

# Spring Terrace Newsletter

## Spring Terrace Public School

A Community of Confident Learners

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Term 4

Week 3

2021

### What's on at STPS

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Friday 22 October	Spring Into School Term 4 fees due
Friday 29 October	World Teachers' Day
Tuesday 9 November	Kinder Orientation (half day)
Tuesday 16 November	Kinder Orientation (half day)
Tuesday 23 November	School Photos
Tuesday 23 November	Kinder Orientation (full day)
Tuesday 30 November	Kinder Orientation (full day)
Saturday 4 December	Local Government Elections

### Messages from the Principal

#### School Visitor Check-In

The Department of Education has partnered with ServiceNSW to give every visitor and contractor a streamlined way to check in and out of any NSW government school they visit. A single School Visitor Check-in system started yesterday, Monday 18 October! Please ensure you continue to follow the Level 3 COVID Guidelines and only attend school if you have an appointment or approval to enter the school grounds.

An iPad will be made available in the office foyer for those who cannot log in using their phone, where all approved/ authorised visitors are required to check into the ServiceNSW Logbook.

All visitors such as parents, carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers are required to check-in. Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-In.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW COVID-19 mandate.
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.



#### Before and After School Care



Last week I met with the team from Big Childcare regarding the provision of before and after school care at Spring Terrace Public School. The service will commence once all approvals are granted and will be available to students from Spring Terrace as well as Spring Hill. It is anticipated to start in Week 5 and will operate from 7.00 – 9.00am in the mornings and again from 3.30 – 6.00pm in the afternoons.

Further information regarding costings, enrolment and organisation will be included in next week's newsletter.

#### Friday Canteen Day

Whilst we remain with all students able to attend school, Canteen Day is permitted under the Department guidelines for Level 3 restrictions. Students can order their lunch with Shirley on Thursday mornings ready for Friday.

#### Changeable Weather

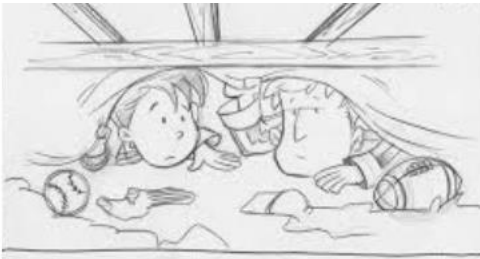
Students may wear shorts under their trackpants to school if it is cool in the mornings and shed layers during the day when it warms up.

### **Student health care needs**

As a duty of care to students with health care needs, the school is required to maintain up to date records and action plans to support students while at school. Health conditions such as Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Allergies, Eczema, Rhinitis (Hayfever), Epilepsy/Seizures, ADHD, ASD etc can all impact on our daily routines and in some cases require intervention and support during school hours.

Letters are being prepared for students with identified health care needs in line with their original enrolment details to ensure appropriate measures are in place to support them at school. If you have a child who has developed a health condition such as Asthma or Allergy since their original enrolment was recorded. Please call the office and speak to Ms Symons to obtain the appropriate forms for consultation with your Doctor or Specialist so our records can be updated, and the correct health care procedures put in place to support your child.

### **Overdue Library Books**



There are many overdue library books. An overdue notice for your child/ren is attached to this newsletter. Please look for the books at home and return them as soon as possible. Your child will not be able to borrow books until all overdue books have been returned.

Books that are not returned will incur a replacement cost invoiced to parents.

### **Spring Into School Fees**

A reminder to families who have not yet paid their fees for Term 3 they are overdue. Term 4 Fees are due this Friday 22 October. Please speak to me if you would like to set up a payment plan.

Mr Peter Scott  
Principal

## **News from the Classrooms**

### **K/1 Classroom**

This week in Maths, we are looking at subtraction and counting back from a given number. In English we are learning about nouns and verbs and putting these into a sentence.

