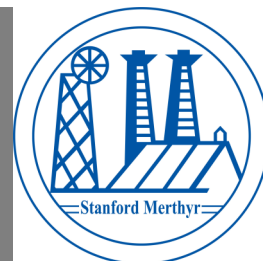


# Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence



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Week 1 Term 4

11th October 2016

## **BAKER, BAKER FRIDAY**

**14th Oct** KP Aydin Y  
K/1H Jade C  
1/2W Savannah H  
2M Jayla C

**21st Oct** KP Erin H  
K/1H Eli G  
1/2W Thomas S  
2M Sam K

**NO PEANUT PRODUCTS ARE TO BE USED**



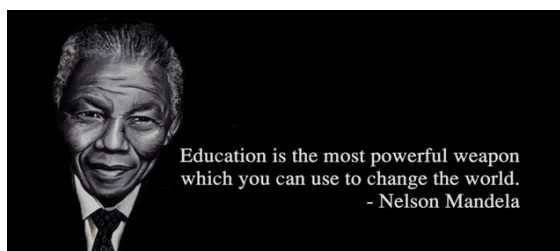
## **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Wed 12th Oct Shanelle  
Fri 14th Oct Tanya & Nikki  
Mon 17th Oct Emma  
Wed 19th Oct Leigh & Melissa  
Fri 21st Oct Kristy & Jamie  
Mon 24th Oct Kelly

## **THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK**

Thurs 13th October Nicole Sleeman  
Thurs 20th October Amy Hallett

Dear families and friends of Stanford Merthyr  
Infants: **THOUGHT FOR THE FORTNIGHT**



## **WELCOME BACK TO TERM 4**

I trust you all enjoyed the school holidays and have returned to school happy and healthy and ready for an exciting terms work.

## **EXCURSION TO HUNTER VALLEY ZOO AT CESSNOCK**

Our Term 4 whole school excursion is to Hunter Valley Zoo on **Friday 4th November**. The cost is \$21 per child, which includes entry fee of \$12 and bus fare of \$9. All children need to come on the bus. Parents are welcome to join us, but must pay entry fee of \$26:10 at the gate. Permission notes are now available at the office.

## **TERM 3 TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM**

Christine Hammond from Family Insight ran the Term 3 transition to school program.



## **Term 4 Fridays Assembly Roster**

<b>Fri 14th Oct</b>	<b>K/ 1H show work</b>
<b>Fri 21st Oct</b>	<b>KP show work</b>
<b>Fri 28th Oct</b>	<b>2M class item</b>
<b>Fri 4th Nov</b>	<b>No assembly- Hunter Valley Zoo excursion</b>
<b>Fri 11th Nov</b>	<b>Back up date for excursion if wet. Or 1/2 class item</b>
<b>Fri 18th Nov</b>	<b>K/1H class item</b>
<b>Fri 25th Nov</b>	<b>KP class item</b>
<b>Fri 2nd Dec</b>	<b>Awards only</b>
<b>Fri 9th Dec</b>	<b>Awards only.</b>

## **TERM 4 TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM**

This program begins next Wednesday and will go for six weeks from 12 noon until 2pm each week. I encourage you to have your child here each week as this is the best opportunity for them to make friends, learn about the school and become comfortable with their teachers. I will be running parent information sessions for the first two weeks with guest presenters coming.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO JODIE PETERSON**

Jodie gave birth to her beautiful daughter, Lhotse, just before the holidays. We are all thrilled at this news and she wanted all the children to know.

