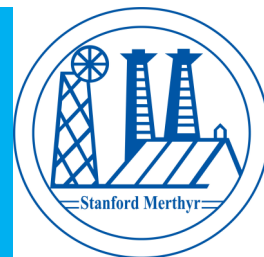


Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence



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Week 10 Term 1

28th March 2017

BAKER, BAKER FRIDAY

31st Mar No Baker Baker
Yr 2 Will be holding an
Ice cream Day

7th Apr KP Kaitlyn M
KHM Danial H
1/2P Summer G
1/2W Taylor W

NO PEANUT PRODUCTS ARE TO BE USED



CANTEEN ROSTER

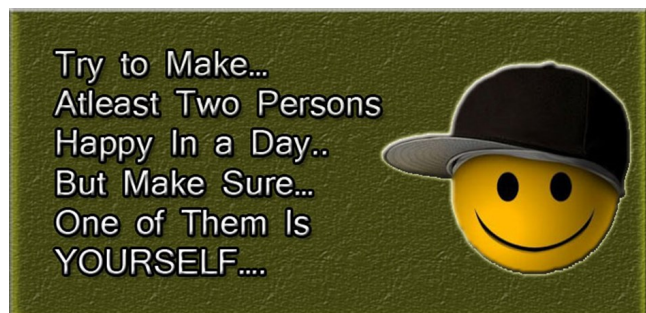
The canteen is open Mondays and Fridays.

Fri 31st Mar	Nikki & Leigh
Mon 3rd April	Shanelle & Mel
Fri 7th April	Barbara & Teagan
Mon 24th April	School Closed

THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK

Thur 30th March	Liz McDoanld
Thur 6th April	Darryl Smith

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



Term 1 Assembly Roster Thursdays 2:15pm

30th March

KP perform item

BACK TO STANFORD AFTERNOON FOR 2016'S YEAR TWO CHILDREN

Each year we invite our previous Year 2's back to have an afternoon of activities, afternoon tea and hear their news of their new school. It was lovely to hear how well they had all adjusted to their new surroundings and had made new friendships. It shows our transition to Year 3 Program is working well.



BIKE DAY EXCURSION POSTPONED UNTIL WEEK 1 TERM 2, FRIDAY 28TH APRIL

Due to the rain that is forecasted on Thursday and again next week, I have made the decision to postpone our bike day. I am sorry for any inconvenience, but I don't want the children to get sick. Unfortunately we need to ask you to sign a new permission note that will be at the office. Thank you for your understanding.

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC- 2018 ENROLMENTS

Our first transition session for next years kindergarten children was held last week. It was lovely meeting some of the new families. Another session will be held in Term 2.



EASTER RAFFLE

As part of our Easter celebrations we would like to have an Easter Raffle. It would be very much appreciated if each family would please be prepared to donate one Easter egg for the Hamper. If you are able to do this, please hand your donation into the school office. Thank you.

MAKING EASTER HATS IN CLASS

Children will be making their Easter hats in class on Monday 3rd April. Bell times will be changed so they can begin at 1:30-3pm. We would appreciate any parents and grand parents who may be available to come and help teachers and children to make these in class. Please send in any items that you may like to see on your child's hat such as feathers, ribbons, cottonwool, eggs or straw.



EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS

It would be appreciated if families would be able to sell the Easter Raffle tickets attached to this newsletter. If you are able to, please send in the sheet at the back of this newsletter, to the school office, by Thursday 6th April. Prizes will be awarded at the Easter Hat Parade on Friday 7th April, our last day of Term. More ticket sheets are available from the Office.

EASTER HAT PARADE HERE 1:30PM FRIDAY 7TH APRIL FOR ALL FAMILIES.

The children will be performing two songs for your enjoyment. Then the classes will parade their hats before the students all enjoy an Easter Egg hunt. We will conclude by drawing the Easter raffle prizes.

3 WAY CONFERENCES WITH TEACHERS

Miss Wood will be off class today to have interviews with you and your child. This is the time a progress report on your child is provided and together you all set academic and social goals for the next semester. Teachers will ask you for your interview preference time. Miss Humbles is having her interviews Wednesday 29th April, Miss Pollock's day is Tuesday 4th April and Mr Ping's day is Wednesday 5th April. We hope you all attend these interviews and help set learning goals with your child.

EXCURSION TO HUNTER LIFE EDUCATION AT EDGEWORTH WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY

Life Education visit for all students is being held on **WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY**. This is the third week back after the holidays. The Life Education bus will transport each class to and from the centre. The **cost is \$10 per student**. There is also Life Education merchandise that can be purchased (an order form is attached) If you wish to purchase send in your order with exact money in an envelope to the office and we will send in a bulk order. Orders cannot be accepted on the morning of the excursion. Permission notes are at the office to sign.

