

Spring Terrace Newsletter

Spring Terrace Public School

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Term 2

Week 3

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What's on at STPS

Date:	Activity
12 – 24 May	NAPLAN Years 3 and 5
Friday 14 May	Pirates Day
Wednesday 19 May	National Simultaneous Story Time
Thursday 27 May	Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 8 June	Musica Viva

Messages from the Principal

NAPLAN

Between 11 and 21 May students in year 3 and 5 will sit the National Assessment in Literacy and Numeracy. At Spring Terrace students will be sitting tests on Tuesday 11, Wednesday 12 and Thursday 13 May, and next week on Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19. If students are unwell they should still stay home from school as assessments don't have to be sat on a particular day and we have until Friday 21 May to complete all testing.

District Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to our students who represented OSSA White at the carnival yesterday. All students performed to their very best and enjoyed the day. There were some great results and personal bests. Tyler reached 120 centimetres in high jump beating his previous best by 7 centimetres.

Charlie came second in the final of the 100m and will be going on to compete at the regional carnival in Dubbo in the coming weeks. Spring Terrace students set a great example by cheering on not only our students but those from other schools in the OSSA Groups.



A big thank you to Kelly Mitchell and Kylee Doessel who stepped in to manage our students as I was called on to fill a role at the carnival. They ensured our students got to all their events and were looked after for the day.

Travelling to and from school

Duty of Care laws mean that staff cannot let students be picked up by people not previously identified by a parent. Parents can either add to their list of identified people or contact the school if it is to be a one off event.

To change your current arrangements please complete the form attached to the newsletter. For one off changes please advise the office or a teacher before pick up time.

Contact Details

If you have recently changed address and or phone numbers please advise the office as soon as possible to ensure we are always able to contact you in an emergency. If your designated emergency contacts change please advise these also.

Medical Information

As the weather becomes cooler many children come down with bugs and/or their medical conditions such as Asthma can be exacerbated. Please make sure the staff are aware of any changes in medical needs.

If your child is unwell please keep them at home until better. If they are suffering from flu symptoms please provide a negative COVID test result to school before they can return.

Pirate Day

Miss Bri is organising a fund raiser for children's brain cancer research which is held on Friday 14 May. Children may come to school dressed as a pirate. A gold coin donation will be collected to support the charity.



Spring Into School Transition Class

All students in Spring into School have settled in well to their new learning environment and are all attending the two day a week. Attached to this newsletter is the invoice for Term 2 payments. If you have outstanding Term 1 fees, these will be included in your Term 3 invoice.

Parent Information Session

We will hold our parent information session on 27th May and invite all parents to come along to find out about what we are doing in the classrooms this term and why we are doing it. We will do our best to keep it short and interesting. Schools and parents working together is one of the key ways we can help students learn.

Mr Peter Scott
Principal

News from the Classrooms

K/1 Classroom

Well done to all the people that returned homework on Friday. Sight word testing will take place on Tuesdays if your child passes their colour level they will be given the next level to practice at home. Please remember to fill out your child's reading log each night as they will be checked every Friday. Have a great week.

Year 2 Classroom

Lots of focused learning is happening in the Year 2 Classroom. Students are currently undertaking a narrative writing unit, where they are learning about characterisation and why it is important to develop a strong plan and understanding of their character's physical attributes and personality traits. In Mathematics, students will be strengthening their understanding of measurement, specifically length.

This week we celebrate Dash, who has achieved both 25, and 50 nights Home Reading rewards! Well done, Dash! I will be sending home a QR Code for Year 2 families to gain access to their child's SeeSaw account in the coming weeks. Stay tuned.

3-6 Classroom

This week the primary class will be finalising their independent persuasive writing pieces and having worked on their forming arguments and organising work into paragraphs over several weeks.

In mathematics this week we will be reviewing the work we have covered so far this year, students will be consolidating what they already know about, fractions, multiplication, division, lines and angles, and algebra before moving onto more challenging work in the coming weeks.

STPS News

Garden

Our students enjoying the rewards of all the hard work being put into our garden. Joe, Tessa and Dash loved our juicy watermelon from the garden. Big Thankyou to families donating time on our Spring into Gardening Sundays. Last week students planted winter vegetable seeds with Mr Scott.



Regular visitors

The camels from next door enjoy seeing the children each morning when they come to the fence for a feed and chat.

P&C News

Thank you to our volunteers over the weekend at Bunnings, it was a slow start with rain and a leaky roof but we got there with an unofficial profit of \$1,025! Brilliant Effort all round! We look forward to our next Bunnings BBQ in September.

The next P&C meeting will be Monday 24 May at 2.15pm.

Bravo to the children who competed yesterday at the District Athletics Carnival and a big congratulations to Charlie who is off to Dubbo for the Regionals!

In Garden News, we are calling out again for cardboard to continue the weed mat around the garden beds. It was great to welcome a couple of new faces at the meeting last week. A lot was discussed and plans made. If you wish to view the minutes they will be made available on the FB page. We look forward to continuing to work with the school and grow our ties with the community in 2021. There was an open day scheduled this weekend, on Sunday 9 May and as this is Mother's Day we have discussed rescheduling to the 16 May for a working bee to get the beds ready for winter crops etc.

Have a great week,

Bec Robinson
P&C President