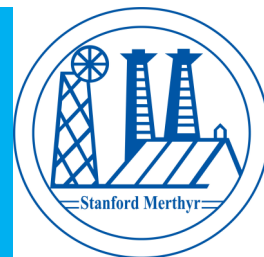


Newsletter to Parents

STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Striving for Excellence



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Week 1 Term 2

26th April 2017

BAKER, BAKER FRIDAY

28th April No Baker Baker
Bike Day

5th May KP Cohen J
KHM Sarah P
1/2P Beau G
1/2W Beau M

NO PEANUT PRODUCTS ARE TO BE USED



CANTEEN ROSTER

The canteen is open Mondays and Fridays.

Fri 28th Apr Canteen Closed Bike Day
Mon 1st May Shanelle & Mel
Fri 5th May Lee
Mon 8th May Barbara

THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK

Thur 27th April Liz McDonald
Thur 4th May Kelly Walker

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



BIKE DAY EXCURSION THIS FRIDAY.

Unfortunately we need to ask you to sign a new permission note that will be at the office. Thank you for your understanding.

MAKING EASTER HATS IN CLASS



Term 2 Assembly Roster Thursdays 2:15pm

April 27th	No assembly
May 4th	1/2P present work
May 11th	1/2W present work
May 18th	KHM present work
May 25th	KP present work
June 1st	1/2 W perform item
June 8th	1/2P perform item
June 15th	KHM perform item
June 22nd	Year 1 / 2 speeches
June 29th	KP perform item

EXPO FOR PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN BEGINNING KINDERGARTEN NEXT YEAR THUR 11TH MAY

All the services available for families with young children will be at this expo. It will be at **Rotary Park Kurri Kurri from 9:30-1:30am**. Our school is having a stall as well as having an activity set up for your child to engage with. I hope to see you there. Please inform any parents with 4 year old children that this is on.

NEWSLETTER DATES FOR TERM 2

Newsletters will come home with the oldest child Wednesday 26th April, then Tuesdays 9th May, 23rd May, 6th June and 20th June.

EASTER ACTIVITIES

Thank you to the many parents, carers and grandparents who supported their children by coming to help them make their hats and then to watch them proudly sing the songs they had learnt and parade their hats.



LOCAL MANAGEMENT BUSINESS REFORM (LMBR)

This term I am being trained in a new finance system that the Department of Education are implementing. I will therefore not be at school 6 days this term on these dates; 12th May, 18th May, 19th May, 26th May, 9th June, 19th June. Mrs Cant and Mrs Brandt have to undertake 15 days of training this term.

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.

YEAR 2 ICECREAM FUNDRAISER

Thank you to Miss Wood and Miss Pollock who organised the ice cream day. The Year 2's have raised \$62.90 from this event to go towards their Year 2 gift.

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.

SMALL SCHOOLS CARNIVAL TUESDAY 23rd MAY (back up date if wet is the following Tuesday 30th MAY)

A permission note is available at the office for all children to participate in the Small Schools Carnival which will be Tuesday 23rd May. We join in with all other small schools in the Cessnock area. Our whole school will be going to this. A back up date will be the 30th May if it should be wet. There is no cost for this excursion. Parents are responsible for transporting their children to Turner Park at Cessnock. Please return this note to the office by Friday 19th May.

