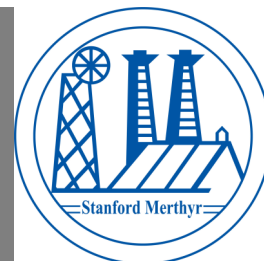


# Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence



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Week 7 Term 3

30th August 2016

## **BAKER, BAKER FRIDAY**

**2nd Sept** KP Sarah R  
K/1H Cru B  
1/2W Jason D  
2M Hunter B

**9th Sept** KP No Baker Baker  
K/1H Today due to  
1/2W Nillo Sports  
2M Carnival

**NO PEANUT PRODUCTS ARE TO BE USED**

Stanford Merthyr Infants School



WHOLE SCHOOL 2016

Newcastle School Partners - PH (02) 4955 4114

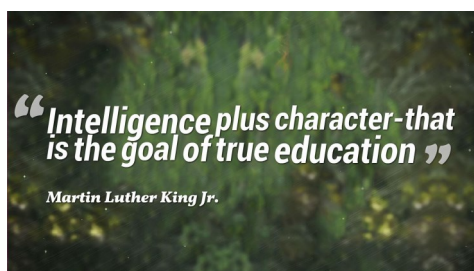
## **CANTEEN ROSTER**

**Wed 31st Aug** Mel & Shanelle  
**Fri 2nd Sept** Tanya & Nikki  
**Mon 5th Sept** Barb  
**Wed 7th Sept** Leigh & Melissa  
**Fri 9th Sept** Closed Nillo Sports Carnival  
**Mon 12th Sept** Barb

## **THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK**

**Thur 1st September** Nicole Sleeman  
**Thurs 8th September** Kim Morrow

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



## **Term 3 Fridays Assembly Roster**

<b>Fri 2nd Sep</b>	<b>9:30am after Father's Day breakfast</b>
<b>Fri 9th Sep</b>	<b>No assembly-Sports Carnival with Nillo Infants</b>
<b>Fri 16th Sep</b>	<b>Public Speaking- Speeches in assembly K-2</b>
<b>Fri 23rd Sep</b>	<b>1/2W show work.</b>

## **THANKYOU TO KURRI KURRI BOWLING CLUB**

We are very grateful to the generosity of the management of Kurri Kurri Bowling Club, under the direction of Manager, Victor Dobing, for their kind donation of \$5000 towards the cost of building the stage for our school hall.



## **COMBINED SPORTS CARNIVAL WITH NILLO**

This year Nillo Infants School is hosting the sports carnival at Lorn Park on Friday 9th September. All parents and grandparents are very welcome to join us. Permission notes are available at the office and the cost is \$4.60 for bus fare please. We appreciate notes signed by Wednesday 7th September please. The back up date if it is wet is Thursday 15th Sep. Lunch order forms are available at the office and must be completed by this Thursday please. No late orders can be accepted as we need to send them to Nillo School.

**CANTEEN LUNCH ORDERS-Please hand in by 9am. Especially on Friday mornings.Thank you.**

## **FATHERS DAY STALL FRIDAY 2ND SEPT**

Order forms are available at the office. All gifts are \$5. They need to be filled out by Thursday 1st Sept.

## **FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST FRIDAY 2ND SEPT**

The staff are inviting all the fathers to come and join with a breakfast we will provide commencing at 8:30-9:30am. Please let the office know by Thursday if you can attend, so we can provide a lovely breakfast for you.

## **EXCURSION TOMORROW FOR YEAR ONE AND TWO**

An excursion is planned for Year One and Two to go to Tocal Homestead as part of their history study. Permission notes are at the office. We have had a kind donation made to the school to cover the cost of the bus fare so the children only have to pay the entry fee to the homestead.

## **KULLABURRA AWARD CEREMONY**

Connor Lambert-Cambourne, one of our Aboriginal students received a special awards on Wednesday afternoon at Mount View High School for having 100% attendance over the last twelve months. This is a big achievement.

