

Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence

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Week 6 Term 2

4th June 2013

BAKER, BAKER

KP Troy Thomas
1H Indyanna Snow
2BV Cameron Patterson
No peanut products are to be used

FRUIT BREAK ROSTER

Parents are asked to cut up fruit & vegs for class platters

07/06 Nicole Turner
14/06 Tenielle Allaway

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 05/05 Kylie Wells
Fri 07/05 Julie Williams
Emma Stauffer
Mon 10/06 Public Holiday

Dear Families and friends of Stanford Merthyr Infants

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Success seems to be largely a matter of hanging on after others have let go."
William Feather

SMALL SCHOOLS CARNIVAL

It was unfortunate that it was wet when we arrived at Turner Park last week. The children enjoyed the bus trip and stopping at McDonalds on the way back to school. We will have our sports carnival with Nillo School during term 3, which will be held here at Stanford.

GIRLS SINGING AT THE SEBEL AT KIRKTON PARK

Teachers from all over the Hunter Valley are having a day of professional development this **Thursday 6th June** at the Sebel at Kirkton Park and the girls are singing there. Please ensure the permission note is signed by Thursday. There is no cost for the bus.

UNIFORM FOR THE GIRLS CHOIR for Thurs
Please can the girls wear their sports uniforms with their skorts and not long pants. White socks and black shoes please. Lisa Williams has offered to braid all the girls who have long hair if they bring their own comb please.

Contribution Fees
\$40 per student per year

Special Interest Groups
\$12 per student per year

Small School's Athletics Carnival
\$9 per student

Oakvale Farm (Kinder only)
\$11 per student (3 yrs & over)
\$19 per Adult

ASSEMBLY ROSTER FOR TERM TWO

7th June	Kinder item
14th June	Year 1 item
21st June	Year 2 present work
28th June	Kinder present work

PICKING CHILDREN UP FROM SCHOOL

Parents, if you need to pick your child up from school before the bell goes, it is vital you come to the office first and sign them out. Wendy will ring to the classroom and ask your child to come up to the office and meet you there. This is the only way we can ensure we know where all children are at all times. Thank you.

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY AND SPECIAL MEAL DEAL THIS FRIDAY. COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE SPORTING TEAM OR SPORTS PERSON.

We look forward to seeing everyone dressed in their colours of their favourite sporting team or sports character this Friday 7th June. It is a gold coin donation to come out of uniform.

Thankyou to the parents cooking the BBQ on Friday and preparing the special meal deal in the canteen.

There will be no other canteen foods sold on Friday. Please see the special meal deal order form in this newsletter. These need to be placed in the P & C Box in the foyer by Thursday at 3pm please.

SCHOOL DISCO AND MCDONALDS NIGHT

We had a lot of fun at the disco on Friday night. The children were very well behaved and appreciated the teachers joining in. I want to thank all the staff for supporting the night and giving extra time to make the night fun for all the children. We all enjoyed eating at McDonalds and I hope the parents enjoyed having time to socialise. McDonalds are donating \$190 to the school from the proceeds of the hour we were there. This is fantastic and will go towards purchasing i-pads for the classes.

PHOTOS FROM THE DISCO



CINDY LEAVING PLAYGROUP

We farewelled Cindy last Tuesday as she is embarking on a jewellery making trade and is setting up a workshop from her new home to begin to make items she hopes to sell. Cindy has been a catalyst in improving our playgroup this year and I know the parents and children will miss her. We wish Cindy every success in her new venture. We welcome Fiona Pickard-Ling who began today working with Maree Brown and we know she will enjoy working with all the lovely mums and their children.

KINDER EXCURSION TO OAKVALE FARM

Kindergarten will be having an excursion to Oakvale Farm on Friday 14th June or Friday 21st June if it is wet. We appreciate parents being prepared to drive and take other students. An adult will need to accompany each person who is driving. We will send another permission note out next week letting you know which parent your child is going with. We welcome all Kindy parents and their pre-schoolers to come with us.