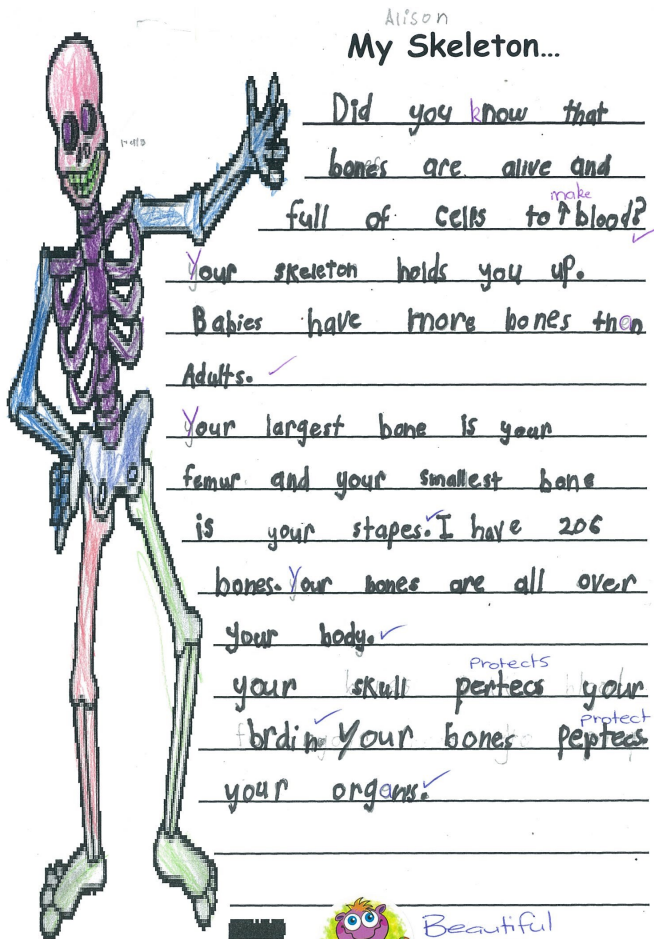
Calendar of Events for Term Two 2017

Mondays all year	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	Playgroup for all children birth to 5 years 9:30am-11:00 here at school
Monday 24th April	Teachers return, Staff development Day
Wednesday 26th April	All students return. Anzac Service here at school 11:00am.
Friday 28th April	Bike Day Whole School excursion at Peace Park Cessnock
Monday 1st May	Boxes of chocolates handed out to interested parents to sell.
Friday 5th May	Mothers Day High Tea 9am in the library
Wednesday 10th May	Life Education excursion
Thursday 11th May	Early Childhood Expo at Rotary Park Kurri for pre-schoolers starting school in 2018
Friday 12th May	Mothers Day stall
Monday 15th May	Parent workshop on Numeracy 9am in the library
Wednesdays 17th, 24th May, 14th June	Creative and Practical Arts Groups 2pm. Parents and Grandparents invited to assist.
Friday 19th May	Walk to school day
Tuesday 23rd May	Small Schools sports carnival at Turner Park Cessnock
Wednesday 24th May	Health Screening checks for Aboriginal students in Kindergarten
Friday 26th May	Kinder Oakvale excursion and Year 1 /2 Blackbutt excursion (Fri 2nd June if wet)
Friday 26th May	Chocolate money due back to school please.
Tuesday 30th May	Back up date for Small Schools Carnival if wet on the 23rd.
Monday 5th June	Public Speaking topics for Years 1 and 2 handed out.
Thursday 8th June	Naidoc vist to Pelaw Main
Monday 12th June	Queen's birthday holiday
Friday 9th June	School Disco 5-7pm in the school hall followed by dinner at McDonalds 7-8pm
Tuesday 20th June	Transition for Pre-Schoolers beginning kindergarten 2018. 12:30-1:30pm.
Thursday 22nd June	Public Speaking finalists present speeches in assembly 2:15pm
Monday 26th June	Students present speeches to Nillo Infants and New Lambton Infants via video conferencing.
Wednesday 28th June	Semester One Reports handed out
Friday 30th June	Last day of term fun day

Our staff 2017.