Please complete all homework given and return on a Friday. Sight words must be practiced every night. Also, reading logs to be filled out each night so I can tally up all the books the children have read to receive their reading certificates. Have a good week

Miss Hutchison

### **Year 2 Classroom**

In grammar, Year 2 are continuing to explore proper nouns. They have learned that the days of the week and months of the year are examples of proper nouns. Students are learning about digital and analogue time, specifically quarter past, and quarter to.

Homework - I will be re-sending family tree apples for those who did not return this last week. I will also be sending home a quick questionnaire. Please assist your child in completing both sheets as they will support this term's writing unit.

Here is a photo of our Bernini inspired portraits.  
See if you find your child's self-portrait.

Ms Toovey



### **3-6 Classroom**

The Primary class have been studying the novel "Misery Guts" by Morris Gleitzman. The story is about a young boy who is trying to make his miserable parents happy.

In Maths we are having a final push to improve our recall of multiplication tables as well as learning how to solve multiplication and division algorithms and written problems.

### Scholastic Book Club



*Please note gift orders do not come gift wrapped*

Issue 7, Book Club orders are due Monday **25 October**. Please ensure you have completed your **online** orders by the due date to avoid incurring a separate postage on your items. NOTE: If you are ordering for special occasions, please advise the office of collection arrangements.

Orders and money are no longer processed through school. Orders must be finalised online through LOOP via link <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>

### School Student Transport Scheme

On 1 October 2021 the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) information and application portal was moved to **transportnsw.info**. Students who do not live on the Apple City Bus Route to and from school may be eligible for private vehicle travel.

Students who catch the bus should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from Apple City. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with Apple City if they do not receive a pass.

### Swimming Lessons

We are hopeful the lifting of restrictions for excursions and sporting activities outside of the school will be lifted soon. Please continue to return the permission note and money for bus travel so we are organised ready to go when permitted to venture out.

### Spring Into School

Today our littlest people were very busy creating beautiful Rainbow Name Clouds at school today! 🌈



## P&C News

### School uniforms and clothing pool

If you need new uniforms, please contact the school or Shirley for orders. A stocktake of the current uniforms on hand will be undertaken this week. If you think you are going to need a larger sizing for next year, please let us know as soon as possible so the order can be finalised to cater for everyone with sufficient stock available. There is a limited amount of secondhand clothing available in some sizes only.

### Spring Into Gardening

The next garden open day is Sunday 14 November. We would like cardboard donations to be collected ready for a productive morning in the garden. If you have any, we would greatly appreciate taking it off your hands.

What a fantastic addition to our school with the news of Before and After School Care starting soon! Bravo Spring Terrace Public School!

Bec Robinson  
P&C President

## Community News and Information

### Local election work opportunities

Expressions of interest are now open to work at the elections in December. Working at an election is a great way for members of the community to earn money, learn new skills and deliver democracy by helping people to have their say. There are positions available during the election period and on Election Day itself. More information, including position descriptions, pay rates, and the link to apply, can be found on <https://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/About-us/Work-with-us/Local-election-work-opportunities>



### Music Scholarships



### 2022 Music Scholarship Applications Now Open

Music students from Orange and surrounds are invited to apply to be a part of our most inclusive and diverse program yet, with opportunities across almost every instrument, skill level and background.

The ORC Scholarship program has been able to expand its size and diversity through the support of our many local sponsors. Organisations such as the **Orange Regional Arts Foundation**, the **Rotary Club of North Orange**, **Rotary Daybreak**, and the **Orange Male Voice Choir** have all made significant contributions. Along with many individuals, families and anonymous donors who continue to support the program with incredible generosity. We are humbled by the role the Orange community plays in supporting young music students develop within our organisation.

**Applications open:** Monday 18 October 2021

**Applications close:** Friday 12 November 2021

**Auditions to be held:** Saturday 20 November 2021

For more information and an application form, [visit orangecon.org.au/scholarships](https://www.orangecon.org.au/scholarships)