Calendar of Events for Term Three 2016	
Thursdays all year	P&C provide fruit & vegetable platters for the children
Every Tuesday from 3rd May	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
Friday 2nd September	Father's Day breakfast 8:30-9:30am. Father's Day stall here
Every Friday 2nd Sep- 28th Oct	Raffles at Kurri Kurri Bowling Club 5:30-7:30pm
Friday 9th September	Sports Carnival with Nillo Infants School at Lorn Park Maitland
Saturday 10th September	Polling booth here for Local Government Elections—Cake stall run by P&C
Sunday 11th September	MG Car Club here for lunch—We are doing the catering
Tuesday 13th September	Transition program for 2017 Kindergarten students 12:30-1:30pm
Wednesday 14th September	3 Way Parent/ Teacher/ Student interviews for 1/2W
Thursday 15th September	Back up date for Nillo Sports Carnival if wet.
Monday 19th September	Speeches with Nillo Infants using video broadcasting equipment
Tuesday 20th September	3 Way Parent/ Teacher/ Student interviews for 2M
Tuesday 20th September	P&C meeting 6pm
Wednesday 21st September	3 Way Parent/ Teacher/ Student interviews for K/1H
Thursday 22nd September	Class of the term party
Friday 23rd September	Final day of term- Football Day Tabloid as the fun day event

## CAREERS DAY

The students all actively participated in our Careers Education Day by dressing up. Kurri Kurri Public School organised so many career work stations that the children enjoyed visiting. Once back at school they continued the Careers theme by doing four related activities. Mr Ping was a physical trainer, Miss Wood was a scientist, Miss Humbles was a doctor and Mrs Macgregor was an artist.



## READING IN THE STREET

Our thanks to Mrs Ceccato for organising another successful program to promote Book Week. Kurri Library treated us to performances based on the children's books nominated for awards for 2016. The librarians went to a lot of effort engaging the students with their story telling and puppets. We appreciate NRMA, Newcastle Permanent Building Society, Coles, Happy Chicken, KFC and Sylvester's Real Estate, for allowing our students to visit and be read to. We appreciate the effort they made.





### VISIT BY OUR FEDERAL MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

Meryl Swanson came to assembly last Friday and presented the school with a donation of three flags -the Australian Flag, the Aboriginal Flag and the Torres Strait Islander Flag, all of which will be permanently on display in our school hall.



### NAIDOC MURAL FOR OUR LOCAL GROUP OF SCHOOLS.

Mr Ping directed twelve children from the schools in our local area to complete a mural. These photos show the progress they made.



### CLASS SPEECHES FOR TERM 3

All children are asked to participate in Public Speaking this term. They are asked to prepare a 60 second speech about their favourite toy. More information has been sent home with your child. Three children from each class will be selected to present their speech at our assembly on Friday 16th Sept.

### MG CAR RALLY SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

The MG Car Club are coming to our school on Sunday 11th September for us to provide them with lunch. There will be about 100 coming and they will pay \$10 per head for lunch. They support local schools to help them make some money. They have asked if we could serve soups, sandwiches, fruit, drinks and cakes and slices.

I would really appreciate if parents or grandparents would be able to donate a slice, or a cake and bring it to school on Friday 9th September please. If you are able to do this, could you let Wendy know at the office please.

If you would like to come and help make sandwiches on Sunday 11th from 9:00am please let me know. We will be serving lunch from 11:30am until 1.30 pm. Your help will be very much appreciated.

### The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

Our school will also be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

I will have computers set up and available in the library and staff room every Monday, Wednesday and Fridays until the end of term 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.

More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

### LESSONS ON MONEY BY THE COMMONWEALTH BANK

Students had lessons presented on understanding the difference between needs and wants and how the importance of learning how to save.

Banking Day is held on a Tuesday at our School.