Calendar of Events for Term Four 2016	
Thursdays all year	P&C provide fruit & vegetable platters for the children
Every Tuesday from 11th Oct	Playgroup for all children birth to 5 years 9:15am-11:00 here at school
Tuesdays all term	Boys Dance and Girls choir practices during lunch times
Thursdays 13th, 20th, 27th Oct	Special Interest Groups-5th rotation
Thursday 13th October	Weston Public School visiting 10.00 am
Friday 14th October	Fire Education Lessons 12.00-1.30 pm
Monday 17th October	Buddy Training Day
Tuesday 18th October	Kurri Pre School Visit 12.00 pm
Tuesday 18th October	Jess Black Author Visit 2.00 pm
Wednesdays 19th, 26th Oct, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd Nov	Kindergarten Transition-12:00 noon-2pm
Thursday 20th October	Kurri Pre School visit 12.00pm
Monday 24th October	Parent Maths Workshop -9am- 11:15am
Tuesday 25th October	P&C Meeting 6.00 pm
Friday 28th October	Daniel Morcombe day
Fridays 28th October	Year 2 Transition at Pelaw Main Public School- 2:15-3:15pm
Thursdays 3rd, 10th, 17th Nov	Special Interest Groups- 6th rotation
Friday 4th November	Hunter Valley Zoo Excursion at Cessnock
Monday 7th Nov-Fri 2nd Dec	3rd Year University Student on placement with KP
Thursday 10th November	Pet Program 12.00- 1.30pm
Friday 11th November	Back up date for Hunter Valley Zoo Excursion if wet the week before
Fridays 11th, 18th, 25th Nov and 2nd Dec	AFL coaching here for K-2 -4 sessions for each grade each week.
Friday 11th November	Year 2 Transition at Pelaw Main Public School -1:40pm-3:15pm
Friday 18th November	Year 2 Transition at Pelaw Main Public School- 11:30am -3:15pm
Friday 18th November	Official opening of the School Hall
Monday 21st Nov- 2nd Dec	10 days of Swimming 2.00-3.00 pm at Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre
Wednesday 23rd November	Movie/Pizza Night 5.00-7.00 pm
Wednesday 7th December	Parent Helper Lunch 11.15 am- 12.15 pm
Wednesday 7th December	Teddy Bear Picnic- 2017 Kinder Students 9.30-11.00 am
Thursday 8th December	Class of the term party
Monday 12th December	Presentation Day 1.30 pm
Tuesday 13th December	Reports handed out
Wednesday 14th December	Year 2 Assembly -2.00 pm in the hall
Thursday 15th December	Party Day
Friday 16th December	Fun Day



## FOOTY FUN DAY LAST DAY OF TERM

Our fun day of activities was a tabloid of football skills and games that children rotated around.



## TERM 3 AWARDS FOR 100% ATTENDANCE



Congratulations to the following students for achieving 100% attendance at school for Term 3.

Stella, Chelsea, Grace, Blake, Zahlia, Zalii, Tayah, Alannah and Hunter. Connor also had 100% but had an appointment on the last day of term.

## SCHOOL HALL NOW COMPLETED.

This has been a year's work in the making. All the funds raised from grants we have applied for, as well as the fundraising efforts that the school has been involved in, have enabled us to have an excellent facility now. If you have not seen inside, please come and attend one of our Friday assemblies.



## YEAR ONE BUDDY TRAINING DAY NEXT MONDAY

Next Monday Mr Ping and Miss Humbles will spend the day with all the Year One students helping prepare them to be excellent buddies for our new kindergarten students for 2017.

## KP TERM 3 CLASS OF THE TERM



Congratulations KP for getting the most points for Term 3. They enjoyed a free lunch on the final Thursday of term.

## The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

I will have computers set up and available in the library and staff room every Monday, Wednesday and Fridays until the end of next week to enable you to complete this survey for me please. It is all multiple choice and the parents who have already completed it, say it is easy to fill in. Your feedback will be appreciated very much as it helps me know what things are working here at Stanford Merthyr Infants School as well as giving the staff information as to what things we can improve in.

Nutrition Snippet

# The simplest way

...to serve up 2 and 5.

It is important to aim for a minimum of two serves of fruit and five serves of vegetables every day, for good health and to reduce cancer risk.

