

Newsletter

Stanford Merthyr Infants School



VISION STATEMENT
WORKING TOGETHER,
MAKING A DIFFERENCE
WITH EVERY CHILD

BAKER BAKER ~ FRIDAY

**Friday 6th
Sept**

Kookaburras Tyler A

Kangaroos Willow B

Platypus Hudson C

Emus Harvey W

**Friday 13th
Sept**

**No Baker
Baker—
Sports
Carnival**

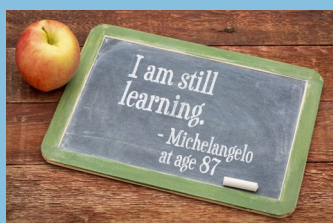
THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK

**Thursday 5th September
Natalee Snaddon**

**Thursday 12th September
Kasie Moffitt**

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

Thought of the Fortnight



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Term 3 Week 7

3rd September 2019

READING IN THE STREETS

Book Week is certainly a highlight of our year. The staff all decided to come dressed as Wally or Wanda or Odla from "Where's Wally". The students proudly describes which character they came dressed as which demonstrated their love of books and reading. This proves the value of going to the library and around the businesses in the main street of Kurri, where the staff of these businesses were delighted to read to our students. Priceline pharmacy staff even went the extra mile by dressing up to read to our students. No wonder parents were eager to come to watch our parade and come to our Book Fair to buy books.



FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

Thank you Mr Ping for cooking a delicious BBQ breakfast for our fathers and we hope the 40 who attended enjoyed being made to feel special.



Term 1 Assembly Roster Thursdays @ 2:15pm

5th September	Emu class item
12th September	Kangaroo class item
19th September	Kookaburra class item
26th September	Public speaking speeches presented in Assembly

FATHER'S DAY STALL

Thank you Leigh for organising these lovely gifts and to Laura, Ashleigh and Matthew for setting up the stall to sell them.



CRAZY HAIR, ICECREAM AND DISCO DAY

The teachers treated the students to a special day at lunchtime and all money raised is going towards the Year 2 gift.



ROAD SAFETY MESSAGE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL STUDENTS AT OUR SCHOOL

It has been brought to my attention that some students are crossing Wickham Street without parental supervision. One child was at danger of being hit by car. Please could I ask you to hold your child's hand to cross the road if you park opposite the school. It would be tragic if any of students were hit. Thank you.

Mrs Carr would like you all to know that she will be transitioning to retirement at Christmas time this year. The process of appointing a Relieving Principal for the beginning of next year will commence in Term 4.



Hebburn's Gate

Saturday 28th September

1pm - 3.30pm

Corner of Hospital Road and Parker Street, Kurri Kurri.

This amazing house was built for a Mine Manager in the early 1900s.

It has been lovingly renovated and exquisitely furnished. The gardens are extensive and a delight to wander through.

⇒ Old fashioned games to play.

⇒ House tour available.

⇒ Shady places to sit, relax and enjoy a Devonshire tea.

\$ 10.00 Entry (includes Devonshire tea.) For further information

\$ 5.00 House tour.

Contact Maria on : 0417 681 971

All proceeds will go towards a special wheel chair for a local boy.— Darcy.

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
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

KULLABURRA AWARDS

Congratulations to Billie-Roze and Raegan who received awards at Kullaburra for having had 95% school attendance this year.



It was a highlight having proceedings opened by our Aboriginal Dance Group.



COMBINED SPORTS CARNIVAL WITH NILLO INFANTS SCHOOL FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER.

This year our school will be hosting us for the sports carnival to be held here on Friday 13th September. All parents and grandparents are very welcome to join us. Student pizza order forms have gone home. **Parent pizza orders are available at the office.** Please return order forms to the office by Monday 9th September.

PARTNERS IN LEARNING PARENT SURVEY

This Term, our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/survey/splash/smis19>

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 10 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between the 26th August and the 25th October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated. More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

If you are unable to access a computer we will have this survey open and set up at school in the front office and in the library every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from today. Please come and see us if you would like to fill it in here at school. It will take about ten minutes.

ANNOUNCEMENT

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>

Stone Real Estate



ENJOY PERSUASIVE WRITING AND ART WORK BY THE PLATYPUS CLASS

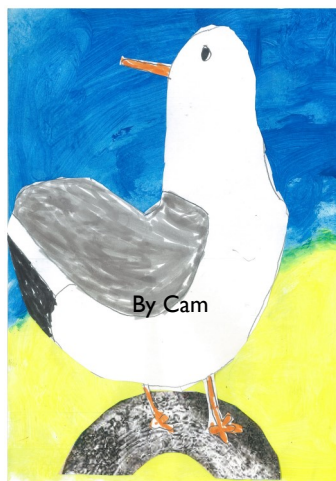
Dear Mrs Carr
Just imagine
being a bird and
some one's chopping your home
down it would be terrifying.
That's why we clearly need
yellow bins.

