

# Newsletter

## Stanford Merthyr Infants School



VISION STATEMENT  
WORKING TOGETHER,  
MAKING A DIFFERENCE  
WITH EVERY CHILD

**BAKER BAKER ~ FRIDAY**

**Friday 29th**

**No Baker  
Baker**

**Friday 6th**

**No Baker  
Baker**

**THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK**

**Thursday 28th November  
Vanessa Mudd**

**Thursday 5th December  
Clarissa Woodger**

All permission notes  
are available from the  
Office for you to sign

**Thought of the Fortnight**



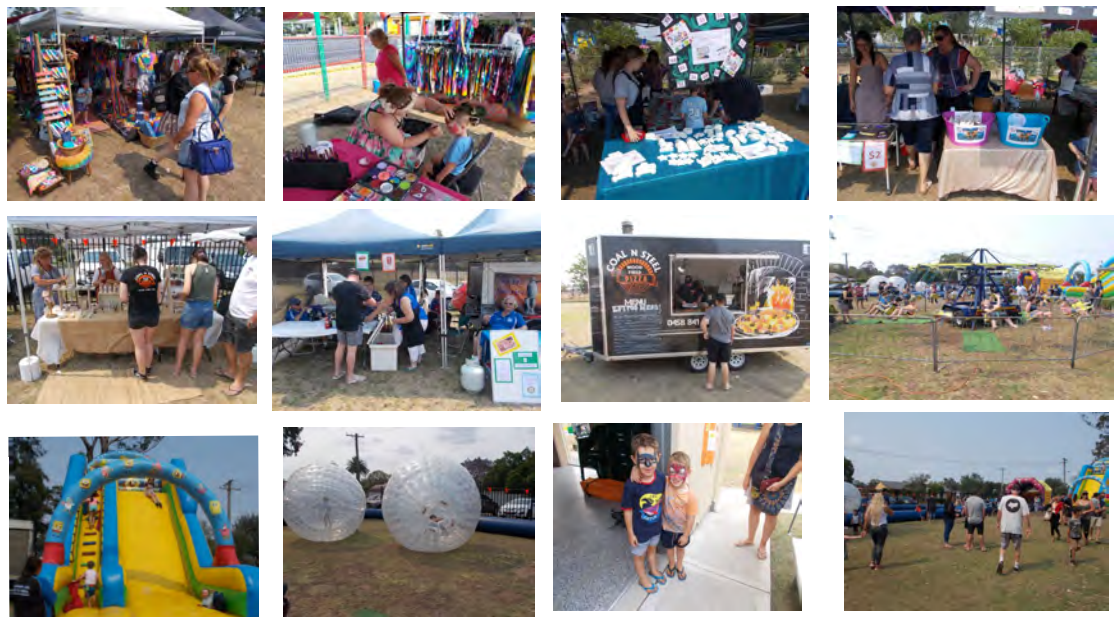
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**Term 4 Week 7**

**26th November 2019**

### SPRING FAIR

This was a very successful event. We were fortunate to not have fire, smoke or rain that would have hampered our day. I want to express my sincere thanks to the members of the P&C who did a wonderful job organising the fair and to the staff of our school who ran stalls on the day. We raised a profit of \$2114.50 which will enable the P&C to purchase resources in 2020 for our students.



The raffle raised \$355 and would not have been possible without the generous donations from the following businesses and individuals. Thank you!



Cheese board and candle donated by Amber Parry  
Crocheted rugs and crochet cushion donated by Cassie Alder  
1 book pack donated by Laura Hockley  
Swimming voucher for \$100 donated by Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre  
2x \$40 vouchers from Heavenly Horizons at Kurri Kurri  
2 rugby league footballs, 2 rugby league sunhats and 3 rugby league drink bottles donated by the Tobacconist Shop at Kurri Kurri  
1 \$50 voucher donated by Creative Village Newcastle  
1 succulent pot plant donated by Lauren Harris  
1 tie dyed pillow and 2 tie dyed pillowcases donated by Creative Village Newcastle.

**Term 4 Assembly Roster Thursdays @ 2:15pm**

**Thurs 12th Dec**

**Year 2 Final assembly. All parents invited.**



**VIEW OUR SUCCESSFUL TRANSITIONS FOR KINDER 2020 AND OUR CURRENT STUDENTS GOING INTO YEAR ONE AND YEAR 2.**



All children know what class they will be in next year. They know their friends and have made connections with the teacher they will have next year. We know doing these sessions over a six week period reduces any anxiety your child may have and allows teachers time to form relationships with your child.





