Spring Terrace Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 9

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What's on at STPS

June 2020										
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
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24/06/2020- STPS Teaching Staff Participating in Professional Development: Visual Learning

30/06/2020- Spring Into School Term 2 Payments due

July 2020										
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN				
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1-3/7/2020- STPS Teaching Staff engaging in Professional Development- New Wellbeing Program

6/7/2020- 19/07/2020 - Term Two School Holidays

20/07/2020- Staff Development Day

21/07/2020- Students Return

Message from the Principal

With some COVID restrictions being eased we are gradually getting back to our regular routines. We continue to ensure that students wash and sanitise their hands regularly and keep some distance between them. We'd ask that parents continue to keep students home if they have any cold or flu like symptoms and ensure that students bring a drink bottle to school.

If a child is kept home due to cold or flu like symptoms it is best to see a doctor who will advise if they should be COVID tested or not. A doctor can also provide parents with a letter to indicate that their child is ready to return to school.

In these last few weeks of term it has been very difficult to find replacements for teachers when they are absent due to leave, sickness or training we have therefore, found ourselves having to split classes because of a shortage of casual teachers. This is a state-wide problem and is partly due to casuals being given regular days in schools in response to the COVID shutdown of schools as well as teachers, like students, having to stay away from school if they have any cold or flu like symptoms. Rest assured we are doing everything we can to ensure continuity of learning for our students.

Our new carpark looks great and we are gradually working out smooth drop off and pick up procedures for our students. Thank you too all our parents for being patient as everybody becomes accustomed to the changes. We will look at ways that we can make the busy afternoon pick up as smooth as possible.

Finally reports will go home next week, having missed the end of term one and the beginning of term two, leaving reports until the very end of term has allowed us to fit in teaching and assessment before writing reports. Interviews will be in the first few weeks of term three.

Mr Peter Scott

Principal

News from the Classrooms

K/1 Classroom

K/1 students are continuing to focus on their sentence writing. Students will continue to write a sentence a day, focusing on correct sentence structure. Students are looking at counting patterns. Students will be learning about skip counting. Skip counting involves counting by twos, fives and tens.



1/2 Classroom



Students in Year 1/2 are publishing their version of Where the Wild Things Are! Students are looking forward to sharing their stories with their peers. In Mathematics, students are looking at the connection between number patterns and multiplication. Students will be learning about arrays and how arrays can be used to represent multiplication problems.

3-6 Classroom

The students in years 3 to 6 are currently writing newspaper reports and will be moving onto oral news reports next week, please keep an eye out for some of these on our Facebook page and website. If any parents regularly buy the newspaper and would like to send them into school, we'd much appreciate it.

Student of the Week

Name: Jack Coleman Class: K/1

How are you settling in to STPS?

I love coming to school every day and seeing cousin Zara.

What is your favourite activity to do at school?

I enjoy doing lots of writing, especially sentences.

If you could have a super power, what would it be?

I would like to have all of the powers.



STPS News

Forest Rd and Carpark Update!

Both staff and students enjoyed watching Forest Rd being tarred last Wednesday. It is great to see that the Forest Rd upgrades are beginning to take shape. Both Forest Rd and our new carpark are awaiting new lines to be marked.

While we are currently able to use the new carpark, it is important for parents and visitors to be aware that we will be parking a little differently.

Staff, parents and visitors will need to:

- Use the designated entry and exit
- Leave space at the gate for the bus to drop off and pick up students
- Park on a diagonal to fit as many cars in as possible
- Make sure no car is parked on the walking path between the fence and the carpark.
- If you have any questions, please contact the school and speak to a member of staff, we want students to have a safe place to walk to their cars.

Dressing for the Weather

We are beginning to have some quite cold days and it is important that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather.

During Winter, it is a great idea that students come to school wearing their school jumpers and long pants. Students are able to take off their jumper as the weather warms up or when they are in the classroom. By doing so, reducing the number of children becoming sick and the spread of any illness. Students will only have inside play in extremely cold weather and wet days.

Absences

If your child is away, you must notify the school. This can be done via phone call or sending a note in with your child when they return.

Canteen and Friday Morning Tea

Canteen and Friday Morning Tea are postponed until **further notice**. We are hoping to start in Term 3.

Commonwealth School Banking - Resumes Term 3

For those children who have 'Dollar Mites' accounts and bank through the school, banking resumes in Term 3 2020.

Spring Into School Term 2 Payments Due

Term 2 Spring Into School payments are due on Tuesday 30th June. Please pay Maxine in the office. The office will be open from 8:45am. - 3.35pm. If at any time the office is unattended and you wish to make a payment, please enclose

your payment in an envelope (which are available in the office next to the sticky tape dispenser), then seal securely and label. The envelope can be given to a staff member or deposited in the silver box.

P&C News

A chilly week ahead, which is a perfect time to send home our fundraiser for this term. A Pie Drive!!! All pies and baked goods will be provided fresh from Akehurst Bakery, Blayney on Thursday 30th July, we will notify those who have ordered when they are packed and ready for collection. Please return money and order forms no later than Monday 20th July.

We have a couple of other ideas in the pipeline for the remainder of the year, so stay tuned!

To those new families to the school if you wish to be a part of the P&C please reach out and we can get you signed up and pay the \$2.00 per person insurance.

Keep warm!

Bec Robinson

P&C President

Community News

ANZ NetsetGO

An introductory program for netball for ages 5-7 years and is a play-based movement, skills program. Emphasis is on the development of basic movement skills, in a fun environment of games and activities. Children join as individuals, not as teams and the program will be coordinated by accredited coaches.

Date: Wednesdays beginning 22nd July for 10 weeks.

Venue: PCYC Netball Courts

Time: 5pm-6pm

Cost: \$67.50 (covers 10 coaching sessions plus a netball and t-shirt)

Online registration at www.netsetgo.asn.au - Orange Netball Association Inc. Contact Toot Keegan on 0437 278 306

if you have any questions.