Spring Terrace Newsletter

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What's on at STPS

Wednesday 31 March OSSA White Athletics Carnival

Thursday 22 April District Cross Country

Tuesday 8 June Musica Viva

Messages from the Principal

OSSA White & Green Combined Cross Country

Congratulations to those students who attended the OSSA Cross Country last Friday at Cudal. The staff are particularly pleased with the way our students conducted themselves. Congratulations to Noah, who won his event along with Millie, Tyler and who all came in the top 4 and will represent OSSA White in the Orange district Cross Country on Thursday 22 April which is also at Cudal. Permission notes for District must be returned to school by Friday 26 March.

OSSA White Athletics Carnival

The OSSA White Athletics carnival will take place next Wednesday 31 March at Waratahs Sports Ground Orange. This carnival is for all students Kindergarten to Year 6. Students who are aged 5 to 7 will participate in age races and Tabloid Sport events, while students aged 8 to 12 will compete in track and field events.

Students need to arrive at 8:45 for a 9am start.

COVID restrictions limit us to one parent per family however this doesn't apply to parents who are volunteering We are looking for volunteers to help run events but first we need to ensure Bec and the P&C have enough help to run the canteen. Please consider giving up some of your time to help.

Attached to the newsletter is a permission note with more details and a lunch order form. These must be returned to school no later than this Thursday, 25 March. No late lunch orders will be accepted.

Free Piano

The old piano in the primary classroom has to go, with a growing class we just don't have room for it. It is free to anybody who is willing to help me move it. It does work but according to a tuner can't be tuned and isn't worth repairing. Please let me know if you are interested, It can be transported on my trailer if you don't have something suitable for the job.

Welcome Ms Symons

Last week we welcomed Ms Jenny Symons to our team. Jenny will be relieving for Mrs Chapman for the remainder of this term and all of Term 2. Jenny comes to us with experience working in a variety of schools both big and small and has already been of great assistance in getting ready for the OSSA White athletics carnival.

I'm sure our whole school community will make her welcome.

Miss Toovey Has Returned!

The staff and student have enjoyed having Miss Toovey back in the classroom over the last week and a bit.

Mr Edwards will continue working Tuesdays for the remainder of this term before Miss Toovey returns to fulltime next term

Mr Peter Scott

Principal

News from the Classrooms

K/1 Classroom

I am very proud of the K/1 students who participated in the Cross-Country last Friday it was a great achievement. I am also proud to announce the children that have reached 25 Nights Home Reading and they are Lilah Steadman, Raphie Hibberd and Felix Ringbauer.

In Maths, this week we are learning about capacity and we have had many discussions about all the dams and rivers that have reached their capacity.

In Literacy, we have almost finished our phonics program and are learning how to blend our sounds to make words in a text. The Year One's are continuing with their reading focusing on fluency, expression and comprehension skills. Have a great week! Zoe Hutchison

Year 2 Classroom

Wow! What a first week back! Students have adjusted to my return swimmingly. I am happy to announce that we have our first student to reach 25 Nights Home Reading- Tessa Gliddon. We have a number of students who are exceptionally close and I am sure will reach this achievement next week!

This week in Mathematics, Year 2 students are learning about all things capacity (perfect for this rainy weather we are experiencing).

In Literacy, we are having a strong focus on book work and how to take pride in how our learning is presented.

3-6 Classroom

The primary class can't get enough of persuasive writing at the moment. We are currently arguing why Mum, Dad or another significant person in our lives deserves an award. Our next challenge will be to persuade Mum or Dad why the family needs a new pet. Who has room for a Giraffe?

In maths we are reviewing the work we have done during the term and using our recently acquired knowledge in problem solving activities.

In class we have a strong focus on reflecting on our work. In handwriting students look back at their recent efforts and consider how they can improve. Is it getting better, it sitting on the line or consistent size? If students have a clear focus for a task they will achieve much greater improvement.

STPS News

COVID-19: Although restrictions have eased; we still ask that parents, carers and visitors sign in if they enter school grounds. We ask that you do not enter school grounds if you have any cold or flu like symptoms.

SPRING INTO SCHOOL: Thank you to those who have settled their fee's for the term. Spring into School fees were due THURSDAY, 11 March. If you have not yet paid and you wish to arrange a payment plan, please contact the office. Overdue invoices have been sent home with this newsletter.

P&C News

What a wet week, fingers crossed that our OSSA Carnival will be able to go ahead.

We have attached a menu order form and helper form to the newsletter today. Please get these returned as soon as possible.

We would also like to congratulate all of our students on an excellent result from the Cross Country last week both in the participation and sportsmanship shown! We are so proud of our students!

Hope you all have a great week

Bec Robinson P&C President

In art the primary class have been investigating impressionist painting and the work of Monet.

Lilies by Tess



OSSA White –Cross Country



Sporty Spice! Our students did an amazing job last Friday at our OSSA Cross Country. Congratulations to our runners. Noah placed 1st in his race, Millie secured a strong 2nd place for the girls and Tyler placed 3rd in his age group. WELL DONE!





Discover the power of pollinators this school holidays with a series of art-making and environmental education workshops presented by Orange Regional Gallery and Orange Regional Museum.

Each session will include a visit to the *Pollinators* exhibition at <u>Orange Regional Museum</u> followed by a hands-on activity in the West Room, Orange Regional Gallery. Children will learn about the crucial role that pollinators play in sustaining biodiversity and human health while getting to know some of our local plants and pollinating animals. There will also be time to admire the giant 'swarm' of artworks created by hundreds of local school children.

Pollinators is on show at Orange Regional Museum from 20 March – 9 May 2021. Entry is FREE.

Violin, Viola and Cello Lessons at ac&dc Strings

ac&dc Strings are offering lessons for individuals and small group classes from their studios in the Anson Street Plaza. They have instruments for hire if you don't already have your own. For further information please contact Doreen Cumming on 0435 129 098 or Andrew Callaghan on 0428 445 270.