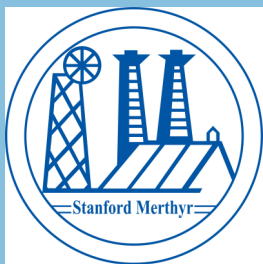


Newsletter

Stanford Merthyr Infants School



VISION STATEMENT
*WORKING TOGETHER,
MAKING A DIFFERENCE
WITH EVERY CHILD*

Dates to Remember This Newsletter

Monday

26 Mar - Making Easter Hats
2-3pm

- P&C Meeting 6pm

2nd Apr - Easter Monday

Thursday

29 Mar - Easter Hat Parade @
1.30pm

- Easter Raffle Drawn

Friday

30 Mar - Good Friday

BAKER BAKER and
Fruit Break Roster now
located on Award Page
Canteen Roster on
notice board under
COLA Area

All permission notes
will only be available
from the Office for
you to sign

Thought of the Fortnight



You're braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem, and
smarter than you think.

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Term 1 Week 8

20th March, 2018

CHANGE OF DATES

1. **3 Ways Interviews for Miss Humbles Class**—Kangaroos is now Friday 6th April.
2. **Making Easter Hats** in class with parents and grandparents—Monday 26th March- now at 2pm-3pm.
3. **P&C meeting** is now 26th March at 6pm.
4. **Kookaburra Assembly Item** will now be Thursday 5th April
5. **Kangaroo Assembly Item** has been changed to Thursday 12th April.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

Year 2 were great citizens cleaning up rubbish at Stanford Park. They understand the importance of placing all rubbish in the bin and keeping our parks and playgrounds clean and safe.



The other students did a great job ensuring our playground is clean.



DOMINIOS PIZZA FUNDRAISER

Thankyou to Dominos and all of the families who supported this fundraiser by purchasing a pizza from Dominos at Kurri. \$190.00 was raised for the school which will go towards our Year 2 gift for the end of the year.

EXCURSION TO HUNTER LIFE EDUCATION AT EDGEWORTH WEDNESDAY 16TH MAY

Our annual Life Education visit for all students is being held on **WEDNESDAY 16TH 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) Merchandise orders with exact money are to be handed in to the office by Friday 11th May.

Permission notes are at the office to sign.

NEW CAR TRACK IN THE PLAYGROUND

I wish to thank Mrs Naomi Forster for coming up with the idea of making a bike track for our students to use in the playground. With Mr Onslow's assistance it is now completed and is being enjoyed by our students.



EASTER RAFFLE

As part of our Easter celebrations we are having an Easter Raffle. We would like to thank all those families who have already donated eggs and items to be included as part of our raffle. If you would still like to make a donation, please take your donation into the school office. Thank you.



MAKING EASTER HATS IN CLASS

Children will be making their Easter hats in class **next Monday 26th March**.

Please note the new time of 2:00–3pm. 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 for our School. If you are able to, raffle sheets are available from the Office, and need to be returned by Wednesday 28th March. Prizes will be awarded at the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 29th March.



EASTER HAT PARADE HERE 1:30PM THURSDAY 29TH MARCH 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.

EASTER BREAK

School will be closed on Good Friday, 30th March and Easter Monday, 2nd April. Students return to School on Tuesday 3rd April.

CELEBRATING DIFFERENCE PROGRAM FUNDED BY "VARIETY"

Amy from Variety, has been here for the last two Fridays and has taught two lessons to each class explaining how we are all special but are all different. This has been aimed at the students understanding how some people have to cope with a disability.



2018 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Every Week	Breakfast Club	Student Banking Play Group 9.30 to 11.00am		Fruit Platter Supplied School Assembly @ 2.15pm	
WK 8 Mar 19-23				Present work at Assembly— Platypuses	
WK 9 Mar 26-30	Making Easter Hats in Class 2pm-3pm			Easter Hat Parade 1.30pm	GOOD FRIDAY
WK 10 Apr 2-6	EASTER MONDAY	Teddy Bears Picnic for 2019 Kinders 3 Way Conference Kookaburras—Mr Ping		Author Talk at Kurri Kurri Public School "Silly Rhymes and Silly Times" Present work at Assembly - Kookaburras	3 Way Conference Kangaroos— Miss Humbles
WK 11 Apr 9-13	Parent Numeracy Workshop 9:15-10:15			Class of Term Party Present work at Assembly— Kangaroos	LAST DAY OF TERM Fun Day Activities Out of Uniform Day

PARENTS CORNER

SEVEN UPLIFTING WAYS TO PROMOTE SELF ESTEEM IN CHILDREN.

