has a jumper in their bag as some students & teachers have been caught out because of the beautiful mornings.

Every week is Education Week

I have included some of the Term 2 Maths at Stanford Day photos in this newsletter because to us education week is every week. Parents are welcome at any time to be a part of their child's learning in the classroom. We are always looking for parents / grandparents to help our students in the classroom. Miss Humbles is desperate for some willing parents to help play games with the students in Literacy and Maths. Please let your child's teacher know if you can help.

Technology Workshop for Parents

On the **16th August at 2.30pm**, Miss Humbles will be presenting a Technology workshop for parents. This will help parents to

- gain information from our school website,
- see the great internet sites that teachers use in the classrooms
- understand computer homework that students can do

I know Kindergarten are using the homework site and loving doing this type of homework. You do not

have to have any computer skills to attend, just join other parents for a cuppa and to gain a better understanding about how we use technology in the class room.

Edfest

Congratulations to the wonderful performance of our students in 2011 Edfest. The students whose art works were selected to be on display and the students who performed on the night were absolutely fantastic and represent their school with pride. Kyra Laverty, Mia Brady, Jai Langman and Cooper Fox received a certificate on the night for their art work. Thank you to Miss Humbles and Mrs Sellens for their hard work on the Edfest committee. The 2 nights were a great success in showing what is happening in the local schools of Kurri Kurri LMG. (Stanford Merthyr Infants, Pelaw Main, Mulbring, Weston, Kurri Kurri Primary school and Kurri Kurri High School)

P&C

We have our P&C meeting this **Friday at 9.30 am**. Please come long and join the other parents in making a difference at our school. Thank you to the P&C parents for giving up their time to organise the family photos. The pie drive was another successful fundraiser that our fantastic P&C had



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& Training

organised. Thank you ladies for the sorting and organising of the orders. Thank you everyone for supporting our school.

Stockland Star

Thank you to all the students who have helped Samantha and Oliva's mum, Rebecca, in making the Stockland Star. It is based around the theme The Lorax, by Dr Suess.

Thank you to Samantha for the advertising blurb she has done for the newsletter. Voting starts on Monday 15th August. Just take your docket to the service desk and have it recorded against our star. By visiting www.stockland.com.au/greenhills, you will have access to all the up to date tally boards and information.

School Organisation

Thank you to the school community for your support with our unavoidable changes with classes. Miss Webb is doing a great job with Year 1/ 2 S and unfortunately Mr Ping has injured his back and won't be back to work until next Tuesday. We wish him a speedy recovery. Mrs Vickers had a holiday in the snow booked before her appointment at our school as Librarian. We are lucky enough to have wonderful relief teachers, Mrs Beech and Mrs Brady, to replace staff and help with continuity.

Fabulous Father Fun Day

On **Tuesday the 30th August** we will be recognising our wonderful dads and granddads, brothers, uncles etc (all the important men in the lives of the students). This will be done by having our Fabulous Fathers' Fun Day. The students will be involved in exciting activities that all can join in with. It is always a great day with lots of laughs and learning. Please keep this date free so you can be a part of our celebration.

A separate note will be given out next week.

Farewell the Hiltons

It is usually at the end of the year we thank our families for their support and the many contributions they make to the school.

Unfortunately for us, we are saying it to Bella. Lincoln, Lindy and Rodney Hilton. We wish them all the best for the future and looking forward to seeing them soon.

Thought of the week

Pressure makes diamonds

Have a fantastic week and remember the awesome moments of each day!

Kathryn Duncan 😊
Principal

Term 3 Kids' Councillors

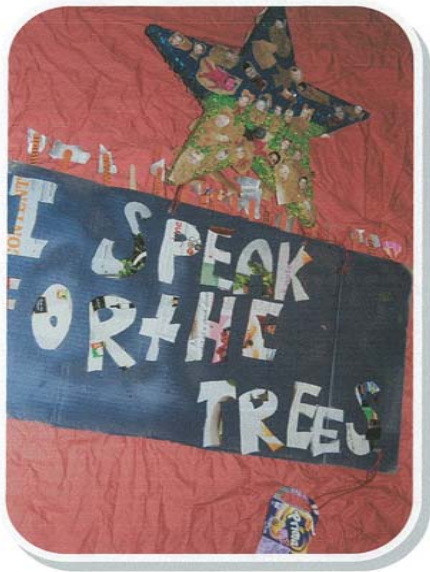
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| Kyra Laverty | Aiden Blishen Cuneo |
| Koby Carmody | Jordyn Atkinson |
| Aura Atkinson | Emma Caulson |
| Graham Wood | |

Book Week

This year book week will be in week 6 of Term 3. "Reading in the Streets" will be held on **Thursday 25th August**, where the students will catch a bus up to the main street of Kurri Kurri for a special day of celebrating books! The students will leave school at 9.00am and start at the library to participate in activities from book week books. Then at 10.15am the students will begin to walk around in groups to different businesses for book readings. The students can dress up as any character out of a book of their choosing. The bus will pick the students up at 11.45am and take them back to school for a picnic lunch with the parents and for the book week costume parade. The winners of the book week colouring in competition (**due Friday the 19th August**) will also be announced and a book fair will be held in the library at lunch time for students to browse with parents and purchase books. 30% of all book sales will be given back to the school. On the Stanford Merthyr Infants school website there are a variety of games and activities based on book week for students to play and participate in if they wish.

