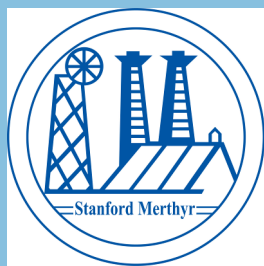


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VISION STATEMENT
WORKING TOGETHER,
MAKING A DIFFERENCE
WITH EVERY CHILD

BAKER BAKER ~ FRIDAY

28th June

Kookaburras Mia O' K
Kangaroos Daytona S
Emus Eden M
Platypus Charlotte S

5th July

Kookaburras Oliver S
Kangaroos Skye-La S
Emus Brody P
Platypus Cam S

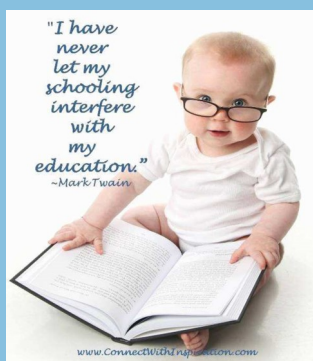
THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK

Thursday 27th June
Hailey Sharp

Thursday 4th July
Laura Hockley

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

Thought of the Fortnight



Term 2 Week 9

25th June 2019

PARENT WORKSHOP TO ASSIST UNDERSTANDING WITH THE NDIS.



Keep **Tuesday 2nd July at 2pm** free to come in and have Mrs Williams support you with your questions around getting NDIS support for your child. She will help you understand what happens at review meetings about your child's plan and how you can even self manage your funds.

SCHOOL DISCO

At the disco last Friday we donated \$1 per child attending to Batten Disease. Mrs Fosters little girl, Mackenzie passed away from this disease a few years ago aged nine. So we sent the foundation \$76. If you would like more information please ask. Thank you.

The photos say it all! The children thoroughly enjoyed the disco and the McDonalds night. I wish to express my thanks to Mr Ping, our fabulous DJ and the teachers who came and supported the night, making this possible for our students.



MCDONALDS NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who came to dinner at McDonalds after the disco. We made \$187 for the school. This will go towards the Year 2 gift of a new sound system for the school.

NAIDOC WEEK ACTIVITIES

Our students are very well known for their Aboriginal dance performances. NAIDOC activities occur during the last week of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3



across the Hunter Valley. We have been invited to perform at Tomaree High School. Mr Ping will be taking 20 Year One and Two children in a mini bus. Lunch and transport will be provided. He will send the permission note home soon.

Our school will celebrate NAIDOC here on Thursday 25th July. The day will commence at 10:00am with an assembly in the hall. Our Aboriginal students dance group will open proceedings. **A whole day has been planned for your enjoyment. We ask you to come and join in the activities with your child and enjoy a picnic lunch with them as well. Please see the activities we have planned on the next page.**

Domino's. Thank you to all the families who supported our fundraising night at Domino's, Kurri Kurri on 27th May. A total of \$217 was raised.

Term 1 Assembly Roster Thursdays @ 2:15pm

27th June	Kookaburra class item
4th July	Public speaking speeches presented in assembly

Calendar of Events for Term Two 2019

Mondays all year from 4th February	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 5th February	Playgroup for all children birth to 5 years 9:30am-11:00 - during School Terms
Fridays all Term 2 beginning 3 May	8 weeks of Gymnastics coaching by Cessnock Police and Citizens Youth Club. No cost.
Tuesday 2nd July	Parent Workshop to assist with all aspects of NDIS
Wednesday 3rd July	Health Screening conducted here for Aboriginal students in Kindergarten
Wednesday 3rd July	Semester One School Reports handed out
Thursday 4th July	Class of the term party
Thursday 4th July	Speeches presented in Assembly
Friday 5th July	Super hero Fun Day for final day of term.
Monday 8th July- Monday 22nd July	School Holidays

NAIDOC 2019 Thursday 25th July

10:00 Whole School Assembly Acknowledgment to Country. Dance Group perform. Then speeches by Mitchell and Amelia. Then presentation of deadly awards presented to our Aboriginal students.

11:00 Picnic lunch with parents. Mr Ping to BBQ kangaroo sausages

12:00 Begin 6 rotations. Each one to last 20 minutes.

1:35 Recess until 2pm

2:40 Clean up.

Activities include: Boomerang throwing and painting, Tiddilick story and acting it out, Aboriginal games, Song in Aboriginal language and bush tucker talk and painting handprints on seating in Aboriginal Garden.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL SESSION FOR CHILDREN BEGINNING IN 2020 WAS HELD TODAY

We had an exciting hour with the new students who will begin school here next year. Each time they come they become more familiar with the staff, the playground and get to use the bubblers and the toilets as well as participating in a story and craft session. These experiences are very important in helping build confidence, and lessen any anxiety that some children may experience.