YEAR ONE AND YEAR TWO SPEECHES

All children in Year One and Year Two have prepared a one minute speech that they are presenting on palm cards to their classes. Five children from each class will be selected to say their speech using the video conferencing. Year One will speak to the Year One class at Pelaw Main School and Year2 will speak to the Year 2 class at Nillo Infants School. This will happen during the last week of term.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS TOMORROW

Our second session for Special Interest Groups will be tomorrow at 2pm. All parents and grandparents are very welcome.

P&C MEETING

Thank you to everyone who attended the P&C meeting last night. Our next meeting will be Monday 22nd July at 6:30pm.

Anne Carr
Principal.

Head lice life cycle

- Adult female lives for about 30 days
- Female lays egg and cement it to hair shaft
- After about seven days, nymph hatches
- Nymph moults three times, reaching adult stage in six to 10 days

IMPORTANT FACTS IN UNDERSTANDING HEAD LICE

- Head lice cannot fly, hop or jump. Direct hair to hair contact is the only means of transmission.
- Head lice only live on the human head – they do not live on other parts of the body or on animals.
- They cling to hair close to the head, especially behind the ears and on the nape of the neck.
- Mature lice are about 3mm long and are generally beige, brown or black.
- Fertilised females can lay between 5 to 10 eggs a day.
- After about seven days the egg hatches, leaving an empty egg case or "nit" stuck to the hair.
- The oval yellowish-white eggs are glued individually to hair shafts at the scalp, as they need the heat of the scalp to incubate. Eggs attached to hair further away have already hatched or (if dark in colour) contain dead embryos.
- Young lice (nymphs) are white and smaller than adults.
- Over the next six to ten days, nymphs moult three times and grow into mature lice.
- Head lice feed four to five times a day, piercing the skin and sucking blood from the host's scalp.
- They cannot survive away from the host for more than 12 hours.
- Change bed linen and wash and line dry, preferably in the sun.
- All family members with head lice should be treated on the same day to avoid re-infestation.
- To avoid spread of infestation do not share brushes, hats, towels or pillows.
- To clean and disinfect all hair brushes, combs and hair accessories, use HYGIENE HERO after treatment.
- Head lice do not live on pets so treatment of pets is not required.
- Shaving the head is not an effective treatment as the lice are laid against the scalp.

Calendar of Events for Term Two 2013

Every Tuesday from 12th February	Playgroup for all children birth to 5 years 9:30am-11:00 here at school
Every Thursday from 7th February	Delta dog reading program
Wednesdays, 5th June, 12th June, 19th June	Special Interest Groups for Term 2
Thursday 6th June	Girls perform at the Sebel at Kirkton Park for the Engagement Symposium.
Friday 7th June	Out of uniform day. Come dressed in your favourite sports teams colours. There will be a special lunch deal for children at the canteen.
Thursday 13th June	Speech Therapy information afternoon for parents, run by Ann-Marie Lawrence. Newcastle University Lecturer 2pm in the library.
Friday 14th June	Kindergarten excursion to Oakvale Farm
Monday 17th June	Mini-Lit progress report for parents at 2pm in Library
Tuesday 18th June	2014 Kindergarten students come for orientation 12:30-1:30
Friday 21st June	Back up date for Oakvale Farm
Monday 24th June	Maths ideas for parents with the Maths Consultant at 2pm in library
Wednesday 26th June	School reports handed out
Thursday 27th June	Class of the Term party
Friday 28th June	Last day of Term 2. Principal Party for children who attended home reading before school 85% which is 36 times during the term
Friday 28th June	Reward day disco for all children who have followed school rules this term
Friday 28th June	Final day for payment of \$12 for Special Interest Groups for 2013
Tuesday 16th July	Students return to school for Term 3

Special Interest Groups

Miss Humbles has requested if anyone could bring in empty
2Ltr or 4Ltr plastic ice cream containers
for her to use in her SIG, it would be very much appreciated.

Aura

2VB WORK

Halle

The Quoll

The quolls is an Australian marsupial mammal. //

The Quoll is the size of a rabbit it has a moist pink nose and white spiky

body. The Quoll has a white pointed tail. //

The Quoll lives in Australia and Tasmania in big rocky areas. //

Quolls eat meat, insects, snakes, small mammals and frogs. //

They hunt at night.