ENJOY THE STORIES AND ART WORK BY 1/2W ON THE HUMAN BODY

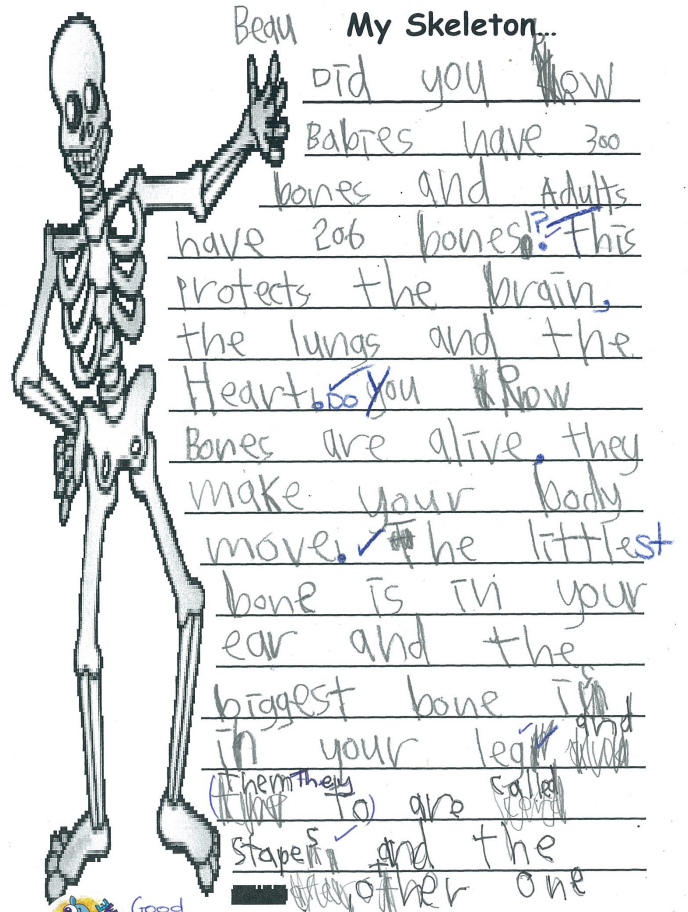


Alison
My Skeleton...

Did you know that bones are alive and full of cells to ^{make} blood? Your skeleton holds you up. Babies have more bones than Adults. Your largest bone is your femur and your smallest bone is your stapes. I have 206 bones. Your bones are all over your body. your skull protects your brain. Your bones protect your organs.



Beautiful
By Alison
Alison!



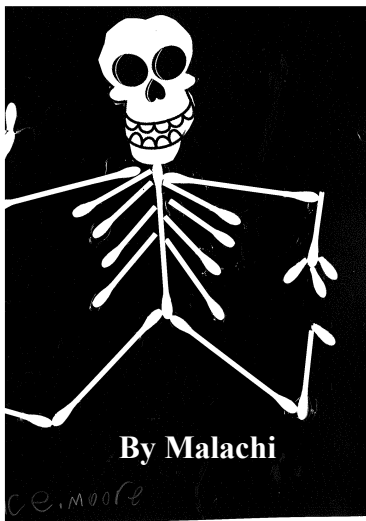
Beau My Skeleton...

Did you know Babies have 300 bones and Adults have 206 bones? This protects the brain, the lungs and the Heart. You know Bones are alive, they make your body move. The littlest bone is in your ear and the biggest bone is in your leg. ^{them they} ~~them they~~ are called Stapes and the ~~other~~ ^{other} one is called femur.

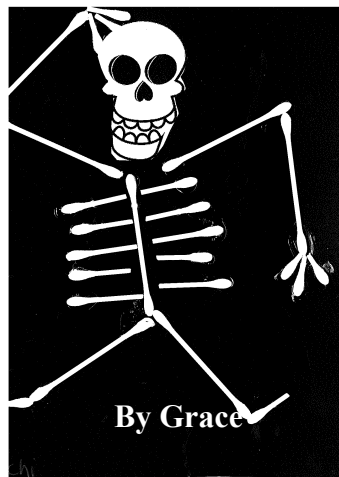


Good work
Beau!

