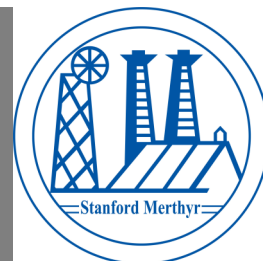


Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence



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Week 3 Term 4

25th October 2016

BAKER, BAKER FRIDAY

28th Oct KP Xavier L
K/1H Lhotse C
1/2W Denika H
2M Monique H
4th Nov No Baker Baker
Due to Hunter Valley
Zoo Excursion

NO PEANUT PRODUCTS ARE TO BE USED



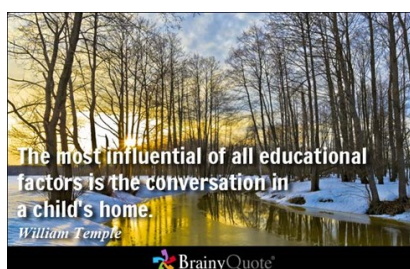
CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 26th Oct Tanya
Fri 28th Oct Tanya & Nikki
Mon 31st Oct Emma
Wed 2nd Nov Leigh & Melissa
Fri 4th Nov **CLOSED Zoo Excursion**
Mon 7th Nov Kelly

THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK

Thurs 27th October Melissa Leary
Thurs 3rd November Nicole Sleeman

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



EXCURSION TO HUNTER VALLEY ZOO AT CESSNOCK

Our Term 4 whole school excursion is to Hunter Valley Zoo next **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. Please could you ensure permission notes are signed and payments made by Thursday 3rd.



TERM 4 TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

This program has begun and will continue each Wednesday until 30th November, 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. There is one more parent information sessions tomorrow for parents to attend.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS DUE TOMORROW.

Term 4 Fridays Assembly Roster

Fri 28th Oct	2M class item
Fri 4th Nov	No assembly- Hunter Valley Zoo excursion
Fri 11th Nov	Back up date for excursion if wet. Or 1/2 class item
Fri 18th Nov	Official Opening for the School Hall Boys dance and girls choir performing.
Fri 25th Nov	KP class item
Fri 2nd Dec	Awards only
Fri 9th Dec	Awards only.

INVITATION TO OFFICIAL OPENING OF OUR HALL FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 9AM

*You are cordially invited to attend
The Official Opening and Dedication
Of*

*Stanford Merthyr Infants School Hall
On Friday, November 18 at 9:00am
Morning Tea will be followed afterward in the
School Library*

RSVP: Thursday, November 10

Phone: (02) 4937 1192

This is a very special assembly with representatives of organisations present who have donated money to the school. The students will be performing special items.

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 27th Oct	Special Interest Groups-5th rotation
Wednesdays 26th Oct, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd Nov	Kindergarten Transition-12:00 noon-2pm
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. Dominoes pizza fundraising 4-8pm.
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

DAY FOR DANIEL MORCOMBE THIS FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER

Students are encouraged to wear a red tee shirt this Friday 28th October to support the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. We are asking for a gold coin donation that we will post to the Foundation. During the day we will show a video instructing the students about Stranger Danger, helping enforce that they never get into a car with someone they don't know.

BANDANA DAY TO SUPPORT THE CANCER COUNCIL FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER

Our kid's councillors will be selling bandanas all this week for \$4. Children can wear these during the week and especially on Friday when it is "Bandana Day." All proceeds will be sent to the Cancer to support research into cancers that affect young people. Thank you for your support.

BEST LIBRARY BORROWERS FOR TERM 3



Congratulations to Stella, Juliet, and Amahlia (absent) from KP, Abigail, Naomi and Lhlotse from K/1H, Chayse and Beau from 1/2W and Andrew, Hunter, Zalii and Jayla from 2W for being the best library borrowers.

Mrs Ceccato kindly donated the book prizes as an incentive for the children.

YEAR ONE BUDDY TRAINING DAY LAST MONDAY



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

WESTON AND KURRI PRESCHOOL VISITS



YEAR TWO TRANSITION TO PELAW MAIN

This program will be held over three Fridays. The first session commences this Friday for an hour and is for parents and children. Please pick up your child here at 2:05pm ready for a 2:15pm start at Pelaw Main School. If you are unable to attend, or transport your child, please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you.

JESS BLACK AUTHOR VISIT



We appreciate Karen Bruce, the Librarian from Kurri Public Library applying for a grant to enable schools to hear first hand from Jess Black, a celebrated Australian children's author. She visited us last week and shared ideas from many of her 31 books and answered many insightful questions that the students had. We have purchased ten of her books for our school library.

DONATIONS FOR A XMAS HAMPER TO RAFFLE

The staff are wanting to do a Christmas Raffle. The prizes will be Christmas Hampers. We are requesting parents to please donate goods suitable for hampers, such as tinned goods, cakes, mince tarts, lollies, drink. Please ensure items have not gone past their use by date. Please send items into the school office as soon as you are able to do so. **The raffles will be drawn on Presentation Day.** Anne Carr Principal.

FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION LESSONS

Jamie, Anna, Ken and Craig from the Kurri Kurri Fire Brigade have been visiting us twice to present fire safety information lessons for our students. I was present for one of the lessons and was impressed at the knowledge students had retained from last years sessions. The highlight was being able to squirt the water from the powerful hose.



P&C FUNDRAISING



The P&C have arranged with the company above to provide labels with your child's name. If you are interested in ordering these or a 2017 calendar, please see the board at the school office. Calendars need to be ordered by 30th November.



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

WEEK 3 Term 4. Children will be reminded that it is respectful to put up their hand and wait for the teacher before they begin to talk. Children will be rewarded with Stan and Merthi tickets for following this PBL expectation.

This week the focus is to:

Be Respectful

Hands up to
talk

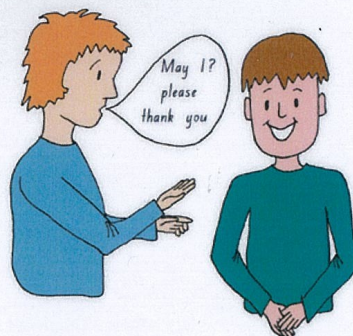


Week 4. Term 4: Children will have lessons about what "Nice talk" sounds like and how it is respectful to always talk nicely to one another. Children will be rewarded with Stan and Merthi tickets for following this PBL expectation.

This week the focus is to:

Be Respectful

Use nice talk



Please discuss these expectations with your children at home. It will be interesting to hear them explain to you what they have learnt. We have now covered the **four** expectations for **Safety** and the **four** expectations to teach **Being Respectful**. See if your child can tell you these eight expectations.

ENJOY KP'S STORIES ABOUT THEIR "MAGIC BEACH"

By Stella

At our Magic Beach!

At our beach,
our magic beach,
the clouds are
as soft as
pillow.



At our Magic Beach!

Juliet

At our beach at
our magic beach the
dolphin jump like a horse
in the middle of the
ocean.

By Juliet



At our Magic Beach!

Sarah

At our beach at our magic
beach the dolphins splash
in the sea like children playing.

By Sarah



Lily

At our Magic Beach!

At our beach at our magic beach
the clouds glide along the sky
like big birds.

By Lily

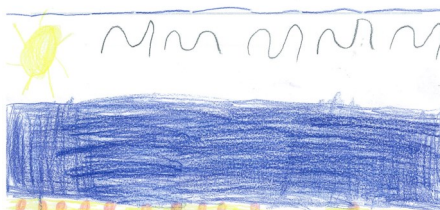


Erin

At our Magic Beach!

At our beach at our magic beach
the sea shells sparkle like the
sun shining on the sea.

By Erin

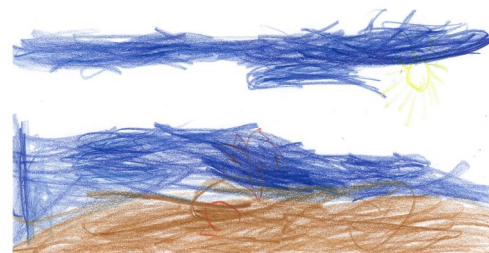


Xavier

At our Magic Beach!

At our beach at our
magic beach the
star fish are as
still as a rock.

By Xavier



At our Magic Beach! By Grace

At our beach at our
magic beach the sea snails
slither like snakes sliding
on the sand.

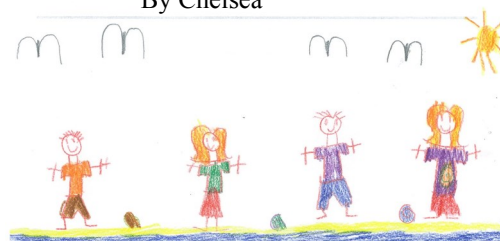
By Grace



Chelsea At our Magic Beach!

At our beach at
our magic beach the
sea shells are as
loud as the ocean.
The dolphins jump like
people living.

By Chelsea





Neve

At our Magic Beach!

At our beach at our
magic beach the
clouds are as soft
as a pillow.

By Neve



At our Magic Beach!

Mackynlee

At our beach
to the at our magic
beach the sea stars
lay like a rock.

By Mackynlee



At our Magic Beach!

Zeppelin

At our beach
at our magic h
the crabs
scuttle like spiders
the seagulls fly
like jets.

By Zeppelin



Daniel At our Magic Beach!

At our beach at
our magic beach
the crabs move like
soldiers marching.

By Daniel



Jayda At our Magic Beach!

At our beach at our
magic beach the
seagulls fly like
jets in the sky.

By Jayda

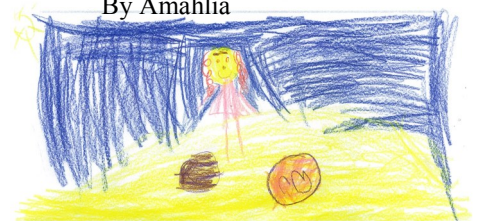


At our Magic Beach!

Amahlia

At our beach at our
magic beach the clouds
look like a really
fluffy blanket.
At our beach at our magic
beach the sun is as hot
as fire.