Calendar of Events for Term Four 2019	
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 25th Nov- 6th Dec	10 days of Swimming 2.00-3.00 pm at Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre
Wednesday 11th December	Parent Helper Afternoon tea
Thursday 12th December	Class of the term party
Thursday 12th December	Year 2 Assembly -2.00 pm in the hall
Monday 16th December	Presentation Night 5.00 pm in the School Hall
Monday 16th December	Reports and Student Portfolios handed out
Tuesday 17th December	Whole school Party Day
Wednesday 18th December	Water Fun Day. Final day of School for 2019

### END OF YEAR PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY MONDAY 16TH DECEMBER IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Please note the time for this special assembly is 5:00pm, a night time presentation assembly this year.

### SWIMMING PROGRAM BEGAN YESTERDAY

Swimming is taking place for ten days and will finish the 6th December. Thank you for your patience as I mark off each child at the end of the lesson. I want to ensure all children are safely handed to their parents. Unfortunately all children need to get out of the pool at 2:45pm, even if you are staying to let them swim longer. Rules at the pool mean you need to pay again if you want them to swim longer.

### LIBRARY BORROWING FINISHED FOR 2019.

Mrs Ceccato, our librarian has requested that all children's library books be returned now please as we approach the end of 2019. Overdue notices will be sent home next week to help you remember what books your children have borrowed.

### HOME READING FINISHED FOR 2019

I am asking if parents would now return all home readers and folders please. This is needed so we can do a stock take on the readers and have them ready again for next year. Please place all readers in the return boxes.

### CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER AT KURRI KURRI PUBLIC SCHOOL

Our Aboriginal dance group has been invited to open proceedings at the carols at **6pm on Sunday 8th December**. Then all our students will sing the two Christmas songs we have been learning, at 6:15pm. Please fill in the note at the office to let us know your child can participate. It is always a very enjoyable night. I hope you can all come.

We would need **all the dance group to be at** Kurri Kurri Public School by **5:30pm** please to have time to get them dressed for their item. We will meet at the gate in Lang Street opposite Coles Supermarket. Girls need to be there by 5:45pm please. Girls can wear party clothes.

### TEDDY BEAR PICNIC FOR NEW KINDER'S

Our community of schools are hosting a free Teddy Bears picnic at **Rotary Park** on Thursday 5th December from 9:00-11.00am to celebrate the end of pre-school.



**DAY FOR DANIEL** When we had the day for Daniel Morcombe recently we raised \$86 that we sent to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. Thank you for your support.

**LAST AWARDS TO BE HANDED OUT AT MONDAY MORNING ASSEMBLY ON THE 9TH DEC**



## 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 .**



## EXCURSION TO WOLLOMBI CAVES FOR OUR ABORIGINAL STUDENTS.

Mr Ping organized a fabulous excursion to the historic caves at Milbrodale last week, where Aboriginal elder, Uncle Warren explained the significance of the Aboriginal paintings which are hundreds of years old. He presented each class with a portrait of the carvings so the children could remember their experiences.



## Canteen News

Over the remaining weeks of the term there will be limited choices at the canteen as we deplete stock for the end of the year. Please check with the canteen that the item your child wants is available so they can choose an alternative if it is not. Thank you.



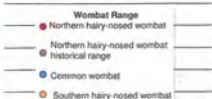


# ENJOY INFORMATION BROCHURES BY THE PLATYPUS CLASS



True or false?  
Hairy Nosed wombats live  
up to 10 years long. False

By Charlotte



## Hairy Nosed Wombats



Appearance:  
Did you know that Hairy Nosed wombats are marsupials? They have a hard bottom and sharp claws. They also have thick brown fur. Hairy Nosed wombats have pointed ears.

So they can help them hear super well so they can protect them self. They are named hairy nosed because they have a hairy nose.

Habitat:  
Their location is in a epping forest in a old. They love living near trees because of the sandy soil. Hairy Nosed wombats burrow their burrows 20m long in the ground near trees.



Diet:  
Hairy Nosed wombat nibble on 12 types of grass. They also nibble on leaves. They are herbivores so they never ever eat meat. They munch on grass all of their life so their teeth can grow big and strong.

Behaviours:  
If Hairy Nosed Wombat have babies the babies will stay in the pouch for 6 to 9 months and then they can feed them self.