Anne Carr  
Principal

### Book Club Orders

**Due back to Office  
By  
5th September !!**

## A RECOUNT BY YEAR 2 STUDENTS ABOUT THE SLEEP OVER

I know this is a highlight of the year for our Year Two students. It was a successful sleepover, thanks to the organisational skills of Mrs MacGregor with all of Year Two bravely staying all night without needing their mum or dad. The bonfire was a big hit, where they had smores and joined in singing camp songs. They had pizza for dinner and Mr Ping cooked a lovely barbeque breakfast the next morning. Thank you to Mrs MacGregor, Miss Wood, Mrs Williams, Miss Humbles and Mr Ping who supervised and enjoyed the fun.



### Year 2 Sleepover

Yes! It's the Year 2 sleepover tonight. We'd better start by setting up our beds. Farewell parents. After playing the Crazy Rubber Chicken Game, the pizzas arrived. As Mr Ping got the fire started, we played Harry Potter Flash with Miss Humbles.

I couldn't stop laughing at one of Jayla's jokes, as we sat around the campfire. We had to stand with our backs to the fire and chant the magic words, loudly and when we turned back around the fire had spectacularly changed colour!

We toasted marshmallows on sticks, to make s'mores and then after a cup of milo, we all went to bed.

Bright and early, in the cold frosty morning air, we went for some fitness. When we got back we had a yummy breakfast of bacon and eggs and pancakes. Then we went home! Thank you to all the teachers who made this happen for us.

By Year 2.

## Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

So that we are consistent with all our schools in the Kurri Kurri learning community, we are introducing a new behaviour and welfare system based on PBL. We have revamped our current school rules, rewards and consequences, and have refined them. The following are the 3 areas we are addressing, with 4 expectations under each heading:




### Be safe

Walk on hard surfaces 


Right time, right place 


Use equipment safely 


Safe hands and feet 





### Be responsible

Do your job 


Be organised 


Help others 


Quality 5 work 




### Be respectful

Use the 6L's 

Use nice talk 

Hands up to talk 

Be honest 

Each week we will address **one** expectation. You will be notified on the noticeboard as you enter the school each Monday. We will also inform you via the newsletter and Facebook page. Every Friday after the assembly the whole school will be participating in a PBL lesson addressing the expectation for the following week.

Each PBL school has a mascot. Ours is 'Stan and Merthi'. Children will receive 'Stan and Merthi' tickets for following the weekly expectation. It is their responsibility to write their name on them and keep them in their tote tray.

### Stan and Merthi rewards!

$$5 \times \text{Stan and Merthi} = 1 \text{ ice block}$$

$$10 \times \text{Stan and Merthi} = 1 \text{ slushy}$$

### Positive Rewards: Tickets awarded each day

- Each class teacher will award 3 'Stan and Merthi' tickets for the classroom
- Each playground teacher will award 3 tickets each play time
- Mrs Cecatto will award 1 ticket each library lesson

### Assembly Awards


The You Can Do It award on a Friday will be changed to PBL awards. One child from each class will receive a PBL certificate and badge for the week based on the weekly focus.

**Be safe**

### Congratulations!

You have been following the school expectations for being safe.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher                      Principal                      Date



Stanford Merthyr Infants School                      Positive Behaviour for Learning

**Be responsible**

### Congratulations!

You have been following the school expectations for being responsible.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher                      Principal                      Date



Stanford Merthyr Infants School                      Positive Behaviour for Learning

**Be respectful**

### Congratulations!

You have been following the school expectations for being respectful.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher                      Principal                      Date



Stanford Merthyr Infants School                      Positive Behaviour for Learning



## Consequences for not following expectations

The children will be given three verbal warnings in the classroom or the playground for not following the PBL expectations. Teachers will be very explicit with what behaviour is expected. The following posters indicate the consequences that will be followed.

At the end of each term every child in the school is rewarded for excellent behaviour by participating in a fun day activity. However if your child has been required to sit on the step twice in any term, they will not be able to join in this activity.

**Be Safe**

**Be Responsible**

**Be Respectful**

in the classroom

1

If you are not being safe, responsible or respectful the teacher will give you the first warning.

2

If you continue, you will be given a second warning.

