

# Newsletter

## Stanford Merthyr Infants School



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

**BAKER BAKER ~ FRIDAY**

**9th August**  
**No Baker**

**Baker**  
**Grandparents**  
**Day**

**16th August**

**Kookaburras** Ruby A  
**Kangaroos** Deaken S  
**Emus** Billie-Roze W  
**Platypus** Wyatt B

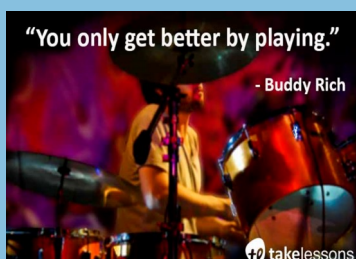
**THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK**

**Thursday 8th August**  
**Rhiannon B**

**Thursday 15th August**  
**Holly Avery**

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

Thought of the Fortnight



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**Term 3 Week 3**

**6th August 2019**

### NAIDOC WEEK ACTIVITIES

We officially opened our Yarning Circle down near the Aboriginal Garden. This has been the work of Mr Darrell Smith, Mr Ping and Mr Kevin Onslow. The dance group performed outside as the photos display. Aboriginal food-kangaroo sausages, were enjoyed by the students and parents in attendance. Mitchell and Amelia delivered their speech about NAIDOC.



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



### BEST LIBRARY BORROWERS FOR TERM 2

Each term Mrs Ceccato, our librarian awards book prizes to the best library borrowers from each class. Congratulations to Aleigha from the Kookaburra class, Cohen, Felix and Malikye from the Kangaroo class, Jesse and Lachlan from the Emu's and Charlotte and Sarah from the Platypus class.

### Term 1 Assembly Roster Thursdays @ 2:15pm

8th August	Emu show work
15th August	No assembly today.
22nd August	Kookaburra show work and Kangaroo show work
29th August	Platypus class item
5th September	Emu class item
12th September	Kangaroo class item
19th September	Kookaburra class item
26th September	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
Friday 9th August	Education Week Grandparents Day BBQ
Monday 12th August	Book Club Orders Due Back to office
<b>Monday 19th August</b>	<b>Pupil Free Day SDD</b>
Tuesday 20th August	Book Fair—Reading in the Streets
Tuesday 27th August	Public Speaking Topics handed out
Friday 30th August	Fathers Day Breakfast & Stall, Lunch Disco, Ice Cream, Crazy Hair Day
Friday 6th September	Aboriginal Excursion to Broke
Sunday 8th September	Cake Stall for Bio Blitz Environmental Day at Kitchener
Friday 13th September	Nillo Sports Carnival
Thursday 26th September	Public Speaking in Assembly Class Term Party
Friday 27th September	Footy Fun Day

## GRANDPARENTS DAY, ART SHOW AND EDUCATION WEEK ACTIVITIES 9th AUGUST

Please keep Friday 9th August free. It is going to be a very full day of activities beginning at 10:45am. The itinerary is as follows:

10:45 Aboriginal Dance Group perform

11:00 BBQ lunch and play. Order forms at the office.

## ART CANVAS PRINTS FOR SALE FOR GRANDPARENTS AT COST OF \$5. AVAILABLE IN OUR HALL.

12:00 Ring bell

12:10-12:30 Grandparents invited into classrooms for their grandchildren to show them their work

12:30 Children go to the hall for the performances

1. Education Awards presented to Year 2 students and Community Members.

2. Girls Choir item

3. Old time dances and modern dances. Grandparents invited to join in

1:30 Recess and clean up.

**BARBECUE LUNCH ORDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE FOR GRANDPARENTS, PARENTS AND CHILDREN.** Please have these completed and returned by Tuesday 8th August at 9am for catering purposes. Thank you. Cash only please.

## READING IN THE STREETS EXCURSION 20th AUGUST

**Week 5 19th August—23rd August is Book Week** To celebrate, on **Tuesday 20th August**, the children will be able to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character. We will be visiting local businesses in the morning for Reading in the Streets' and also visiting Kurri Library. Following this the children will participate in a parade back at school to show their costumes (approx. 12.00pm). The cost to participate is **\$4.00 per student to cover the bus**. Permission notes and money need to be paid to the Office by Friday 16th of August. **Permission notes at the office.**

Students can also have a picnic lunch with parent/grandparents. There will be Book Week displays in the library (which the children have been studying) and a book fair to purchase books (also in the library).

