

Spring Terrace Newsletter

Spring Terrace Public School

A Community of Confident Learners

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Term 1 Week 7 2022

What's on at STPS

Date:	Activity
Sunday 13 March	Spring Into Growing Garden afternoon 1.00 – 3.00pm
Monday 14 March	Return permission note and lunch order for Jack May Cup
Wednesday 16 March	Jack May Cup Athletics at Spring Hill Public School
Thursday 17 March	Return permission note and lunch order for OSSA Athletics
Wednesday 23 March	OSSA White Group Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 29 March	School Voluntary contributions requested by today
Wednesday 30 March	Back-up date for OSSA White Group Athletics Carnival
Friday 1 April	OSSA Cross Country at Dean Park Cudal
Monday 4 April	Back-up date - OSSA Cross Country
Tuesday 5 April	Easter Hat parade and egg hunt
Friday 8 April	Last day of Term 1
Wednesday 27 April	First day of Term 2
Thursday 28 April	GRIP Leadership Conference for School Leaders
Monday 2 May	District Cross Country – Cudal

Messages from the Principal

COVID-19 Public Health Orders

The NSW Health Minister has made the Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order 2022, which commenced at 5pm Monday 5 March 2022. The Order revokes and remakes the current Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order (No 4) 2021, with amendments.

Diagnosed cases

The Order requires persons diagnosed with COVID-19 to self-isolate until “medically cleared”. Medical clearance occurs 7 days after the person undertook their test or a lesser time notified by NSW Health or a medical practitioner.

A diagnosed person must notify certain persons of their positive result, including household members and their employer or in our case the school. If the person tested positive via a rapid antigen test, the person must also notify Service NSW. If a diagnosed case is given a medical clearance notice, the person is taken to have complied with any requirements to be vaccinated under another public health order for six weeks.

Close and household contacts

Certain contacts of a diagnosed case are also required to self-isolate:

A close contact notified by an authorized contact tracer must self-isolate for 7 days, a household contact must self-isolate for 7 days commencing from when the diagnosed person took the test (note, in practice this could end up being less than 7 days if the diagnosed person took a PCR test and it took a couple of days to get a positive result).

This is a change from the current order where the 7 days is counted from the time the person was last in contact with the diagnosed case. Further, the household contact is not obligated to self-isolate as a contact if they are subsequently notified by another household contact and it has been no more than 14 days since the contact completed their self-isolation period, and a close contact or household contact is not required to self-isolate as a contact if the person previously had COVID-19 and it has been less than 8 weeks since the person ceased self-isolating as a case.

Rapid Antigen Test Kits

Packs were distributed to students this week as a departmental requirement for monitoring of symptoms. Please contact the school if you have any concerns regarding the above information.

Head Lice

We have had incidences of Head Lice in the school. Please check your child's hair and monitor for infestations and treat accordingly. This is a highly contagious and transmissible condition. Information on treatment methods are available from:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/treatment.aspx>

Family update information

Thank you to the families who have returned their forms. Having up to date and correct information is vital to ensure we can communicate with you and make contact in the case of illness or emergency.

This year we are going to trial using the Sentral Attendance and Recording Portal to send emails to parents and carers for example, attendances, school updates, and excursion information as a way of streamlining our processes and allowing you the opportunity to respond via electronic means.

Not all families use Facebook, so this is not a practical way to ensure everyone is getting timely and accurate information. Please return these notes as soon as possible to allow our records to be updated. Especially important for the trial is your nominated email address for communication. If you have misplaced your original form and require a new one, please contact the office.

Jack May Cup

An information sheet and permission note is attached to this newsletter for the visit to Spring Hill Public School on Wednesday 16 March. Please return the permission note and lunch order form back to School no later than Monday 14 March 2022. A program of events is also attached for your information if you are planning to attend part or all of the day.

OSSA White Group Athletics Carnival

The OSSA White Group Athletics Carnival is scheduled for Wednesday 23 March at Waratahs Sports Grounds in North Orange. A detailed information sheet, permission note and lunch order form will be sent home next week. There is a short turnaround time for returning notes to ensure you get lunch orders in before the cut off date of 17 March.

Orange Running Festival

Thank you to the students, families and community members who assisted with the set up and manning of water stations at the recent running festival. The weather held off and it was an enjoyable way to spend the morning encouraging the runners in the marathon and half marathon events to achieve their goals. Thank you to Bec and the P&C for co-ordinating this.

Mrs Louise Lloyd
R/Principal

Weekly Awards

Student of the Week

Jack, Winston, and Kenzie

Merit Award

Evie, Henry, and Scarlett



News from the classrooms

K/1 Classroom with Miss Hutchison

This week in K/1 we are focusing on our writing skills. Kindergarten will be doing the correct letter formation as well as learning the conventions of a sentence. Year 1 are going to be learning punctuation and how it is used correctly in a sentence.