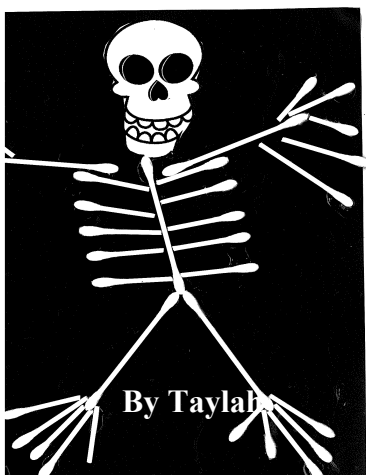
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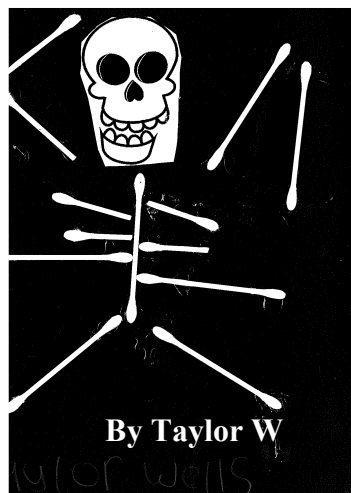
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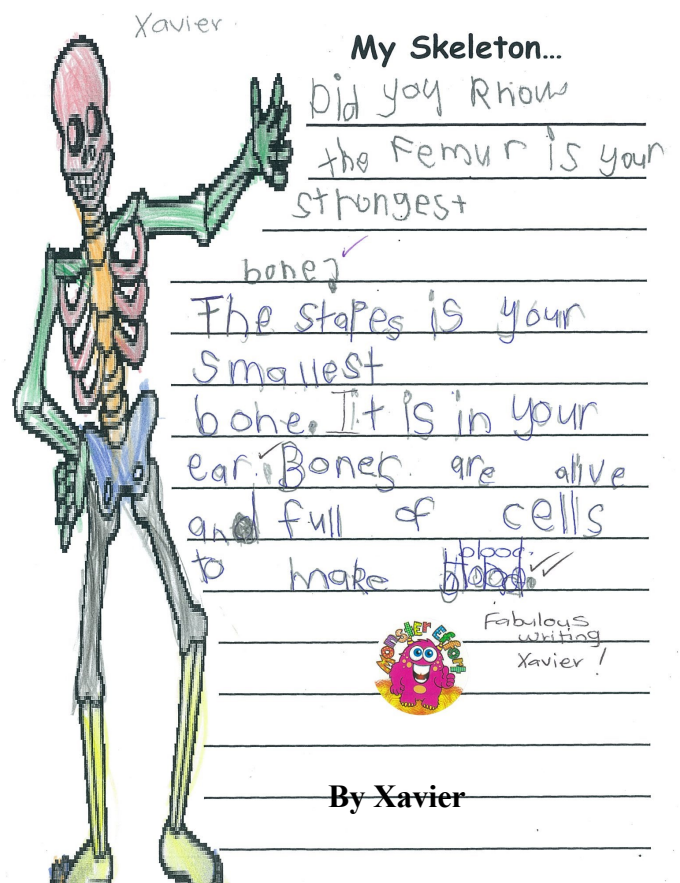
By Grace



By Taylah



By Taylor W



Xavier

My Skeleton...

Did you know the femur is your strongest bone?

The stapes is your smallest bone. It is in your ear. Bones are alive and full of cells to make blood.



Fabulous
writing
Xavier!

By Xavier



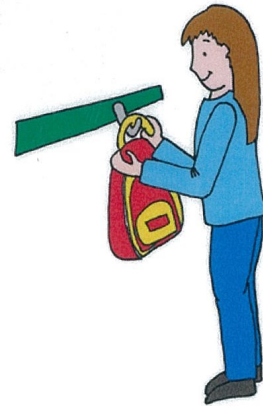
POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING FOCUS FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

WEEK 1 Term 2. Children will be reminded that being organised is crucial if they are going to be active learners. We will explain how they need to look after their personal property and have it in the right place as well as have all equipment for lessons ready on their desk.

This week the focus is to:

Be Responsible

Be organised



WEEK 2 Children will discuss in what ways they can help others, both their peers and teachers as well as their parents and why helping others is such an important attribute to help them develop meaningful friendships and to enrich others lives. Children will be rewarded with Stan and Merthi tickets for following this PBL expectation

This week the focus is to:

Be Responsible

Help others



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 working on the **four** 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 Kookaburra 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



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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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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

