

# Spring Terrace Newsletter

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Term 3

Week 2

Tuesday 28th July, 2020

### What's on at STPS

Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Wed 5<sup>th</sup> & Thur 6<sup>th</sup> August

Next Week 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> August

Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> August

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3-Way (Parent/Student/Teacher) Interviews

Education Week

Wear Red Day for Ronald McDonald House

P&C Meeting

### Message from the Principal

#### Welcome to Week Two

We've made a busy start to the term and are looking forward to another 9 productive weeks at school (fingers crossed). Alison Seib returned for tennis lessons last week, thanks to Miss Hutchison for the great job she did in Alison's absence, she hit far fewer kids with tennis balls than I did.

This week we will welcome the Doessel family to Spring Terrace. I'm sure the students and school community will make them welcome. This will see our numbers rise to 41.

#### COVID Update

Thank you to our school community for following the COVID restriction that are relevant to school. The key points for us include:

- Regular hand washing and sanitizing,
- Students and staff staying home if they are unwell,
- Limited number of people on site that don't have to be there,
- Students bringing a drink bottle to school and not using the bubblers, and
- Social distancing where practical.

#### 2021 Enrolments

This term we will, as much as possible, finalise our enrolments for 2021. If you have children starting Kindergarten in 2021 please contact Mrs Chapman or myself to get the process underway. If you know of anybody who might be interested in their child starting Kindergarten in 2021, please invite them to contact the school to discuss this.

#### 3-Way (Parent/Student/Teacher) Interviews

Interviews will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week. The Department is encouraging us to conduct these interviews over the phone or via video conference (Zoom etc). However, in person interviews at school can be organised if phone or video conference does not suit.

Teachers would like to have the opportunity to speak to every parent about their child's progress so far and their goals for the remainder of the year. A form to book times is attached to the newsletter, please return by this Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July.

#### Ronald McDonald Wear Red Day

We will hold a Ronald McDonald Wear Red Day next Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August. Students are asked to bring wear something red and bring a gold coin donation which will go to the Orange facility. It's up to the students if their "something red" is school uniform or not.

#### School-Home Communication & Newsletter Survey

Thank you to those who filled out the survey via the P&C Facebook page link. For those who haven't seen the post I have emailed the link today, whether you have accessed the link via Facebook or email the survey is completely anonymous.

#### Education Week

Education week is coming up in next week and we are keen to celebrate. Open classrooms and assemblies don't quite fit the COVID restrictions, so we will be looking for interesting ways that we can celebrate our successes with our community.

Mr Peter Scott  
Principal



## News from the Classrooms

### K/1 Classroom

K/1 students are continuing their 'Where the Wild things are' unit. In Mathematics, students are looking at area and length. Students will be learning how to calculate the area and length of an object or shape.



### 1/2 Classroom



In the Year 1/2 Classroom, students have learnt about marsupials, monotremes, mammals and birds. This week, students are learning all about the koala. In Mathematics, students are continuing to develop a solid understanding of number and learning to accurately calculate the area and length of a shape.

### 3-6 Classroom

In the Primary class this week we will be continuing to write newspaper and news reports. In Mathematics, we will be finishing off some work on multiplication and brushing up on our number facts including times tables.

## PAX Good Behaviour Game - FOCUS

This week's PAX GBG focus:

1. **PAX Quiet-** Students will be learning a universal cue (peace sign also known as PAX fingers) for attention, it is far more than just for quieting students down. This will assist in developing rapid student cooperation that helps to reduce the transition time between lessons. Teachers will use their PAX Harmonicas to indicate when students are to show PAX Quiet.
2. **Granny Wacky Prizes-** Granny wacky prizes combine proven strategies: mystery motivators. Students learn that they can achieve rewarding consequences with voluntary cooperative efforts. They also learn to delay gratification. This important lesson is another step in teaching self-regulation. Granny Wacky Prizes is a powerful tool that quickly increase positive behaviour (PAX) and reduce problematic behaviours (Spleems).

## STPS News

### Spring Into School Term 3 Invoicing

Invoices will be attached to the newsletter for Term 3, 2020. The upfront payment is due **Week 4 Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August**. If you have any queries or wish to pay by instalments, please see Mrs Chapman in the office. The office is open from 8.45am to 3.45pm, every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

### School Mailbox

The school mailbox can be used as a resource for dropping off mail, correspondence, notes etc. to the school during any COVID-19 restrictions. If utilising this, please make sure the contents are securely placed in an envelope, labelled and phone the school to advise.

### Commonwealth 'DollarMite' Banking

If you have school banking for your child, please send it in this week and it will be processed on the Thursday.

### Scholastic Book Club

Please find attached Issue 5 2020. Place your orders online through the LOOP system by next Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August.

## P&C News

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who participated in the pie drive, come Thursday there will be a lot of full, warm pie bellies! We will contact parents when the pies are ready for collection!

A super shout out to **Max Millan and Family**, you guys deserve a pie selling trophy. Thank you for your great effort! After the quick poll on our Facebook page and Mrs Scott's availability, we will be holding the next P&C meeting on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 2.00pm. Given the ever-changing regulations the location for the meeting will be confirmed next week.

Enjoy your week!

Bec Robinson

P&C President

## Community News

### FOOD CARE – FOOD RELIEF.FOOD RESCUE

Opening hours: Tues, Wed & Thurs 10.30 to 1.00pm and Thurs 4.30 to 6.00pm.

Location: 142 March Street, Orange in the Green Shed

At the shop: A range of fresh and frozen foods and household items, some are free others discounted. Foodcare aims to assist those experiencing financial hardship. Please email for information on vouchers.

### WAR ON WASTE

We provide a 'food rescue' service and accept in-date donations of food and household items from producers, farmers, food service retailers, local gardeners, farmers markets, household pantries and community events.

### VOLUNTEERING

If you would like to give back to the community and help this great service, visit the website or call 0447 577 884.

### CONTACT US

Email: [info@foodcareorange.org.au](mailto:info@foodcareorange.org.au) or general enquiries 0447 577 884. Free transport arrangement – 0467 229 673  
Website: [www.foodcareorange.org.au](http://www.foodcareorange.org.au).



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Student Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Time: ☐ Morning ☐ Mid-Morning ☐ Afternoon

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm

Interview Conducted: ☐ Phone  
☐ Zoom Session  
☐ In person

*(Please tick above)*

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please print)*

This note needs to be returned by this Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020. Children can hand notes in, place in the silver box in the office or they can be left in the outdoor mailbox.