In Maths, we are learning about time, day/night, the duration of time and for Year 1 telling the time on the hour and half hour.

A massive congratulations to all children in K/1 as we have 100% in the return of homework. A reminder to parents to keep practicing sight words as children are tested on them each week.



Have a wonderful week as we reach the half way point in term 1.

Year 2/3 Classroom with Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Lee

Wow the term is going so fast, I cannot believe we are in Week 7 already. 2/3 have been learning how to write an orientation to an imaginative text using 'Possum Magic' as a model.

In Maths, Year 2 have been learning about number facts-equivalence and how to balance their sums, while Year 3 have been focusing on measurement using metres and centimetres. This week Year 2 will be looking at time on the hour and half past and Year 3 will be examining fractions including halves and quarters.

Students have been learning about Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness with Mrs Lee using the new program "The Resilience Project".

Great work on the homework everyone! Keep up the home reading! Have a fantastic week!

Years 3/4/5/6 with Mr Edwards

A quick round-up of current learning in our classroom if your children are anything like mine and 'can't remember' what they did at school...! We are spelling in the morning using strategies, themes and patterns to learn tricky words and/or sound/letter combinations. Meanwhile we are starting to learn ways to talk, write and think persuasively during English time.

Years 4-6 are learning and re-visiting fractions, decimals, and terms like equivalent, whole and parts during Mathematics.

When Mrs Lloyd's Year 3 group joins us for our other Key Learning Areas, we are currently discovering relationships between animals in science including life cycles and food chains, comparing periods of 'First Contact' in History (both Aboriginal and European).

We are considering physical, mental, and personal safety situations in PDH, and elements of 'sprint' and 'jump' during PE.

In Music with Mrs Denham we are learning about percussion, beat and writing/reading sheet Music on Fridays. Another busy week, enjoy!

STPS News

Lost Property

We have several unnamed jumpers in the office that have been here for a while. If your child is missing a small, medium, or larger size please contact the office and indicate what size and condition you are missing. If unclaimed they will be given to the P&C clothing pool for resale.

Now that the weather is cooler in the mornings and warms up during the day, please ensure all items that come to school are well labelled with your child's name so they can be returned if found lying around the school.

Canteen List

The canteen list sent home last week was missing the milk and juice options, these are still available at the previous prices. Flavoured Milk = \$3.20 and Juice = \$4.20. Apologies this was not picked up earlier, please add by hand to your list for reference.

School Leaders

Our school leaders appeared in last week's CWD 'Tomorrow's Leaders' lift-out.



Student Learning Support



We welcome Miss Emily to Spring Terrace Public School as our Student Learning Support Officer for 2022 replacing Miss Bri, and Miss Paige for this term. Miss Emily works with students across the three classes each day supporting individuals to work independently and with small groups focusing on specific learning areas.

Child Wellbeing

Younger children sometimes have accidents while at school and require a change of clothing. The school has a limited supply of spare undies and shorts in case of emergency; however, it is better for your child to have their own spares in a plastic zip lock bag inside their backpack.

Scholastic Book Club



Issue 2, Book Club orders are due Thursday 24 March. 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.

Making a note on your LOOP order does not always mean the office is aware of your request.

No orders are accepted at school and orders must be completed online through LOOP via the link <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>

Before and After School Care (BASC) Vouchers

The BASC Voucher Program is an exciting initiative that offers families a \$500 voucher per child, to support the cost of accessing BASC services. Families can claim the voucher from Service NSW between 28 February and 30 September 2022 and must redeem the voucher at a participating Before and After School Care service by 31 December 2022.

Claim the voucher from the Service NSW app on your smartphone device, or by following the verification steps as outlined on the Service NSW website: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc-voucher>

If you have any questions, please reach out to the BASC team at bascreform@det.nsw.edu.au or on 1300 244 145. You can also visit a ServiceNSW Centre.

Big Childcare at Spring Terrace Public School is a registered provider for BASC under this scheme.

P&C News

Orange Running Festival

Thank you very much to Mrs Lloyd, Mr Edwards, Begs, Tessa, Millie, Phil, Lisa, Shirl, and Evie for volunteering their time on Sunday for the running Festival, we have had some wonderful feedback from the organisers and look forward to getting a call back next year.

Still on the running festival we had a few of our own students compete in the Junior One Mile Event. Congratulations to Tessa, Millie, Evie, and Jack R, you all did a wonderful job. If there were any other students that I didn't see compete well done to you too!

OSSA Athletics Carnival

A lunch order form for the carnival day will be sent home next week and we are encouraging parents/cares, teachers, and spectators to pre-order food for catering purposes. Thank you

Spring into Growing

Open garden again this Sunday 13 March, we are changing times this week from 1.00 – 3.00pm. Looking forward to seeing you then, remember to keep an eye on the Facebook page for updates when we have fresh produce available!