3

If you are given a third warning, you will have time out, and see Mrs Carr at lunch or recess to miss out on play.

If you have to go to time out 3 times in a day, you will be placed on the step and your parents will be told.

**Be Safe**

**Be Responsible**

**Be Respectful**

in the playground

1

If you are not being safe, responsible or respectful in the playground the teacher will give you the first warning.

2

If you continue, you will be given a second warning and will have to sit on a silver seat for 5 minutes.

3

If you are given a third warning, you will see Mrs Carr to miss out on play next session.

If you see Mrs Carr twice in a day, you will be placed on the step and your parents will be told.

## Expectations for other areas of the school

### Hall Assemblies

**Be Safe**

- Walk on/off the stage
- Sit Safely



**Be Responsible**

- Help your class by being silent



**Be Respectful**


- Clap award winners
- Enter Quietly
- Use 6L's



### Office & Staffroom

**Be Safe**

- Walk through the building.




**Be Responsible**

- Come to the office for medication on time.
- Only go to office and staffroom if told.



**Be Respectful**

- Knock and wait for the teacher.
- Say please and thankyou.



### Eating time

**Be Safe**

- Stay seated in the right places. (stage or seats)



**Be Responsible**

- Eat your food, no toys.
- Walk to put your rubbish in the bin when the teacher asks.



**Be Respectful**

- Put your hand up to ask a question.
- Hands on top when the bell goes.



If you have any questions about PBL, please do not hesitate to come and see me. Thank you.

# ENJOY WORK BY K/1H.



**My Fractions Pizza**

My whole pizza has sauce ✓  
 My whole pizza has cheese ✓  
 My whole pizza has pepperoni ✓  
 % of my pizza has capsicum ✓  
 % of my pizza has ham ✓  
 % of my pizza has olives ✓



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## The Stanford Merthyr

Aussie Aussie Aussie  
oi oi oi

hsw with R-CORP

Aussie wins the gold! Mack Horton competed in the mens 400m freestyle swimming race. He faced against sun Xana and the

4 SAS senior Dwyer. He almost lost the race but he won with a time of 3 minutes and 44 seconds. It was a great night for Mack. by William Asthal

✓ Great article William 17/8

## The Stanford Merthyr Times

wool! The crowd roared another gold medal for the Aussies!

4 Australian girls dominated the pool in Rio. Their names were: Emma McKeon and Bronte Elmslie. The girls tried their best and ended up winning the gold for Australia. These

amazing girls set a world record time of 3:06.5. "It was so special!" said cato. All of Australia is so proud of these amazing girls. By Lhotse Cameron

✓  
Brilliant article Lhotse 17/8

17.8.16

To Dear Cate and Bronte  
 Way to go in swimming!  
 You did a great job in swimming. you were so good. we were so proud of you even when you didn't win a medal. &  
 from Anna Rose

Emilia

17.8.16

Dear Cate and Bronte  
 I hope you liked at the Rio Olympics.  
 I love all of you and I watched your races and I was cheering for you. from Emilia

17.8.16

To cate and Bronte  
 Good job!!! You are very fast at Rio. You are awesome! I cheered you on I love you Aussie Aussie Aussie oloioioio!!  
 From Riley



## PLEASE UPDATE MY FAMILY CONTACT DETAILS:

Have any of your child's details changed during the Year? If so can you please complete the relevant section and return to the Office.

Child/rens Name:.....

Class:.....

Address:

.....

Home Phone Number:

Home.....

Work.....

Mobile.....

Emergency Contacts:

Name.....

Phone number.....

Name.....

Phone number.....

Email Address: (So we can email your fortnightly Newsletter home to you)

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Signature.....Date.....