**9.00** Students arrive at school dressed up as a book character.

**9.15** Travel by bus to Kurri Library **9.30-10.30** Reading at Kurri Library

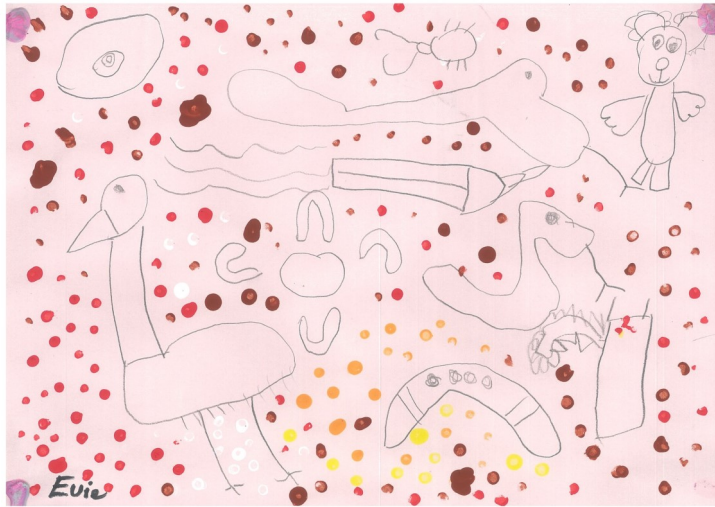
**10.30-12.00** Reading in the Streets **12.00-1.00** Arrive back at school. Book parade and lunch



# ENJOY STORIES AND ART WORK BY THE KANGAROO CLASS ABOUT LIVING IN AUSTRALIA



By



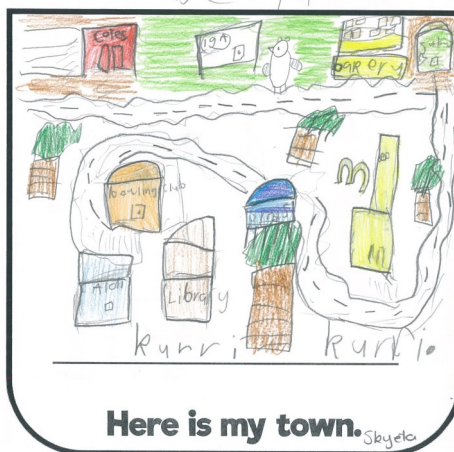
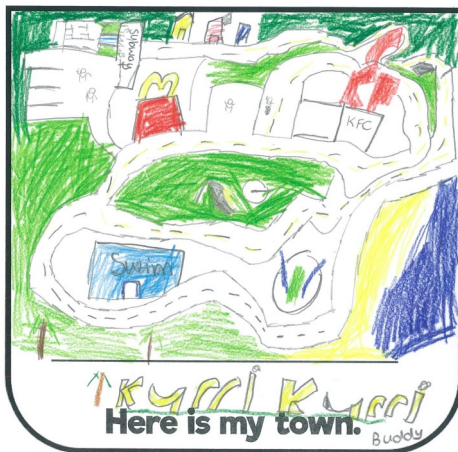
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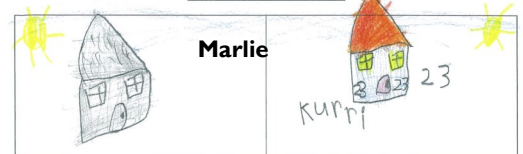
The shack that dad built



Elaines shack is very different to my house. ✓  
 Her shack is made out of tin and is on the beach. ✓ It has a dirt floor. ✓ Elaine's shack has an out side toilet. ✓ Also she has to cook outside. ✓ My house is made out of brick and it doesn't have newspaper walls. ✓ My house has proper walls. ✓ My house is very culfill and my house is on the road. I can cook in side my house. ✓



Murrie  
 The shack that dad built



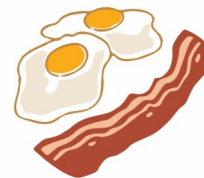
Elaines shack and my house are very different. ✓  
 Elaines shack has a dirt floor and it is made out of tin. ✓  
 Her shack only has one big room. ✓  
 My home has 4 rooms. ✓  
 and my home is made out of brick. ✓  
 My home does not have news paper walls. ✓  
 At 20/7



## FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

The staff are inviting all the fathers to come and join us with a breakfast we will provide, commencing at 8:30-9:30am.

Please let the office know by WEDNESDAY 28TH August if you can attend, so we can provide a lovely breakfast for you.



### Lunch, Disco, Crazy Hair Day and Ice cream Friday 30th August

Permission notes are at the office for students to pay \$5 which covers coming to school with a crazy hairstyle, attendance at the lunchtime disco and an ice-cream with sprinkles following the disco. Profit will go towards the Year 2 gift.

### Kurri Kurri Pre-School Invitation

**Kurri Kurri & District Preschool would like to invite you to our Open Day.**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019 10.30am to 12.30pm**

**We would love to see you there!**

**We are currently taking names on our waiting list for 2020 for children 3-5 years.**

**We are also preparing a waiting list for children requiring pre-school education for children eligible to attend pre-school up to 2022 ie.**

**Born before 31/7/2018**

**For any enquiries, please contact the pre-school on 49372110 or**

**Email [admin@kurripreschool.com.au](mailto:admin@kurripreschool.com.au)**

## ANNOUNCEMENT

# Stone Real Estate



Renee Bean Wiper of Stone Real Estate Kurri has again come on board as a sponsor for our school.