CRAZY SOCK FUNDRAISER-SUPPORTING DOWN'S SYNDROME

Thank you. The School Raised **\$91.60** which has been posted to the Association.

MOTHERS DAY STALL FRIDAY 12TH MAY

The Mothers Day stall will be held in the library after recess Friday 12th May. The fund raising committee have requested that **all order forms please be returned to the office with money by Thursday 11th May**. Order forms are available from the office. Children can order up to 3 gifts each at \$7 per gift.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE P&C FUNDRAISER

P&C members will be handing out a box of chocolates with 50 individual chocolates for you to sell to your family, friends and work colleagues if you are interested. The chocolates sell for \$1 each. The boxes will be handed out next term on Monday 1st May and we are asking if the money could please be returned by Friday 26th May. All money raised will be returned to students by the P&C paying for the bus fare when the school goes to swimming lessons in term 4. Thank you for considering supporting this effort.

SCHOOL DATES FOR TERM 2

Students return to school Wednesday 26th April. I wish you all a very happy and safe Easter school holidays, enjoying time with your families and friends.

Anne Carr Principal



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?

Eat It To Beat It

For recipe ideas and inspiration visit:
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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For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)



Calendar of Events for Term One 2017

Mondays all year from 13th March	Breakfast provided at the canteen served by Kurri Rotary Sunrise Club.
Thursdays all year	P&C provide fruit & vegetable platters for the children
Every Tuesday from 7th February	Playgroup for all children birth to 5 years 9:30am-11:00 here at school
Tuesday 28th March	3 Way conferences with teacher, child and parents for 1/2W
Wednesday 29th March	3 Way conferences with teacher, child and parents for KHM
Monday 3rd April	Making Easter Hats in class- parents invited to help.
Tuesday 4th April	3 way conferences with teacher, child and parents for 1/2P
Wednesday 5th April	3 way conferences with teacher, child and parents for KP
Friday 7th April	Easter Hat Parade/ Fun Day activities /out of Uniform day, Final day of Term.
School Holidays	Monday 10th April.-26th April. Teachers Professional Development day is Tuesday 24th April.
Friday 28th April	Bike Day Whole School excursion at Peace Park Cessnock

ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL SELF PORTRAITS BY KP



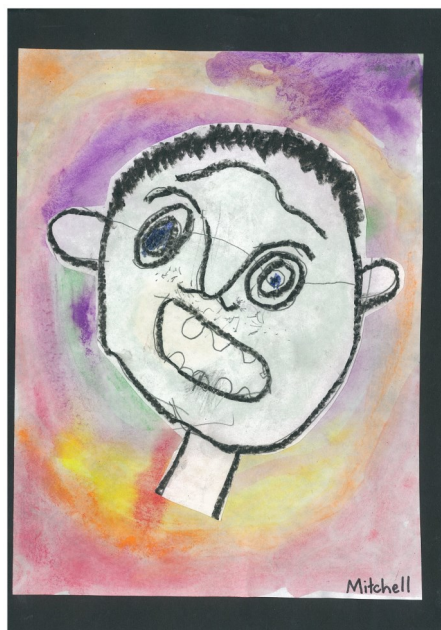
The children in KP painted their backgrounds and then followed instructions from Mr Ping to draw their self portraits which they all did independently.

ICE CREAM DAY ON FRIDAY

Due to the Bike Day being postponed, Miss Wood and Miss Pollock are selling ice creams with sprinkles at lunch time as a fundraiser for the Year 2 gift. The cost will be \$1.50c.



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POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING FOCUS FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

WEEK 10. 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

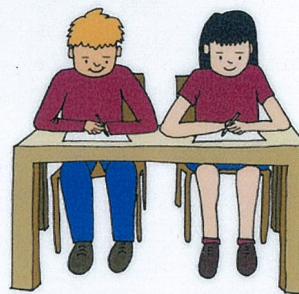


WEEK 11. Children will have lessons about what "Doing your job " involves and why it is important to think about themselves and getting their own work completed so they don't disturb others around them. Children will be rewarded with Stan and Merthi tickets for following this PBL expectation

This week the focus is to:

Be Responsible

Do your job



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. We are now beginning the expectations to teach Being Responsible.

INTRODUCING COMMUNITY POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

Businesses in the Kurri Community are eager to support out local schools in our endeavour to promote positive values for our students.

Kurri Kurri Library and Kurri Aquatic Pool are two places our students could be rewarded with a "Basa" token for being respectful, responsible students who act safely and show that they are an active citizen. If your child receives a token please bring it into Mrs Carr and select your reward. The choice of rewards are as shown in this photo.



Show how responsible you can be in the community and YOU can be rewarded.