SCHOOL REPORTS WILL BE HANDED OUT ON WEDNESDAY THE 3RD JULY

Please ensure you check your child's school bag next Wednesday as teachers will hand out Semester One's reports. If you have any questions regarding these reports, don't hesitate to come and see us before the end of the week.

CLASS OF THE TERM PARTY

A letter will go home Tuesday next week to the families of the class that has achieved the most points for the term. Children will be provided with a free lunch on Wednesday 3rd July as a reward for their effort during the term.

FINAL NEWSLETTER OF THE TERM The last day of term is Friday 5th July.

Students return Monday 22nd July.

Please remember our Staff Development Day on Monday 22nd July has been changed and is now Monday 19th August. Please see the following information regarding this change of date.

We have booked Dylan William to present a combined session to teachers from the Cessnock and Callaghan principal networks. Professor William is a British educationalist and Emeritus Professor of Educational Assessment at the Institute of Education, University of London. He is an internationally recognized leader in the development of formative assessment.

The purpose of school development days is to assist whole school strategic planning and staff development which contributes directly to the improvement of student learning outcomes. The planned training activities align to our school priorities and directions. The re-organisation of school development will enable our staff to be involved in the planned activities.

This means Monday 22nd July 2019 will now be a normal school day and 19 August a pupil-free day.

I wish you all a happy and safe holiday.

Anne Carr Principal

ENJOY STORIES AND ART WORK ABOUT SPACE BY THE PLAYTPUS CLASS



By Blake



By Zoey



By Amelia F



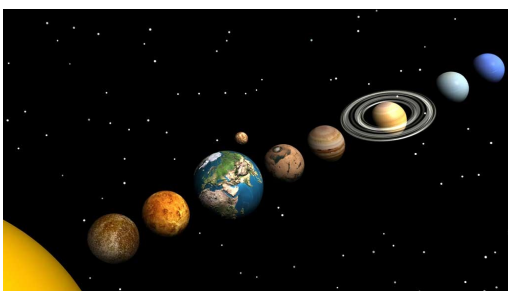
Did you know there are 8 planets in the solar system? The planets are in space. They are medium, tiny and large. The asteroids are in space too. Mercury is the closest planet to the sun. It is made of rock, and has many craters on it. Most of the planets have moons. The moons are made of rock. Other moons have uneven shapes. By Hudson

What is in space? Did you know that the sun is in the dark black space. The light white moon is also in the dark space. The hard meteors are in space. The asteroids are in their white space costume in space. All the planets are in space. By Koby

Mars and Pluto Mars is a red planet and is about the size of Earth. Mars is hot and dry. It has dust storms. Pluto has 5 known moons and is a dwarf planet. The four innermost planets of our solar system are called the terrestrial planets. Asteroids and stars circle around the sun. The further you are away from the sun, the colder it would be. The planets move around the sun. By Charlotte

Planets 22.5.19 Did you know Mercury is very hot in the day time and cold at night because it is close to sun? All the planets are huge balls of rock or gas and there are 9 planets in space.

Venus is the second planet from the sun. I don't go near it because it will burn you like lava. True or False? There are aliens on some planets. False. No life has been discovered on any planets besides Earth. By Mitchell



P&C INFORMATION

There have been some changes made to how future payments are to be made for all P&C run events. As a P&C we have discussed that these changes were necessary as with the amount of changes to the workload in the office it has become increasingly difficult for the staff to handle anything extra that relates to the P&C. This will take some time to get things running smoothly and we ask for your patience.

We have placed a locked box in the front office with P&C clearly marked on the top. Please find listed below how our newly installed P&C box will work:

The P&C locked box has been installed in the front office.

Any money and notes for P&C run events will now need to be placed in this box.

The office staff are no longer taking any money or notes. There will be no change given by office staff for P&C run events.

If you do not have the correct money, you can still place your money and note in the box and any change will be provided the following Friday in a sealed envelope.

All envelopes and notes will have to be clearly marked with your child or children's name, class, event and money and if change is needed.

If you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to ask any of our P&C members for assistance. This is our current P&C Committee and members:

President: Amber Parry **Secretary:** Jessica Paynter **Treasurer:** Ann James

General Members:

Clarissa Woodger, Leigh James, Peter James, Kimberly Kennedy, Laura Hockley
Maria Ackerman, Rebecca McMillan

SPRING FAIR 2019

This year the P&C will be running a spring fair on the 17th November 2019 from 2pm till 7pm. There will be lots of different stalls and rides.