Renee will donate **\$1000** from any list and sale made this year that comes via this ad at Stanford Merthyr Infants School.

This means that any parents or your friends or family who list their property with Renee and sell their house through her will directly benefit our school.

Please be sure to mention this ad when listing your property.

The \$1000 comes out of the commission that Renee would receive.

Please view the following link to view the Stone Real Estate website.

<https://energy.stonerealestate.com.au>



# P&C News

## P&C INFORMATION REMINDER

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

## FATHERS DAY STALL FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

Order forms are available at the office. All gifts are \$7. Order forms need to be filled out and returned by WEDNESDAY 28TH August please. **Cash only.**

## SPRING FAIR 2019

This year the P&C will be running a Spring Fair on the 17<sup>th</sup> 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 as we get closer to the date.

**OUR SCHOOL HAS BEEN INVITED TO RUN A CAKE STALL AT BIOBLITZ. SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER TO RAISE MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL.**

**It would be very much appreciated if you would be able to cook homemade cakes or slices to bring to school on Friday 6th September. Further information will be in the next newsletter.**



The 2019 Cessnock Bioblitz will have activities for all ages. Head along to the Kids Area where our younger Bioblitz-ers will learn all about caring for our waterways and local species through specialised games, crafts and our Junior Scientist Expedition!

Kids activities will go for around 30mins. Feel free to drop by anytime in between scheduled sessions.

TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
All Day	Craft and games at the kids area	Enjoy a range of activities with a biodiversity theme for kids all day.
9:30am	Waterwatch	Gets 'hands-on' with four simple tests to check the health of Poppethead Dam.
	Junior scientist expedition	Follow clues to find local species on your expedition and record them for your very own Bioblitz.
11:00am	Waterwatch	Do a Waterbug Blitz and learn about the little creatures in our creeks.
	Species snap	Play a game to learn about threatened species in the Cessnock area and how we can snap into action to save them!
12:30pm	Waterwatch	Bring out your inner scientist as we show you how to do four simple tests to check the health of Poppethead Dam
	Junior scientist expedition	Follow clues to find local species on your expedition and record them for your very own Bioblitz.
1:30pm	Waterwatch	Do a Waterbug Blitz and learn about the little creatures in our creeks.
	Using nature apps for kids	Find out what Apps kids can use to help ID birds, learn about frogs, insects and more to become budding super scientists.
2:30pm	Waterwatch	Find out about four simple tests we use to check the health of local waterways.

For the full Bioblitz Program including activities for all ages please visit [www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au/Bioblitz](http://www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au/Bioblitz) or phone 4993 4100



**STUDENT AWARDS For Assembly 1st August 2019****Kookaburras**

**Oliver S**  
Quick thinking in  
Numeracy

**Kangaroos**

**Braiden G**  
Wonderful effort in  
reading and writing

**Platypus**

**Nolan Power**  
Improvements in  
handwriting

**Emu**

**Lachlan Dean**  
Working hard to im-  
prove his stamina in  
writing

**QUALITY 5 BOOKWORK****Kookaburras**

**Hailee W**

**Kangaroos**

**Marlie C**

**Platypus**

**Molly H**

**Emu**

**Billie-Roze W**

**(PBL) POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS****Kookaburras**

**Mia O'K**

**Kangaroos**

**Ellenor J**

**Platypus**

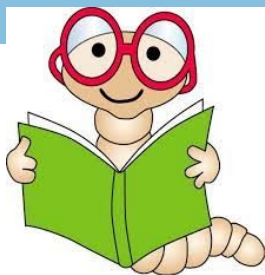
**Charlotte S**

**Emu**

**Raegan B**

**PRINCIPAL AWARDS**

Zane B, Myah K, Aleigha M, Jace W, Malikye W, Evie H-E, Cohen J, Buddy M, Darby M, Daytona S, Shelbi S, Zoey G, Charlotte S, Mitchell W, Tahj D, Thea H, Deaken K, Tye M,

**HOME READING AWARDS**

**Bronze** (25 nights reading )

**Zane B, Aydin Y**

**Silver** (50 nights reading)

**Zoey G, Thea H**

**Gold** (75 nights reading)

**Cohen J, Darby M, Aleigha M, Evie H-E, Myah K, Deaken K, Shelbi S, Daytona S**

**Double Bronze** (100 nights reading)

**Tye M, Buddy M, Jace W**

**Double Silver** (125 nights reading)

**Charlotte S, Tahj D**

**Double Gold** (150 nights reading)

**Malikye W, Mitchell W**

**STAR Students Term 2**

**Hudson C, Lincoln B, Wyatt B, Anthony C,  
Charlie S, Eden M**