Kurri Kurri Learning Community – Positive Behaviour for Learning

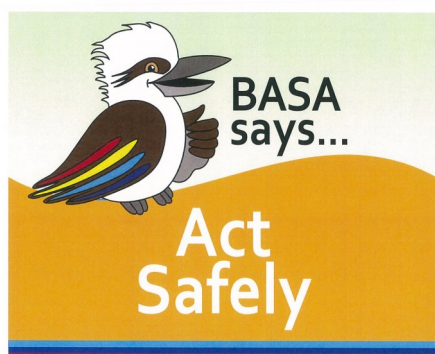
BASA REWARDS



Respect rules, other people and property in the community and YOU can be rewarded.



Kurri Kurri Learning Community – Positive Behaviour for Learning



Act Safely in the community and YOU can be rewarded.



Kurri Kurri Learning Community – Positive Behaviour for Learning

The kingfisher was chosen as the mascot for Community PBL as he is recognised by all Kurri Kurri residents.



Be an active participant and lend a helping hand in the community and YOU can be rewarded.



Kurri Kurri Learning Community – Positive Behaviour for Learning



EASTER RAFFLE



Please return tickets to school office in a sealed envelope with correct payment **(cash only)**

and child's name and class clearly marked on the front.

Please return by Thursday 6th April, 2017.

Drawn on Friday 7th April 2017.

\$1—1 ticket

\$5.00—10 tickets

It would greatly assist us if you could cut the tickets along the lines before sending in.

SMIS Easter Raffle	SMIS Easter Raffle	SMIS Easter Raffle	SMIS Easter Raffle	SMIS Easter Raffle
Name	Name	Name	Name	Name
Class or Phone	Class or Phone	Class or Phone	Class or Phone	Class or Phone
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STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

28th March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Stanford Merthyr Infants School will transition to the new NSW public schools' finance system and a new bank account on **24 July 2017**.

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept parent or carer payments.

Direct deposits: As of **30 June 2017**, we will no longer accept direct deposits into our current school bank account as we prepare to close this account and transition to the new one. Any payments made using direct deposit after this date cannot be properly allocated to a student's account in a timely manner. Please ensure you have made any outstanding direct deposits before **30 June 2017**.

EFTPOS payments: We will not be able to accept EFTPOS payments between **19 July** and **24 July 2017**. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding EFTPOS payments before **19 July 2017**. From **25 July 2017**, EFTPOS payments will be accepted as before.

Cash and cheque payments: Between **19 July 2017** and **24 July 2017**, we will also not be able to accept payments by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding cash or cheque payments before **19 July 2017**. From **25 July 2017**, cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system. If you have any questions, please contact **02 4937 1192**

Anne Carr
Principal


ICE CREAM DAY THIS FRIDAY

Due to the Bike Day being postponed, Miss Wood and Miss Pollock are selling ice creams with sprinkles at lunch time as a fundraiser for the Year 2 gift.

The cost will be \$1.50c.



Easter Holiday Ideas

Kurri Kurri Vacation Care April 2017 Phone: 4936 2030 Fax: 4936 2304 Email: oosh@kkcc.com.au				
Week One - Please note the program may be subject to change without notice due to unforeseen circumstances				
Monday 10-04-17 Easter Craft  FREE	Tuesday 11-04-17 PCYC *LIMIT 50 CHILDREN*  PCYC Cessnock Depart: 10:00am Return: 1:00pm *COMPULSORY* \$18.00	Wednesday 12-04-17 Naked Eggs  The Power of Science FREE	Thursday 13-04-17 Easter Egg hunt & Hat parade  FREE	Friday 14-04-17 GOOD FRIDAY 
Week Two - Please note the program may be subject to change without notice due to unforeseen circumstances				
Monday 17-04-17 EASTER MONDAY  FREE	Tuesday 18-04-17 Flipout *LIMIT 50 CHILDREN*  Flipout Thornton Depart: 10:15am Return: 12:30pm *COMPULSORY* \$22.00	Wednesday 19-04-17 Library Reptile show  Kurri Kurri Library Depart: 12:45pm Return: 2:15pm *COMPULSORY* \$7.00	Thursday 20-04-17 Library ANZAC Exhibition  Kurri Kurri Library Depart: 10:15am Return: 11:45am *COMPULSORY* FREE	Friday 21-04-17 Obstacle Course & Hot Dog Day  \$2.50 Each
Week Three - Please note the program may be subject to change without notice due to unforeseen circumstances				
Monday 24-04-17 Free Play  FREE	Tuesday 25-04-17 ANZAC DAY 	Wednesday 26-04-17 BACK TO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY 26TH APRIL 2017 	Thursday 27-04-17	Friday 28-04-17

Kurri Kurri Community Services
Vacation Care
112 Lang St Kurri Kurri
Phone: 4936 2030 Fax: 4936 2304
Email: oosh@kkcc.com.au
6:30AM - 6:30PM
BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

April holiday activities @ your library
Bookings essential, numbers strictly limited, no refunds.
Tickets on sale late March.