The P&C will be pre-selling wrist bands for the rides from the beginning of term 3. This is how the wrist bands sales will work:

Presale:	\$20 per person = unlimited rides all day
On the day purchase:	\$25 per person = unlimited rides all day
Per ride on the day:	\$5 per person per ride



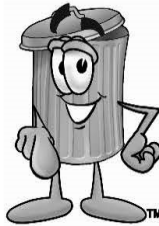


You can pre-purchase as many wrist bands as you would like. You can pre-purchase multiple wrist bands over the entire term (i.e. 1 each week/fortnight to spread out the cost for larger families). All pre-purchase sales of the "Spring Fair Ride Wrist Bands" will need to be placed in an envelope clearly marked with your Child or Children's name, Class, Number of wrist bands and money, then placed into the P&C locked box in the front office.



The P&C will have a collection table for all wrist bands to be collected on the day of the Spring Fair and for on the day purchase.

More information will be provided next term. Keep the date in your calendars.

STUDENT AWARDS For Assembly 13th June & 20th June**Kookaburras****Travis G**Trying really hard to
write words**Kangaroos****Skye-La S**For being an enthusiastic
writer**Platypus****Jax M**Excellent improvement in
reading**Emu****Eden M**Effort and enthusiasm in all
areas of learning**Logan D**Wonderful effort in
writing**Ryan B**Huge improvement in hear-
ing sounds in words**Koby S**Improved use of detail in
writing**Scarlet VMW**Excellent progress in
reading and phonics**QUALITY 5 BOOKWORK****Kookaburras****Alyce M****Oliver S****Kangaroos****Marlie C****Sakura G****Platypus****Nolan P****Wyatt B****Emu****Zeppelin G****Lachlan D****(PBL) POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS****Kookaburras****Adelle M***Right time. Right Place***Taine H***Use equipment safely***Kangaroos****Lleyton P****Grayson C****Platypus****Ciara H****Anthony C****Emu****Isabella H****Bella R****PRINCIPAL AWARDS****Logan D, Wyatt B, Mackenzie D, Eden M****HOME READING AWARDS****Bronze** (25 nights reading)**Maeve P, Lleyton P,****Silver** (50 nights reading)**Evie H-E, Molly H, Taine H, Blake H, Kade H, Ciara H, Banjo B, Felix C****Gold** (75 nights reading)**Deaken S, Jace W, Buddy M****Double Bronze** (100 nights reading)**Tahj D, Charlotte S, Billie-Roze W,****Double Silver** (125 nights reading)**Anthony C, Malikye W, Mitchell W****Double Gold** (150 nights reading)**Royal** (200 nights reading)**Double Royal** (250 nights reading)**Excellence** (300 nights reading)

Week One - Please note the program may be subject to change without notice due to unforeseen circumstances				
Monday 08-07-19	Tuesday 09-07-19	Wednesday 10-07-19	Thursday 11-07-19	Friday 12-07-19
Naidoc Week Opening  Walking excursion to the opening of Naidoc Week, Rotary Park, Kurri Kurri Depart: 9:30am Return: 11:00am * COMPULSORY *	Maitland Movies  Depart: 11:00am Return: 2:30pm * COMPULSORY *	Dancing Disco Day  Stay warm by mooving and grooving the day away. Prizes to be won!	Martial Arts  A program to build children's confidence in learning self defence	Fire Pit & Marshmallow Toasting  Suggestion from the children to toast marshmallows over a camp fire
	Additional charge \$20		Additional Charge \$10	

Week Two - Please note the program may be subject to change without notice due to unforeseen circumstances				
Monday 15-07-19	Tuesday 16-07-19	Wednesday 17-07-19	Thursday 18-07-19	Friday 19-07-19
Winter Cooking with Hot Chocolate  In the kitchen, baking an afternoon tea that goes well with a hot chocolate	Crafts with WOOL  All things wool: knitting, crocheting, knotting, threading, plaiting.....lots of skills to learn	Reverse Garbage  Imaginative creations made from recycled materials	Science Technology Engineering Maths  * Optional Excursion Year 3 or older (16 bookings) Unreal Virtual Reality, Charlestown \$23 Opt: 10:30am Rtn: 2pm	National PJ Day  Wear your PJs for The Pyjama Foundation, making awareness for children in Foster Care.
			FREE / Additional \$23	Donation Appreciated

Week Three - Please note the program may be subject to change without notice due to unforeseen circumstances	
Monday 22-07-19 All Schools return for Term 3 	All Public Schools have a Pupil Free Day Monday 18th August, 2019 Please fill out the separate CWA Booking Sheet for Vacation Care for this day. This will be a Kids Choice Day 

Please don't forget to:

pack a water bottle

wear sun smart clothes










have good walking shoes



Too sick for school?