By Amahlia



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Special Needs Network

Invite you to attend a talk on "Anxiety"
By
Guest Speaker
Craig Moore – Clinical Psychologist

Craig is a Clinical Psychologist based in Newcastle who provides psychological services and therapy for children, adolescents and adults. He has extensive experience working in a variety of roles, including: private practice, school psychologist, promoting mental health, developing and facilitating training courses including parenting skills programmes, assessment and case work managing children with behavioural and emotional problems.

In this session Craig will discuss the topic of Anxiety

- > What is it?
- > How to recognise it
- > Some strategies to help manage it

Date: Thursday 27th October 2016

Time: 12.00pm – 2.00pm

Location: Abermain Public School

Goulburn Street Abermain

Cost: \$10 per family (includes afternoon tea which will be provided)

Payment: Essential by 20th October

Contact: Cheryl-Ann

Email: specialneedsnetworkabermmain@gmail.com

Phone: 0414 625 872



Lachy was
a student
at SMIS

Guitar, Bass & Keyboard Lessons with Lachy Campbell **MUSIC 4 LIFE**

My name is Lachy, I'm a High School Student and have been playing music for over 8yrs. As well as being classically trained in Piano I have a real love for Guitar, Bass and Singing. In the past I've performed with The Maitland Community Concert Band. I am now the frontman in my own band called Interlude.

If you want to have fun while learning to play guitar, bass or keyboard give me a call!

All ages and abilities welcome.

Call us today!

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Lachy (Email) lachymusic4life@gmail.com

Kiel (Kurri Shop): 0400 318 968

Troy (Cessnock Shop): 0411 989 862

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**Book Club
Orders
Due Back
This Wednesday
26th October**

**HUNTER
DENTAL GROUP**
CESSNOCK, GREENHILLS & DUNGOG DENTAL
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YES WE BULK BILL!!

Families that receive Family Tax Benefit Part A or other eligible government payments can receive \$1000 basic dental treatment for children aged 2-17 years.

For eligibility phone Medicare 132 011
For appointments call us today!



2016-2017 Season

Registration Costs:

7 Years and Under **FREE!***

8 Years and up \$75*

Please bring a copy of birth certificate for proof of age.

*Plus weekly Cessnock City Council pool entry fee.

7 years and under **SWIM FOR FREE!!!**

Kurri Kurri Swimming Club would like to invite any family; child and/or adult to come and swim with us on Friday nights, starting on the **14th October 2016, 5:00pm** at the Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre.

Optus, Swimming Australia and Swimming NSW have joined forces and will sponsor any child 7 years and under, to swim at a registered swimming club for **FREE!**

We race all form strokes, and provide fun kickboard races for the littlies. We also promote a relaxed fun night, where the kids learn to better their swimming skills, improve their swim times, burn off some energy, become fit and sleep well.
All while having **FUN!**

So please come and join Kurri Kurri Swimming Club and join in on the FUN!

For more information please phone: Rebecca 0401 073 765, Angela 4936 4208 or Kate 4937 4367

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE CHILDREN WHO HAVE CELEBRATED !



Natty R
Cru B
Xavier L

29th Sept
6th Oct
11th Oct



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

*At the assembly on Friday the 14th & 21st October 2016, these children all received awards.
Congratulations !!*

KP	K/1H	1/2W	2M
Juliet M Great general knowledge in class discussions Mackynlee R Improved effort in all class activities	Charlotte P Outstanding results in reading Eli G Wonderful knowledge about Australian Animals	Thomas S For a fabulous start to Term 4 Summer G Fantastic Story Writing	Meara B Excellent focus in reading & Writing Tayah Mc Maths & Art
Quality 5 Bookwork Jayda S Patrick L	Quality 5 Bookwork Beau G Alison E	Quality 5 Bookwork Malachi C Natty R	Quality 5 Bookwork Sam K Samuel B



POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS



Be Safe ~ Use Equipment Safely Chelsea C	Be Safe ~ Use Equipment Safely Riley Z	Be Safe ~ Use Equipment Safely Lacey S	Be Safe ~ Use Equipment Safely Sam B
Be Respectful ~ 6 L's Grace M	Be Respectful ~ 6 L's Abbi L	Be Respectful ~ 6 L's Chayse C	Be Respectful ~ 6 L's Monique H



Home Reading Awards 2016

Bronze (25 nights reading)

Lincoln W

Silver (50 nights reading)

Gold (75 nights reading)

Connor L, Xavier L

Double Bronze (100 nights reading)

Aydin Y, Jayla C

Double Silver (125 nights reading)

Jason D, Lhotse C, Charlotte P, Lacey S

Double Gold (150 nights reading)

Andrew A

Royal (200 nights reading)

Kye R

Double Royal (250 nights reading)

Taylor W

Excellence (300 nights reading)



PRINCIPALS AWARD

(Collecting 5 Awards)

Stella F, Grace M, Ella G, Beau M
Kye R, Taylor W, Samuel B, Connor L

STAR STUDENT AWARD

(Collecting 5 Principal's Awards)