You worked hard on this report Charlotte. I enjoyed reading it. A. Law.

By Blake



True or false  
Wombats are fast... True

Hairy Nosed wombats can move up to 100km per hour... False



I learnt a lot reading this report Blake. A. Law.

## Hairy Nosed Wombats



Appearance:  
Have you ever seen a Hairy Nosed Wombat before? Did you know Hairy Nosed wombats can dig up to 20m long. Isn't that awesome? Hairy Nosed

Wombats predators are us because we run over them with our cars.

Habitat:  
Hairy Nosed Wombats enjoy living in Epping forest QLD. They love to live in sandy soil near trees. When they burrow wombats can dig up to 20m long.

Diet:  
Did you know they can eat 12 types of grass? They also eat leaves because the

juicy leaves are nice and juicy and help their teeth grow bigger. Wombats are herbivores they only graze on plants.

Behaviours:  
Did you know babies can stay in pouches 6 to 9 months. These animals only come out at night because they are nocturnal. They use their rock hard back to scare away predators.



By Charlie



## Hairy Nosed Wombats



Appearance:  
Did you know that Hairy Nosed wombats are a cute endangered marsupial? They are related to koalas and have a hard bottom.



True or false?  
Wombats are related to cats? No They are actually related to koalas.

True or false  
The Hairy Nosed Wombats devour wiggly wiggly worms. It is False

by Nolan



## Hairy Nosed Wombats



Appearance:  
Did you know hairy nosed wombat are marsupials. They have brown fur, sharp claws, black eyes and two pointed ears. They have a



only hunt at dark and in the day they sleep. They scare away predators by using their hard back like a rock.

backwards pouch and have a hard bottom to defend them self.

Habitat:  
These creatures can be located in Epping Forest Qld. They love burrowing close to trees with sandy soil next to them. They dig their burrows 20m long.



Diet:  
There diet is 12 types of grass, leaves and plants. That makes them all herbivores. Hairy Nosed Wombat are fat and because their teeth never stop growing.

Behaviours:  
The babies stay in their pouch for 6 to 9 months. The Hairy Nosed Wombat is nocturnal that means they

They also have sharp claws to climb hills and to dig deep down into burrows.

Habitat:  
These creatures enjoy in the Epping forest National Park in Qld. They also love trees in sandy soil and dig burrows that are 20m long.

Diet:  
Wombats eat 12 types of grass. They also eat leaves and plants because

they are herbivores. The wombats need to eat lots so their teeth keep growing.



Behavior:  
Did you know that joeys stay in their mothers pouches for 9 months? Hairy Nosed Wombat are nocturnal because they only come out when it's dark. Wombats have a hard bottom so predators don't bite or scratch them.

excellent information Charlie. A. Law.

Interesting facts Nolan. Well done. A. Law.

**STUDENT AWARDS For Assembly 14th and 21st November 2019****Kookaburras****Travis G****Kangaroos****Sakura G**

Fantastic improvement in sentence writing

**Platypus****Zoey G**

Great improvement in reading

**Emus****Bella R**

Consistent effort and enthusiasm in all areas of learning

**Alyce M**

Excellent progress in literacy this semester

**Sophie P**

Using flexible strategies to work out number problems

**Mitchell W**

Wonderful achievement in maths

**Marley D**

Fantastic improvement in reading and phonics

**QUALITY 5 BOOKWORK****Kookaburras****Ruby A****Myah K****Kangaroos****Braiden G****Malikye W****Platypus****Charlotte S****Molly H****Emu****Zeppelin G****Raegan Bodo****(PBL) POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS****Kookaburras****Mia O'K***Walk on hard surfaces***Asta C***Use equipment safely***Kangaroos****Buddy M****Daytona S****Platypus****Maeve P****Amelia F****Emu****Danial H****Cooper T****PRINCIPAL AWARDS****Willow B, Cohen J, Buddy M, Mackenzie D, Charlotte S, Banjo B,****HOME READING AWARDS****Bronze** (25 nights reading )**Silver** (50 nights reading)**Braiden G****Gold** (75 nights reading)**Zane B,****Double Bronze** (100 nights reading)**Sakura G, Thea H****Double Silver** (125 nights reading)**Deaken K, Myah K, Sarah P, Sophie P****Double Gold** (150 nights reading)**Evie H-E, Adelle M, Alyce M****Double Royal****Malikye W****STAR STUDENT AWARDS**