Firstly, hurting sea
animals is horrible and
plastic can hurt fish.
By recycling right we can
stop plastic going into
the water ways.

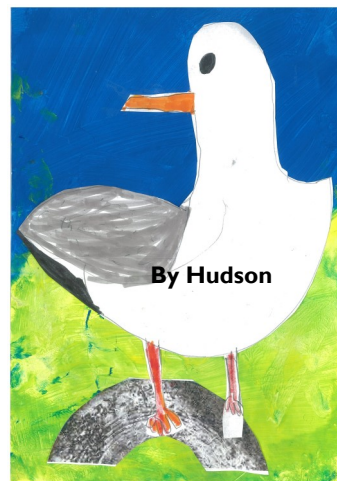
Secondly, if we do earn
and return we can get
money for our school.
Also we can get iPods
with the money we
get. If we also do earn
and return it means bottles
won't go into landfill.

Finally, if we get
yellow bins we can
keep our school
clean because no more
rubbish will get every
where.

From Mitchell



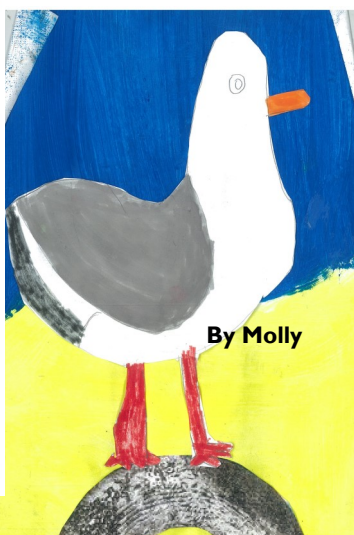
By Cam



By Hudson

To Miss Carr
are you aware
that there are 8
million tons of plastic in
the ocean? Scientists are
worried soon there will be
more plastic than fish.
That's why I insist
you get yellow bins at
this we can stop the trees
getting chopped down
and recycled paper to
make new paper. Then
animals can get their
homes back.
Secondly if we can
get a yellow bin
we can collect papers,
cola cans and plastic
bottles and go to earn
and return and can
get money to buy
stuff for school like
iPods, computers and
textas.

Finally we can
stop destroying
the earth by not
putting plastic bottles
and plastic into the
landfill in the ground.
Plastic takes a long time
to break down.
lets Recycle together
from Volcan



By Molly



By Mackenzie

OUR SCHOOL HAS BEEN INVITED TO RUN A CAKE STALL THIS SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER AT KITCHENER PARK FOR BIOBLITZ.

I would really appreciate if parents or grandparents would be able to donate a slice, or a cake and bring it to school THIS Friday 6th September. If you are able to do this, could you let the office know, please. Please label the ingredients and bring the food in a labelled container which I will return to you.

The money we raise from the day will go towards purchasing another outside table for the students.

Could you please let the Office ladies know if you are able to do so.

See the free environmental activities for children below. The day begins at 9am.



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 or phone 4993 4100



STUDENT AWARDS For Assembly 22nd & 29th August 2019**Kookaburras****Taine H**

Beautiful writing

Jaxx GOutstanding effort in
"Daily Writing"**Kangaroos****Darby M**Trying hard to improve
in learning number facts**Willow B**Wonderful improvement
in reading strategies**Platypus****Amelia F**Building confidence in
adding 2 digit numbers**Anthony C**

Working hard in maths

Emu**Brody P**Always striving to achieve
his best**Scarlet V-M W**Working hard to improve
her writing**QUALITY 5 BOOKWORK****Kookaburras****Tyler T**

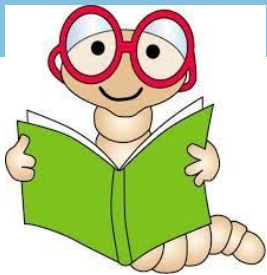
Isla-Mae C

Kangaroos**Braiden G****Shelbi S****Platypus****Koby S****Hudson C****Emu****Phoebe B****Harvey W****(PBL) POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS****Kookaburras****Amelia D**

Quality 5 work

Oliver S

Walk on hard surfaces

Kangaroos**Sakura G****Evie H-E****Platypus****Zoey G****Sarah P****Emu****Zeppelin G****Tahj D****PRINCIPAL AWARDS****Charlotte S,****HOME READING AWARDS****Bronze** (25 nights reading)
Mia O'K,**Silver** (50 nights reading)**Gold** (75 nights reading)
Molly H, Alyce M, Adelle M, Felix C, Koby S**Double Bronze** (100 nights reading)
Deaken S, Grayson C, Aleigha M, Hudson C,**Double Silver** (125 nights reading)**Double Gold** (150 nights reading)
Cooper T,**Royal**

Anthony C

STAR STUDENT AWARDS

Cohen J, Lachlan D, Billie-Roze W