Quolls are Endangered. Endangered. The foxes and //



The Quoll

The Quoll is an Australian animal. The Quoll is a nocturnal marsupial. //

The Quoll has brown fur. It is a small mammal about the size of a rabbit. //

The Quoll has sharp teeth. It has a moist pink nose. //

The Quoll lives in forests and rocky areas. It lives in dens and burrows. //

Quoll eat insects, snakes, meat, lizards, reptiles, small mammals, frogs. They hunt at night. //



Cooper

The Quoll

The Quoll is a marsupial mammal that comes out at night. //

The Quoll is a small mammal about

the size of a rabbit. It has a moist pink nose, brown-black fur, sharp teeth, a long tail with a white tip on it. The Quoll has a pointed snout. //

The Quolls live in dens or burrows even in rocks. It lives in Kakadu National park. They are also found in Tasmania. //



The Quolls eat meat. //

Lilly

Quolls eat insects, lizards and meat. They hunt at night. //

Quolls are endangered. //



Good work Lilly.

because cats and foxes are killing them. //

Quoll is an Australian animal. It is a small marsupial. //



*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 31st May 2013
these children all received awards.*

2BV	1H	KP
Brock Allaway Fantastic improvement in maths strategies	Ellayn Smith Confidence in counting back	Rylan Johnstone Working hard in Maths groups
Aura Atkinson Exceptional effort in choir	Jackson Ferry A fantastic effort with his pet speech	Hannah McDonald Fantastic sentence writing
Koby Carmody Consistent work during songroom	Blair Walters Working hard to make the right choices	Charles Kiss Being the best classroom helper
Getting Along Jade Roberts	Persistence Nicolas Albrew	Persistence Madeline Nasr
Quality 5 Bookwork Aura Atkinson	Quality 5 Bookwork Keeley Scott	Quality 5 Bookwork Amber Offen

READING AWARDS

BRONZE AWARD

Caleb Jenkins, Amber Offen

SILVER AWARD

Mia Brady, Jackson Ferry, Lilly Winchester, Abby Stauffer

GOLD AWARD

DOUBLE BRONZE AWARD

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Blayde Hoy, Elliya Shields





Ngurra Bu

NAIDOC 2013



Our NAIDOC 2013 is almost upon us.....

.....so Ngurra Bu is ensuring that you have your celebration activities arranged & letting you know that we can assist you in arranging a variety of activities for this important week of celebration if you don't yet have anything organised.

We offer workshop activity days either at your school or at our camp located at beautiful, Culturally significant Wollombi.

Our days can consist of Cultural workshops like Art, Dance & Song, Artifacts etc, Classroom/Class group talks, Traditional Sites visits including Bushtucker walks.....or can be completely customised to suit your timetable & time frames.

For further information or bookings contact Adam Drylie on 0466917715 or go to our website www.ngurrabu.org

We look forward to being able to assist you in your activities for NAIDOC 2013 & wish you a fantastic week of celebrations.

**Earn & Learn
2013**



Help support our school!

Remember to collect Earn & Learn Points stickers when you shop at Woolies.

The more we collect, the more our school will benefit. This year we are aiming to redeem our Earn & Learn Points for XYZ equipment. The Woolworths Earn & Learn program ends on Sunday 9th June.

Thank you for your support.

SAUSAGE MEAL DEAL

FRIDAY 7TH JUNE

Deal 1

Sausage Sandwich

Tomato Sauce ☐

BBQ Sauce ☐

No Sauce ☐

Plain Chips

Slushy

Cost \$4.50

Deal 2

Sausage Sandwich

Tomato Sauce ☐

BBQ Sauce ☐

No Sauce ☐

Plain Chips

Apple Poptop ☐

Orange Poptop ☐

Cost \$3.50

Orders for this Meal Deal need to be placed in P & C Box in foyer by Thursday 6th June 3.00pm please.

Child's Name _____

Class _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