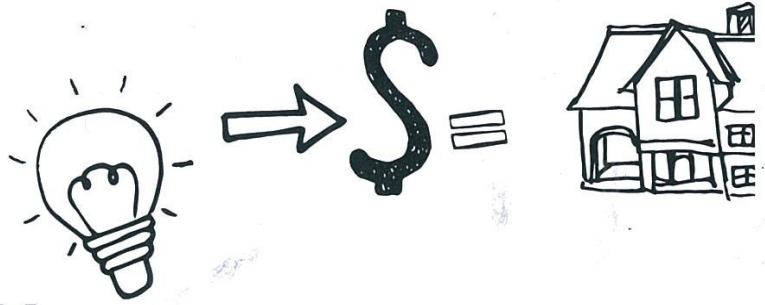


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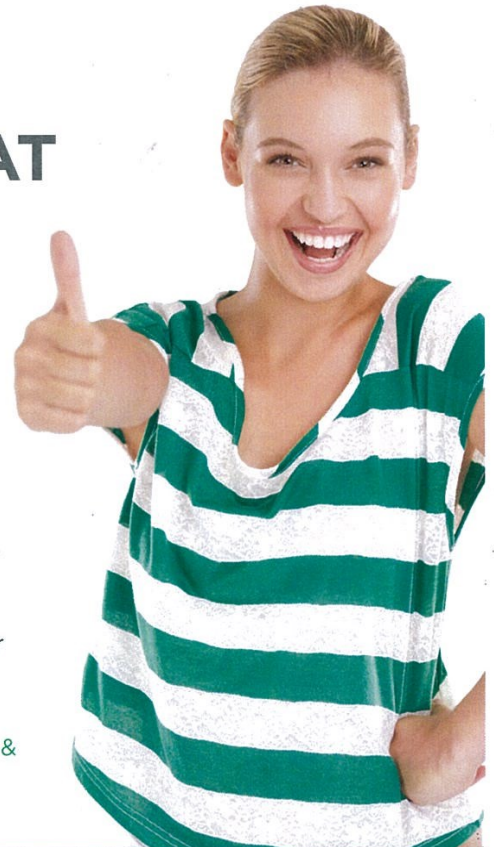
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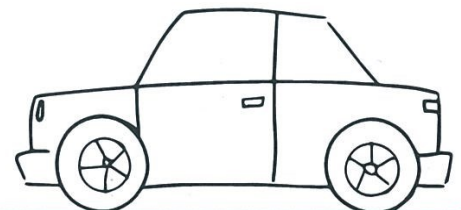
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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE CHILDREN WHO HAVE CELEBRATED !



Charlotte P  
Chelsea C

13th August  
18th August

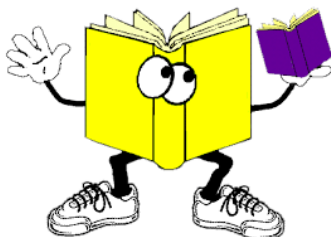


## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

At the assembly on Friday the 19th August 2016, these children all received awards.  
**Congratulations !!**

KP	K/1H	1/2W	2M
<b>Xavier L</b> Positive attitude toward Learning	<b>Cru B</b> Excellent work with fractions	<b>Ella G</b> Amazing results in Reading!!	<b>Hannah B</b> Improved Handwriting
<b>Organisation</b> Erin H	<b>Organisation</b> Abbigale L	<b>Organisation</b> Kailie W	<b>Organisation</b> Alannah W
<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> Chelsea C	<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> William A	<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> Summer G	<b>Quality 5 Bookwork</b> Vincent M

## Home Reading Awards 2016



**Bronze** (25 nights reading)

**Silver** (50 nights reading)

Xavier L, Connor L

**Gold** (75 nights reading)

Harrison C

**Double Bronze** (100 nights reading)

Jason D, Charlotte P, Riley Z, Lhotse C

**Double Silver** (125 nights reading)

Andrew A

**Double Gold** (150 nights reading)

Kye Robertson

**Royal** (200 nights reading)

**Double Royal** (250 nights reading)

**Excellence** (300 nights reading)

### PRINCIPALS AWARD

(Collecting 5 Awards)

Patrick L, Riley Z, Denika H, Beau M

Jayla C,



### STAR STUDENT AWARD

(Collecting 5 Principal's Awards)