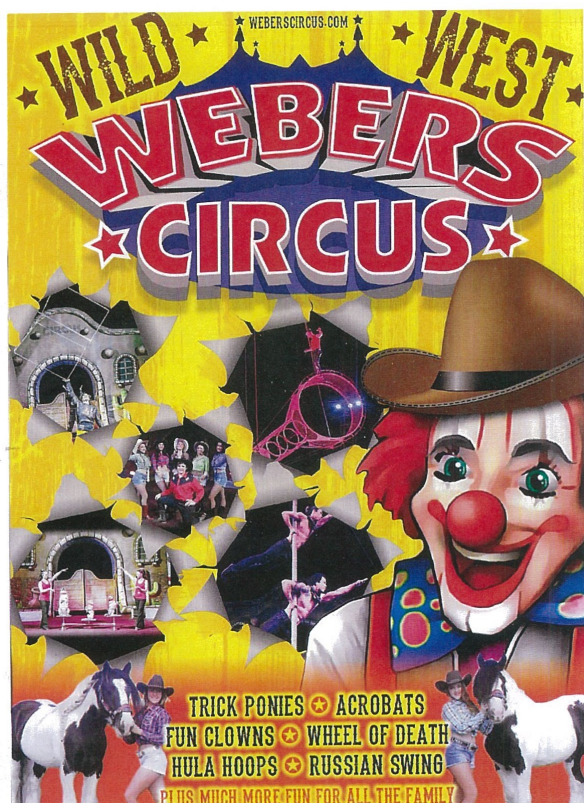
at 9am

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 !





4th-7th MAY

CESSNOCK SHOWGROUND

CASH SALES ONLY MOUNT VIEW rd

SHOWTIMES		TICKET PRICES	
Thurs 04 th MAY	7.00 pm	VIP RINGSIDE	:Adult \$ 42 Child \$ 32
Fri 05 th MAY	7.00 pm	RINGSIDE	: Adult \$ 35 Child \$ 25
Sat 06 th MAY	3.00 pm & 7.00 pm	A RESERVE	: Adult \$ 30 Child \$ 20
Sun 07 th MAY	11.00 am ONLY	B RESERVE	: Adult \$ 28 Child \$ 18

'With a Touch of The Wild West' Featuring Pole, Silks, Miniature Horses, Trapeze dogs & clowns plus exciting circus acts and Western dancing. Fun & laughter for all ages

PHONE BOOKINGS 0448 247 287—0448 CIRCUS
 (Child pays 3 to 14 years) (TICKETS ON SALE 1 HOUR BEFORE EACH SHOW)
 or CASH SALES AT THE ON SITE BOX OFFICE (Wed to Sun)
 (10am-5pm) or BOOK ONLINE: www.weberscircus.com

\$3 ea

High Bounce Handballs

These popular High Bounce Handballs are lightweight and perfect for fun in the playground.

Stewart House Day

High Bounce Balls will be sold from Monday 22nd May for \$3 each.

Also donation envelopes have been sent home with todays Newsletter.

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

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE CHILDREN WHO HAVE CELEBRATED !



25th March Naomi Mc

27th March Maeve P

3rd April Lincoln W



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

**At the assembly on Thursday the 30th March & 6th April 2017, these children all received awards.
Congratulations !!**

KP	KHM	1/2P	1/2W
Jessie C Steady improvement in all Areas Aydin Y Wonderful effort in reading group tasks	Kade H Amazing effort and achievement Jazmin L Fantastic reading strategies	Lhotse C Putting 100% effort into everything Beau G Working hard in Maths time to improve counting on and back skills	Malachi C Being a responsible, caring member of 1/2W Beau M Showing very responsible behaviours in class and the playground
Quality 5 Bookwork Mia W Tahj D	Quality 5 Bookwork Mackenzie D Charlie S	Quality 5 Bookwork Isabella H Jackson R	Quality 5 Bookwork Xavier L Riley Z



POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS



Be Respectful ~ Use 6 L's Maeve P Be Responsible ~ Do your job Amber C	Be Respectful ~ Use 6 L's Bella R Be Responsible ~ Do your job Danial H	Be Respectful ~ Use 6 L's Patrick L Be Responsible ~ Do your job Jade C	Be Respectful ~ Use 6 L's Stella F Be Responsible ~ Do your job Alison E
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Home Reading Awards 2017

Bronze (25 nights reading)

Stella F, Sarah R, Juliet M, Kayla B, Cohen J, Kye R

Silver (50 nights reading)

Cooper J, Abbigale L, Jazmin L, Koby S, Mitchell W, Taylor W, Anthony C, Beau M, Malachi C

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)

Neve H, Kye R, Beau M

STAR STUDENT AWARD

(Collecting 5 Principal's Awards)