Generally if your child feels unwell, keep them home from school and consult your doctor. This chart and the information it contains is not intended to take the place of a consultation with your doctor.

Bronchitis	Symptoms are coughing, a runny nose, sore throat and mild fever. The cough is often dry at first, becoming moist after a couple of days. There may be a slight wheeze and shortness of breath. A higher fever (typically above 39°C) may indicate pneumonia.	 ... until they are feeling better. Antibiotics may be needed.
Chickenpox (Varicella)	Slight fever, runny nose, and a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab.	 ... for 5 days from the onset of the rash and the blisters have dried.
Conjunctivitis	The eye feels 'scratchy', is red and may water. Lids may stick together on waking.	 ... while there is discharge from the eye unless a doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious cause.
Diarrhoea (no organism identified)	Two or more consecutive bowel motions that are looser and more frequent than normal and possibly stomach cramps.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.
Fever	A temperature of 38.5°C or more in older infants and children.	 ... until temperature is normal.
Gastroenteritis	A combination of frequent loose or watery stools (diarrhoea), vomiting, fever, stomach cramps, headaches.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea and/or vomiting stops.
German measles (Rubella)	Often mild or no symptoms: mild fever, runny nose, swollen nodes, pink blotchy rash that lasts a short time.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
Glandular Fever (Mononucleosis, EBV infection)	Symptoms include fever, headache, sore throat, tiredness, swollen nodes.	 ... unless they're feeling unwell.
Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)	Generally a mild illness caused by a virus, perhaps with a fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet, and perhaps the nappy area in babies.	 ... until all blisters have dried.
Hayfever (Allergic rhinitis) caused by allergy to pollen (from grasses, flowers and trees), dust mites, animal fur or hair, mould spores, cigarette smoke	Sneezing, a blocked or runny nose (rhinitis), itchy eyes, nose and throat, headaches.	 ... unless they feel unwell or are taking a medication which makes them sleepy.
Head lice or nits* (Pediculosis)	Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found on the scalp.	 ... while continuing to treat head lice each night. Tell the school.

Hepatitis A	Often none in young children; sudden onset of fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine, pale stools.	 ... for 2 weeks after first symptoms (or 1 week after onset of jaundice). Contact your doctor before returning to school.
Hepatitis B	Often no symptoms in young children. When they do occur, they can include fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine.	<div>  ... if they have symptoms. Contact your doctor before returning to school. </div> <div>  ... if they have a chronic infection (not the first outbreak) and no symptoms. </div>
Impetigo (School sores)	Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.	 ... until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.
Influenza	Sudden onset fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and headaches.	 ... until well.
Measles	Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore red eyes for a few days followed by a red blotchy rash that starts on the face and spreads down the body and lasts 4 to 7 days.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
Meningococcal Disease	Sudden onset of fever and a combination of headache, neck, stiffness, nausea, vomiting, drowsiness or rash.	Seek medical attention immediately. Patient will need hospital treatment. Close contacts receive antibiotics.
Molluscum Contagiosum	Multiple small lumps (2–5mm) on the skin that are smooth, firm and round, with dimples in the middle. In children, occur mostly on the face, trunk, upper arms and legs. Symptoms can last 6 months to 2 years.	
Mumps	Fever, swollen and tender glands around the jaw.	 ... for 9 days after onset of swelling.
Ringworm* (tinea corporis)	Small scaly patch on the skin surrounded by a pink ring.	 ... for 24 hours after fungal treatment has begun.
Runny nose or common cold		 ... unless there are other symptoms such as fever, sore throat, cough, rash or headache. Check with school.
Scabies*	Itchy skin, worse at night. Worse around wrists, armpits, buttocks, groin and between fingers and toes.	 ... until 24 hours after treatment has begun.
Shigella	Diarrhoea (which may contain blood, mucus and pus), fever, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.	 ... until there has not been a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. Antibiotics may be needed.
Slapped Cheek Syndrome (Parvovirus B19 infection, fifth disease, erythema infectiosum)	Mild fever, red cheeks, itchy lace-like rash, and possibly cough, sore throat or runny nose.	 ... as it is most infectious before the rash appears.
Whooping Cough (Pertussis)	Starts with a running nose, followed by persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts maybe followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.	 ... until the first 5 days of an antibiotic course has been completed. Unimmunised siblings may need to stay home too until treated with an antibiotic.
Worms (Threadworms, pinworms)	The main sign of threadworms is an itchy bottom. Sometimes children feel 'out of sorts' and do not want to eat much. They may also have trouble sleeping, due to itching at night.	 ... and tell the school as other parents will need to know to check their kids.

***It is important that the rest of the family is checked for head lice, scabies and ringworm**



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