By Jeff Haywood Psychologist, Active beat.

Creating a confident base in early childhood can build better self-esteem later in life, but you may not realize that you play a big role in fostering this positivity. Your child looks to you for cues that help them form their own self-image.

While you're tripping over yourself trying to make sure your child has all the latest toys and clothes, keep in mind that a "positive sense of self is one of the greatest gifts you can give your child," says Parents.com. Let's look at seven simple ways to help your child value themselves...

1. Give them (Easy) Choices

You may be in a pattern of making choices on behalf of your child to save time and to get things done, and there are many cases where this is pretty much the only option. However, [Parents.com](https://www.parents.com) notes there are some situations where you can make your child feel more important by putting the decision in their hands.

One easy way to this is at the breakfast table, it notes, for example, giving them the choice between eggs or pancakes. "Learning to make simple choices while he's young will help prepare your child for the more difficult choices he'll face as he grows," adds the source.

2. Give Proper Praise

Your instinct may be to praise your child for everything they do...because they're the smartest kid in the world, right? (So is everyone else's kid!). And while we don't doubt your child is awesome, you can actually be doing them a disservice by telling them that too often.

[KidsHealth.org](https://kidshealth.org) notes that "over-praising" may not feel earned by the child, and they might start to doubt your sincerity. The source gives an example of a child that has a lousy game. Let's say they missed a few chances to score a goal—that is told they played well. "It's better to say, 'I know that wasn't your best performance, but we all have off days. I'm proud of you for not giving up,'" offers the source.

3. Let Them Take Small Risks

Building confidence is all about your kids clearing small hurdles—on their own. That means you shouldn't rush in every time you think your kid needs help, notes Today's Parent magazine.

The article gives an example of a mum that watches her child lift a jug of juice on their own. Instead of rushing over to avoid a mishap, she held her breath and let him pour it into a glass (which he promptly missed). But the kicker is that her son flagged down a waitress to ask for paper towel and did the cleanup himself, which is a big step in taking charge of a situation. **(To be continued next newsletter)**



BACK TO STANFORD AFTERNOON FOR 2017'S YEAR 2 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.

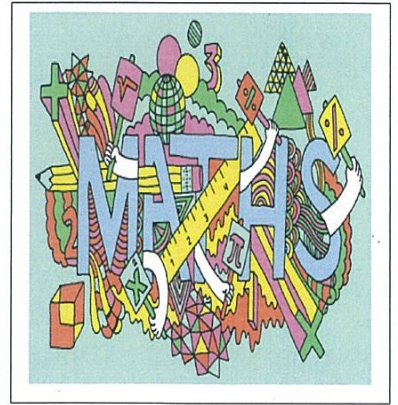


PARENT WORKSHOP

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD
WITH NUMERACY

WITH MRS WARREN-DAVEY
AND MRS CARR

MONDAY 9th APRIL
9:15 a.m. -10:15 a.m.



This workshop is aimed at the families of all of our students K-2 and will assist you in building confidence to play numeracy learning games at home.

Mrs Warren-Davey will show videos of our students working to build their number sense. This will be a very practical information session. Useful resources we use at school will be given to you to keep building your child's success in numeracy at home.

We will be here to answer any questions you may have.

We hope you will come to our second parent workshop on the 9th of April.

Anne Carr and Christine Warren-Davey

HAROLD MERCHANDISE



Dear Parents,

Life Education NSW is a not for profit organisation that relies on the support of the community to assist us in reaching our fundraising goals. Every Harold product purchased helps us visit more children in NSW.

The sale of Harold merchandise to the children whilst the program is visiting each school supports our overall fundraising activities and helps cover the gap between the cost of delivery and what parents and schools pay for our program. These products help to remind children about the messages delivered to them during their Life Education session and have either a picture of Harold or the Life Education logo on them.