There are also fresh eggs from the chooks available from school at \$2.50 per dozen. The money raised from the eggs will be used to purchase chook food.

Bulb Fundraiser

We still have our bulb fundraiser running until 28 March, These are beautiful and well priced with 40% of sales back to the P&C.

The website is set up in groups, click on an image and it will take you to that group where you can select the bulbs you want to order. The website information is shown below.

Happy Shopping!!

Bec Robinson
P&C President

ORDERING YOUR PRODUCTS:
The unique website to order your products and make payment for your fundraising campaign. →

Go ON-LINE to place your order at:
www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/SPRINGTPS
Campaign end date: 28/03/22
Products available to order until this date unless sold out prior.

** A postage and handling fee of \$6.50 will be charged for your total fundraising order (TAS and WA incur an additional \$6 quarantine fee per total order), no matter the size of the order and will be delivered to your nominated address for distribution.

Don't forget, we have even more bulbs to choose from online. Visit your unique website above to see the full range of fabulous bulbs. The hardest thing about them is choosing your favourites!

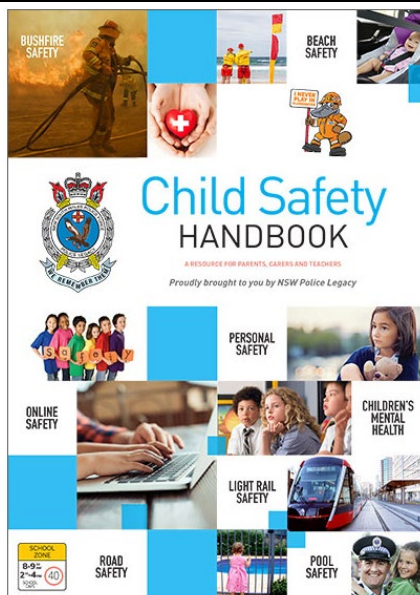


Get your family and friends involved to support your worthy cause. Spring bulbs are a great choice for beginners and an easy one for the pros! All our products are 100% guaranteed and come with detailed growing instructions. There is a downloadable order form available online if you need one.

WHAT OUR SYMBOLS MEAN	 Full sun	 Full sun/ light shade	 Great in pots
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Need Help? For further information regarding Tesselaar Fundraising call 1300 428 527 or visit www.bulbfundraiser.com.au

Community News and Information



The 'NSW Police Legacy Child Safety Handbook' is a comprehensive resource to assist parents, carers as well as teachers on a range of topics essential to child safety. The handbook has been updated to include key messages about storm and flood safety, covid safety, children's personal safety and online safety.

Here are a couple of links where the digital handbook can be viewed:
NSW Police Legacy – <https://www.policelegacynsw.org.au/resources/>
Child Safety Hub website – <http://nsw.childsafetyhub.com.au/handbook/>

The new edition of this valuable safety resource is now valuable online with updated safety content.

All parents and carers are urged to download this latest edition and discuss the safety content with your children. **Child Safety Handbook App** available for download:





OPEN GARDEN

Saturday 26th March 2022
9.30am - 4.30pm

Tormaline Park
1134 Cargo Rd Orange

\$10 entry

Support a good cause and explore 4 acres of native garden and enjoy morning or afternoon tea

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL GO TO 'CRUSIN-ALONG' WHO ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR LOCAL CANCER CLINICAL TRIALS THROUGH THE ROTARY CLUB OF ORANGE DAYBREAK

Hosted by the Orange Lapidary and Mineral Club Inc

Morning or afternoon tea \$5.00 p.p



ORANGE Harmony Day 2022

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 26 March 2022
4:00-8:00pm
South Court, Byng Street Orange

MULTICULTURAL FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT & MORE

For more information contact Anni Gallagher on 6393 8625 or visit the Harmony Week website at www.harmony.gov.au



EARLY BIRD OFFER

Orange Ex-Services' Soccer Club

Juniors Age 5-16 Male & Female
All Age Men & Women

You can register online at www.playfootball.com.au/register

If have any other questions please see our website for FAQ or email enquiries.oescsoccercub@gmail.com

www.orangeexservicesoccer.com

COVID-19 Our volunteers and customers must comply with any NSW health directions that are in force at any given time. Don't forget to apply for your Active Kids Voucher. You will also need to upload a headshot of the player being registered.



Millthorpe Junior Soccer 2022

REGISTRATIONS CLOSING SOON

Under 5 & up

SEASON COMMENCES 30 APRIL 2022

Contact: millthorpe.jsc@gmail.com

Click or scan here for registration page.