So how much is a serve? Here is a quick and easy guide:

**How much is 1 serve?**

For recipe ideas and inspiration visit:  
[eatittobeatit.com.au](http://eatittobeatit.com.au)  
[facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)  
[pinterest.com/cancercouncil/easy-fruit-veg](https://www.pinterest.com/cancercouncil/easy-fruit-veg)

**150 grams of fresh FRUIT or:**

1 medium piece (e.g. apple) = 2 small pieces (e.g. apricots) = 1 cup chopped or canned fruit

**75 grams of fresh VEG or:**

1/2 cup cooked veg or legumes = 1/2 medium potato = 1 cup salad or veg

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**Eat It To Beat It**

Anne Carr Principal





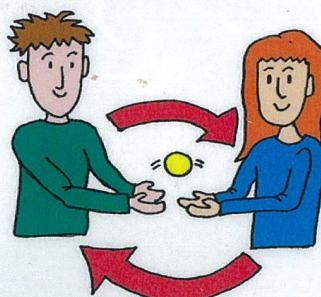
**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING FOCUS FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT.  
TERM 4**

**WEEK 1:** Children will be reminded about the safe use of playground equipment as well as how to treat classroom equipment safely. Children will be rewarded with Stan and Merthi tickets for following this PBL expectation.

This week the focus is to:

**Be Safe**

Use equipment  
safely



**Week 2:** Children will be reminded about using their 6 L's. *That stands for eyes looking, ears listening, lips closed, hands in laps, legs crossed.* If you do these 5 things, you are **ready to learn**. Teachers will explain what this means to all children. Children will be rewarded with Stan and Merthi tickets for following this PBL expectation.

This week the focus is to:

**Be Respectful**

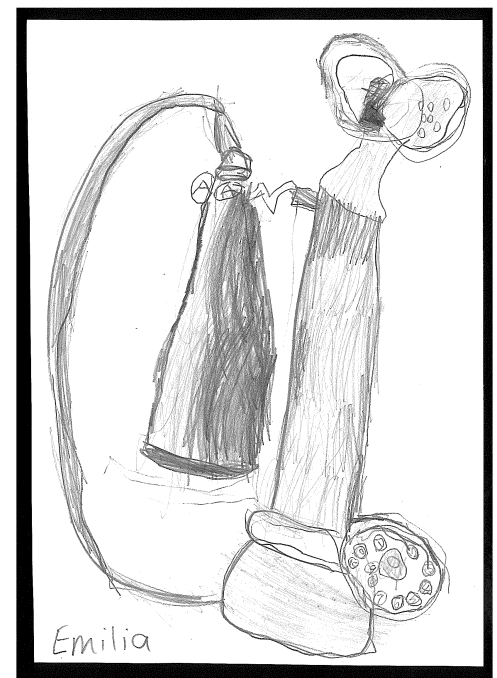
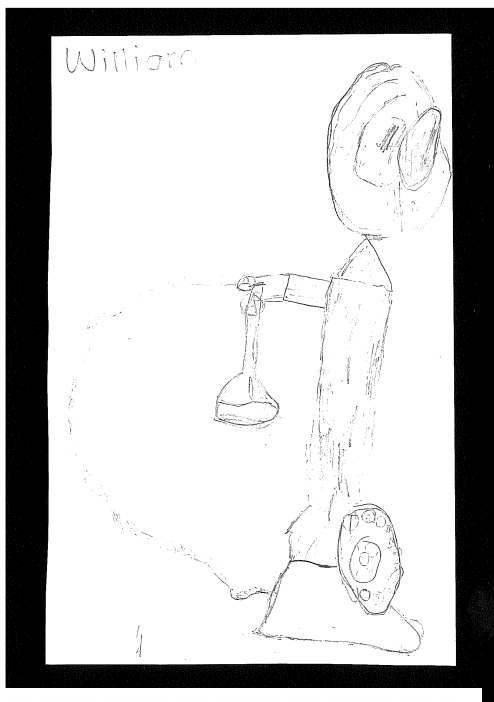
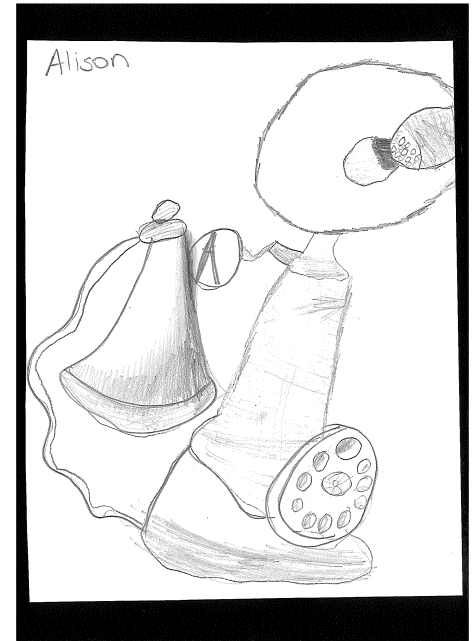
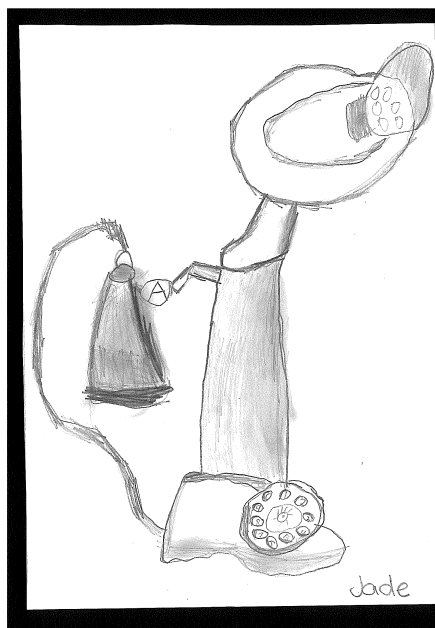
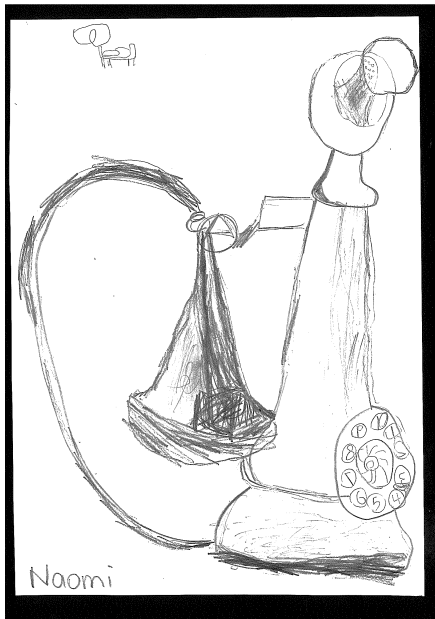
Use the 6L's



Please discuss these expectations with your children at home. It will be interesting to hear them explain to you what they have learnt. Several children have already been rewarded with their first reward for gaining five Stan and Merthi tickets.



ENJOY YEAR K/1H's STORIES AND ART WORK ABOUT THE PAST  
AREN'T' THEIR TELEPHONES TERRIFIC!!



Life was very different long ago.  
They were not allowed to put their elbows on the table.  
Now we are allowed to put our elbows on the Table.  
They didn't have cars .  
They had to ride a horse.  
Chores were very hard. They were boring.  
They did them before school. They had to wake up early.  
By Abbi



In the early, early days they didn't have electricity so they used candles. people thought they were very useful. The ladies had to set the table and on the table there was a little plate that was on top of the big plate .  
They didn't have washing machines so they used scrubbing boards and some soap.  
They didn't have computers so they used typewriters. Some children used typewriters because sometimes they wrote letters to their friends.

By Alison



Back in the past the boys and girls played tug a war and the naughty boys dipped the girls hair in ink.  
their bath was a metal tub.  
the phone was different to todays phone.

by Beau





In the past life was different.  
school was very hard because they had to sit in chairs all day. they always sat at their tables. they didn't use lead pencils they used ink. the teacher wrote on a chalk board. Today my teacher writes on a whiteboard.

by Cooper



In the past  
The polices killed a bush ranger.  
"Its very hard work"  
Said the police.  
School is very different now...  
Because when children are naughty they got hit with a cane in the olden days.