The educator will provide the opportunity for children to purchase these products during the school visit. **Please DO NOT make online payments to your school. Please provide the correct money in an envelope with the item written on the face of the envelope along with your child's name and class.** This allows the educator to process orders efficiently and accurately. Orders will be returned by the conclusion of the visit. You can also check out our NEW product range online by visiting www.lifeeducation.org.au/shop

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Name: _____ Class: _____

Product Description	Price Incl. GST	QTY	Product Description	Price Incl. GST	QTY
Tattoo	\$0.50		Large Harold Soft Toy	\$15.00	
Harold Post-it-note	\$1.50		Harold Stationery Set	Check availability with Educator	
Harold Hand Ball	\$3.00		Harold Keyring	Check availability with Educator	
Small Harold Soft Toy	\$8.00				
Total Owing	\$		Total Owing	\$	

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

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

Name: _____ Phone (optional): _____

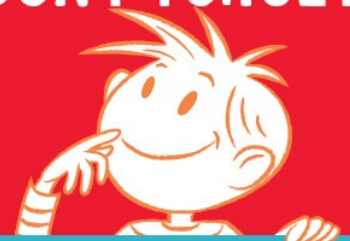
Address: _____ Suburb: _____

Postcode: _____ Email (optional): _____

Child's Class: _____

Visit Life Education at www.lifeeducation.org.au

DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

orders are due:

28th March 2018

STUDENT AWARDS

Kookaburras

Marley D

Kangaroos

Buddy M
Confidence with Numbers

Platypus

Isabella H
Being a motivated Reader

Emu

Cooper J
Amazing focus and stamina in Writing

Ciara H
Excellent contribution to Quality talk

Hudson C
Increased confidence and achievement in Reading

Mitchell W
Working hard in Writing Time

Charlotte P
Persistence and Effort in Writing

QUALITY 5 BOOKWORK

Kookaburras

Malikye W
Billie-Roze W

Kangaroos

Asher C
Harvey W

Platypus

Jayda S
Kaitlyn M

Emu

Abbigale L
Zeppelin G

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS

Kookaburras

Be Safe– Use Equipment Safely
Eden M

Be Respectful– Use nice talk

Kangaroos

Zoey G

Platypus

Jazmin L

Emu

Anthony C

HOME READING AWARDS

Bronze (25 nights reading)

Tahj, Billie-Roze, Cooper T, Charlotte S, Jazmin, Abbigale, Juliet, Eden, Lincoln, Mia , Kye, Cam, Ruby, Brody, Cooper M, Zoey, Asher, Deaken, Sarah, Kobi, Lachlan, Cohen, Kade, Blake, Grace, Kaitlyn, Esther, Naomi, Miley, Lilikah, Banjo, Bella, Raegan, Danial,

Silver (50 nights reading)

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)

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Lincoln W, Kade H, Mitchell W,

BAKER BAKER

23 Mar	Kookaburras	Malikye W
	Kangaroos	Zoey G
	Emus	Amelia F
	Platypuses	Isabella H
30 Mar	Kookaburras	No Baker
	Kangaroos	Baker
	Emus	- Good -
	Platypuses	- Friday -

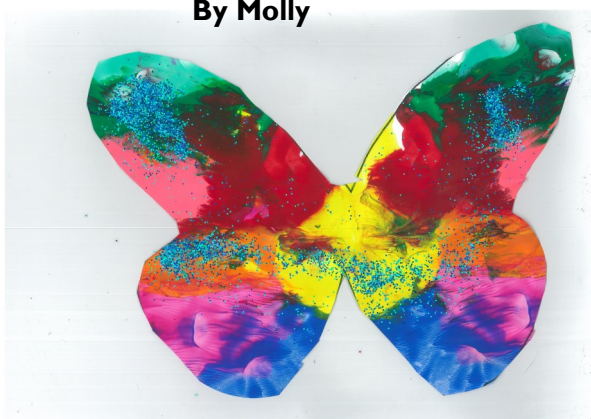
THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK

22nd March	Kristen Hardcastle
29th March	Karen Cameron

ENJOY ART WORK BY THE KANGAROOS CLASS



By Molly



By Phoebe