Looking forward to a wonderful and exciting day!
Miss Webb

STOCKLAND STAR AT GREEN HILLS



If you're shopping at Greenhills don't forget to vote for
Stanford Merthyr's Stockland Star Entry!!

Help our school win!!

Students used the Dr Suess book 'The Lorax' for inspiration in
creating their star.

Their theme reminds us all to look after the trees!!



The Stockland Star was made by Stanford Merthyr Infants School classes,
1/2S, K/1P and KH. Ms Fowles helped them make the brown bar-ba-loots
and used things like poppers and magazines. We used paddle pop sticks to
make truffula trees.

Please vote for our star when you go shopping at green hills.

By Samantha Falko

*Congratulations to our
Education Week Award
Recipients*

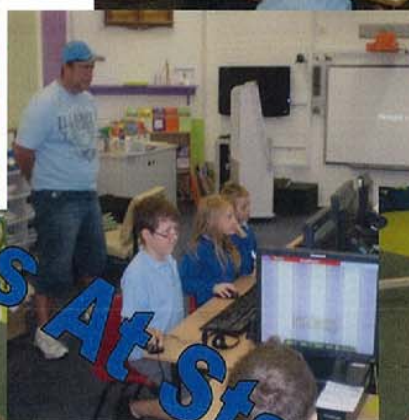
*Ms Sarah Wilkinson, Mrs Tracy Osland
Daniel Sherlock (1/2S) & Jay Osland (1/2S) with
the School award for our
Aboriginal Boy's Dance Group*



Our students performing at Edfest



Celebrating Education at Stanford Merthyr





Kurri Kurri Little Athletics Centre inc

2011/2012 Season Registrations

1st registration day: Saturday 13th August 9am to noon at Kurri Kurri Farmers Markets

2nd registration night: Tuesday 16th August 5.30 pm to 7pm at McDonalds Restaurant Kurri Kurri

3rd registration night: Friday 19th August 5.30 pm to 7pm at Birralee Park, Heddon St, Kurri Kurri

4th registration night: Friday 27th August 5.30 pm to 7pm at Birralee Park, Heddon St, Kurri Kurri

Must be 3 years to 16 years as at midnight on 30/9/2011

New Registrations must show proof of D.O.B.

www.kurrikurrielittleathletics.com.au

49 371621 or 49 380472

The Learning Ladder is having a Hunter Region Mini Catalogue Launch.

The Learning Ladder provides Educational Book
Toys and Games for ALL aged children
From Birth to late Primary School.
(+ some for parents as well)

NEW catalogue Out Now

Launch to be held at
East Maitland Bowling Club
Next Tuesday 16th August
10.00am – 1.00pm
Cost = \$5.00 p/person

Come along and see lots of new products
and old favourites.

Raffle prizes

Lucky door prizes

Joining offer also available

Bring a friend and get an extra ticket in the raffle.

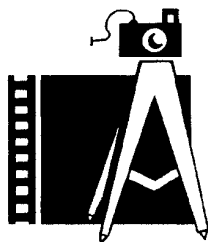
" Goodie Bags " will be available to take home (includes gift valued over \$15)
(Children may attend but need to be kept under your supervision)

RSVP before Friday 12 August

Wendy Sherlock – 49 371016

OR wendy.sherlock@bigpond.com

Thank you for participating in the Advancedlife Family Portrait Fundraiser.



An adult person appearing in the Family Portrait
may only view his/her own portraits.

Additional portraits may be purchased on the collection day.

Your collection day is:

Thursday 25th August 2011

Time: **2.30 - 4.30** Tel: 0414 557 221 (Yvonne Kwon)





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE WHO HAVE CELEBRATED A BIRTHDAY !



There were no birthdays to celebrate this week, but to any family members we wish them many happy returns.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS;
*At the assembly on Friday 5th Aug 2011
these children all received awards.*

| 1/2S | K/1P | KH |
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| Zoe Unicom Excellent efforts in division | Liam Smith Excellent effort in descriptive writing | Brayden Ling Effort in learning his numbers |
| Emma Caulson Great effort in reading groups | Laura Bajric Always trying her best | Jade Roberts Confident, expressive reading |
| Marty Williams Exemplary effort in all areas | Saska Cooper Settling well into K/1P | Elliya Shields Settling well into Kinder and SMIS |
| Taynaya Conn Resilience | Shilah Gamble Persistence | Luke Dietrich Organisation |
| <p align="center">READING AWARDS</p> <div> <p>BRONZE Aryan McLean Morrissey Marshall Brenton</p> <p>SILVER Max Stauffer Abby Stauffer</p> </div> | | |
| <p align="center">PRINCIPAL'S AWARD Koby Carmody Imogen Atkinson</p> | | |
| <p align="center">STAR STUDENT AWARD Liam Bailey</p> | | |