By Cru



In the past they had to use ink to write at school. The teacher used to use chalk boards at school. In the olden days they had wooden spinning tops and books to read. At school they needed to be tidy because if they were dirty they would be sent home. It is different and some things have changed.

The ladies makeup was made out of wax and they had to protect the wax from the fire by using a screen.

Long ago they needed candles because they had no power box.

By Eli



In the olden day people made their own food.  
In tennis in olden days the girls wore white skirts.  
But there is only some things you learned at school. They learned to write like us but they didn't use pencils they used ink.  
They scrubbed and scrubbed. in the olden days they didn't have washing machines they had to scrub with a scrubbing board.  
By Emilia



In the olden days they had to use candles because there was no electricity.

They had a bath once a week.

By Isabella



Life was very different long ago at school.  
They got the cane when they put the girls hair into the ink. School is different now. Now we don't get the cane any more but we get on the step. they used ink now we don't.  
Some people rode horses some kids rode bikes but in the olden days there were no cars.  
kids did chores before school. the hardest work ever was the scrubbing board. they had soap with it too and they needed a bucket and they got some pegs. They hung the washing out.

By Jackson



In the past school was different.  
In schools teachers had a cane for when the children are naughty. They played games like skipping.  
In the 1850's they created pennies.  
Children still do chores but children had to scrub the floor in the olden days.  
There was no electricity so they used candles at play time. The girls had to set the table.

By Jade



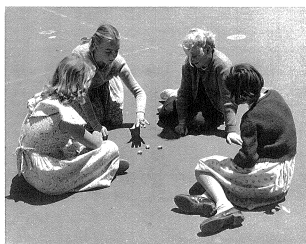
Life was very different in the past long ago.  
They played together with games like tug a war. The girls had to clean the table. They could only bath once a week.

By Kye



A long time ago they had no electricity or lights. They had to light candles to make light in the house. It was hard to make their own Food. In the olden days the women couldn't sit with arm rests on chairs because their dresses would go up.  
Olden day games were knuckles. You had to catch knuckles with the back of your hand.

By William



Life was very different long ago. they had chores to do. the women had set the Table. They had to clean the clothes. they Did Not have electricity. So they had to use a scrubbing board. They had to Make bread and had to feed the chickens.

They had candles because they had no electricity.

They had metal irons to iron the clothes

By Riley



In the past the table was set with a big plate and on the big plate there was a little plate. There was a little bowl, and next to the little plate was the butter plate.

The typewriter needs paper and ink. A typewriter is to write with. The ink is on a strip of material. They did not have computers.

By Naomi



Life was very different long ago.

In the olden days they did not have motorbikes. They rode horses.

By Lincoln



HANDON CAB photographed in London in 1895. (Shutterstock photo)

In the early days things were different to now.  
At school they had to have clean nails. In the morning they had to do their chores. On the weekend they would play out side and play with spinning tops and ropes. At home it was different to now. They didn't have light but they did have candles. The men were not allowed to work in the kitchen.

By Lhotse



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE CHILDREN WHO HAVE CELEBRATED !**



Sam K 4th Sept  
Patrick L 5th Sept  
Charlotte L 8th Sept  
Jason D 10th Sept

Emma Mac 11th Sept  
Kayde Mac 11th Sept  
Jackson R 14th Sept  
Andrew A 19th Sept

Danial H 20th Sept  
Alannah W 21st Sept

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

*At the assembly on Friday the 16th & 23rd September 2016, these children all received awards.  
Congratulations !!*