Easter Craft – ages 5+

Monday April 10 Cessnock Library 2.00 – 3.00
FREE
Wednesday April 12 Kurri Kurri Library 2.00 – 3.00 FREE
Brighten up this Easter with some egg-straordinary Easter craft!

Easter Storytime– ages 2-6

Tuesday April 11 Cessnock Library 10.00 – 10.45
FREE
Wednesday April 12 Kurri Kurri Library 10.00 – 10.45 FREE
Stories, songs and craft about Easter

Movie & Craft – ages 5+

Thursday April 13 Kurri Kurri Library 2.00 – 4.00
FREE
Tuesday April 18 Cessnock Library 2.00 – 4.00
FREE

Healthy Harold Merchandise Order Form . Orders to be handed into the Office with cash payment by the Monday 8th May

Product description	Price Incl. GST
Tattoo	\$0.50
Harold Sticky Note Pad	\$1.50
Harold Activity Bag	N/A
Harold Keyring	\$3.00

Product description	Price Incl. GST
Harold Hand Ball	\$3.00
Harold Stationery Set	N/A
Small Harold Soft Toy	\$8.00
Large Harold Soft Toy	\$15.00

NB Harold Products are subject to availability
Life Education NSW thanks you for your support.



☐ I would like to donate _____ to Life Education NSW.
Gifts of \$2.00 or over are tax deductible.

Name: _____ Phone (optional): _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Email (optional) _____ Child's Class: _____

Visit Life Education at www.lifeeducation.org.au or www.healthyharold.org.au

PLAYGROUP

Stanford Merthyr Infants School

Maitland Street STANFORD MERTHYR

for enquiries phone 4937 1192

Playgroup is held every Tuesday from 9.15am to 11.00am during School Terms

Our playgroup is an opportunity for young children and their Parents/Carers to:

- Meets new friends and other parents
- Be in a safe, relaxed and child friendly environment
- Engage in creative play
- Encourage the development of gross & fine motor skills
- Be a part of a School readiness program with independent play & group sessions

To help with resources, we ask for a gold coin donation

Mother's Day High Tea !

The Staff would like to honour all of our Mother's by

Inviting you to a Special High Tea on

Friday 5th May 2017

We will serve the High Tea in the Library

at 9am

We ask please if you could let the Office know if you can attend

by Monday 1st of May, for catering purposes.

We hope you will be able to attend !



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE CHILDREN WHO HAVE CELEBRATED !



15th Mar Taylah H
18th Mar Malachi C
23rd Mar Kye R

17th Mar Summer G
19th Mar Riley Z



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

*At the assembly on Thursday the 16th & 23rd March 2017, these children all received awards.
Congratulations !!*

KP	KHM	1/2P	1/2W
Kaitlyn M Quality work and enthusiasm Mia W Fantastic Effort in all Areas	Amelia F Being a confident enthusiastic Learner Sarah P Confidence in Writing	Sarah R Working hard with reading! Kye R Working hard during Maths groups	Taylah H Always putting in 100% effort to everything she does Riley Z Increased confidence in Writing
Quality 5 Bookwork Anthony C Tiana J	Quality 5 Bookwork Wyatt B Brody P	Quality 5 Bookwork Abbigale L Cru B	Quality 5 Bookwork Mackynlee R Taylah H



POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS



Be Respectful ~ Use nice Talk Jessie C Be Respectful ~ Being honest Mitchell W	Be Respectful ~ Use nice Talk Nolan P Be Respectful ~ Being honest Kayla B	Be Respectful ~ Use nice Talk Jackson R Be Respectful ~ Being honest Emilia B	Be Respectful ~ Use nice Talk Jayda S Be Respectful ~ Being honest Naomi Mc
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Home Reading Awards 2017

Bronze (25 nights reading)

Tye M, Jason D, Tahj D, Kade H, Naomi Mc, Bella R, Chelsea C, Neve H, Jayda S, Amahlia N, Ammon C, Raegan B, Mia W, Lincoln W, Cam S, Kaitlyn M, Wyatt B, Lincoln B, Danial H, Amber C, Grace M, Taylah H, Lhotse C, Amelia F, Sarah P, Brody P, Hudson C, Charlie S

Silver (50 nights reading)

Patrick L

Gold (75 nights reading)

Double Bronze (100 nights reading)

Double Silver (125 nights reading)

Double Gold (150 nights reading)

Royal (200 nights reading)

Double Royal (250 nights reading)

Excellence (300 nights reading)



PRINCIPALS AWARD

(Collecting 5 Awards)

Chelsea C, Naomi Mc, Kailie W

STAR STUDENT AWARD

(Collecting 5 Principal's Awards)