KP	K/1H	1/2W	2M
<b>Stella F</b> Fantastic Power Writing	<b>Naomi Mc</b> Increased confidence in all Areas <b>Jade C</b> Working hard in Literacy.	<b>Beau M</b> Fabulous Public Speaking.  <b>Emma Mac</b> Wonderful improvement in Maths	<b>Zalii Bodo</b> A wonderful Speech  <b>Hunter Bodo</b> A Excellent Speech
<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> Amahlia N Zeppelin G	<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> Eli G Isabella H	<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> Blake H Kayde Mac	<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> Harrison C Hannah B



## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS



Be Safe ~ Right Place, Right Time	Be Safe ~ Right Place, Right Time <b>Jackson R</b>	Be Safe ~ Right Place, Right Time <b>Summer G</b>	Be Safe ~ Right Place, Right Time <b>Tayah Mc</b>
Be Safe ~ Safe hands, safe feet <b>Erin H</b>	Be Safe ~ Safe hands, safe feet <b>Annalyse B</b>	Be Safe ~ Safe hands, safe feet <b>Beau M</b>	Be Safe ~ Safe hands, safe feet <b>Samuel B</b>

**Home Reading Awards 2016**

**Bronze** (25 nights reading)

**Silver** (50 nights reading)

**Gold** (75 nights reading)

Isabella H

**Double Bronze** (100 nights reading)

Alannah W, Chelsea C

**Double Silver** (125 nights reading)

Patrick L, Amahlia N, Juliet M, Zalii B, Naomi Mc, Grace M, Hunter B, Ella G, Neve H

**Double Gold** (150 nights reading)

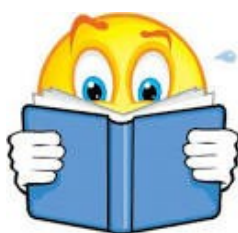
Beau M

**Royal** (200 nights reading)

Abbigale L, Cooper J

**Double Royal** (250 nights reading)

**Excellence** (300 nights reading)



**PRINCIPALS AWARD**  
(Collecting 5 Awards)

**Lacey S, Monique H, Abbigale L, Blake H**



**STAR STUDENT AWARD**  
(Collecting 5 Principal's Awards)

**Beau M**

# KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION FOR 2017 COMMENCES THIS TERM

**2017 Kindergarten parents and children invited to these dates**

**For all sessions children are asked to bring some food for recess at 1:30pm, a drink and a sunhat.**

- Session 1 - Wednesday 19th October 12:00-2:00pm for parents and children  
Parents information session in the hall and children doing activities in the Kinder classroom.
- Session 2 - Wednesday 26th October 12:00 -2:00pm for parents and children  
Parents information session in the hall and children doing activities in the Kinder classroom.
- Session 3 - Wednesday 2nd November 12:00-2:00pm for parents and children  
Parents come into the kinder classroom and work with their child and the teacher doing activities
- Session 4 - Wednesday 9th November 12:00-2:00pm For parents and children  
Parents come into the kinder classroom and work with their child and the teacher doing activities
- Session 5- Wednesday 16th November 12:00-2:00pm Just for the children  
Parents drop their child off at 12:00 and return to pick them up just before 2pm.
- Session 6- Wednesday 23rd November 12:00-2:00pm Just for the children  
Parents drop their child off at 12:00 and return to pick them up just before 2pm.

You will get to meet your new buddy

- Meet some new friends
- Meet some new teachers
- Do some great activities, maths games, listen to stories, and join in some singing and dancing
- Find out all about your new school
- Join with friends and buddies for recess and play from 1:30-2pm

While you are working with Mr Ping, or Miss Humbles, your parents and family will go to the hall to learn about all the exciting, new adventures you will be having in Kindergarten for the first 2 sessions. Then parents will be with you doing activities in the classroom for sessions 3 and 4. The last 2 sessions you get to stay here all by yourself and enjoy playing with your new friends. We hope you can come to all these sessions.

**We are really looking forward to meeting you. Please phone and ask us any questions you may have before these dates.**

**If you have not already indicated your interest to participate in this program, please phone the school office on 4937 1192 and leave your contact details with us. Thank you.**