

Spring Terrace Newsletter

Spring Terrace Public School

A Community of Confident Learners

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Term 2

Week 2

2022

What's on at STPS

Date:

Wednesday 4 May

Sunday 8 May

Tuesday 10 May

Thursday 12 May

Friday 20 May

Wednesday 25 May

Monday 13 June

Tuesday 14 June

Wednesday 15 June

Activity

Industrial Action – School non-operational (NO CLASSES)

Spring Into Growing

NAPLAN begins

Return Stewart House Donation Envelope for a chance to win

District Athletics Carnival

National Simultaneous Storytime

Queens Birthday Public Holiday

School Photos

Regional Cross Country – Geurie

Messages from the Principal

Welcome back to Term 2

It was so nice to see our students back to school with happy smiling faces and lots of stories to tell about their holidays. A special welcome to Ms Fryda as the permanent teacher for Spring Terrace Public School. Ms Fryda is the Primary Class teacher and brings a wealth of experience and educational knowledge to our school.

ANZAC Day

Thank you to the families who came to Orange for their children to represent Spring Terrace Public School in the ANZAC Day March. Our students marched proudly down Summer St as representatives of our school.



District Cross Country results

Well done to our Cross Country competitors yesterday at District Carnival in Cudal. Everyone placed in the top 20 of their age groups. Congratulations to Tyler D on an outstanding run yesterday placing 1st for his age group. Feedback on the day was how well behaved our students were and looking out for each other during the day. Thank you to parents for transporting and supporting the students for the day.

Industrial Action – School Non-operational

This Wednesday 4 May, Spring Terrace Public School will be non-operational for classes. No students are to attend school as there will be no supervision. Please see further details in STPS News section.

GRIP Leadership Conference



Ms Fryda and Year 6 students travelled to Bathurst last Thursday along with many over 30 schools from the region. The day was jam-packed with activities around teamwork, integrity and supporting school communities. We are fortunate here at Spring Terrace to have four capable and hardworking Year 6 students in Rihanna, Marshall, Tyler D, and Lachie. The day inspired them to come up with some great ideas around leading our school student body for the remainder of the year. We wish them the best of luck in these endeavours.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN begins next week on Tuesday 10 May 2022. We aim to run a test each day for both Year 3 and Year 5 beginning with **writing**. If your child is in these grades, please can you ensure they are at school each day. We are hoping to complete the test as soon as possible within the guidelines. If your child is sick, we understand. Catch-up testing will be made available in Week 4. (However, we hope everyone stays healthy so we will not need this option!) Students have participated in the practice tests last term to ensure they are ready for NAPLAN and to reduce any fears they may have about participating in NAPLAN.

A City for Kids

STPS will be participating in an Art program in partnership with the Orange Regional Gallery and Museum. They will be creating a city with students from schools in the Sparke network. As such, we ask that each child bring in 1 or 2 empty cardboard box/containers to create their buildings for this project. Examples include a tissue box, cereal box, pringles tubes, shoe box etc – no large boxes thank you 😊

Mrs Louise Lloyd
R/Principal

Weekly Awards

Student of the Week W11 T1 and W1 T2

Lilah, Harvey, Rihanna, Kenzie, Felix, and Tyler J



Merit Award W11 T1 and W1 T2

Scarlett, Reeva, Joseph, Jade, Alexandra, and Clara



Birthdays W11 T1 and W1 T2

Scarlett, Winston, Noah, Edith, Henry, Clara, Harry, Jack L, and Charlie



News from the classrooms

K/1 Classroom with Miss Hutchison

Welcome to Term 2! Hope you all had a lovely Easter break. Due to timetable changes K/1 library will now be held on be on Monday. Homework was sent home yesterday please revise the Phonics that are in the children's books.

The children on the spelling program will write out their spelling words each night and they will write the words into sentences. Please read the books sent home and fill out the reading log sheet. If you need a new reading log sheet, please let me know and I will organise one to be sent home.

Homework is to be returned on Friday. Please return your child's homework book and their blue folder. I will be testing the children on their sight words this Friday so please make sure their sight words are in the blue folder as well. Have a fantastic week.

Year 2/3 Classroom with Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Lee

Welcome to Term 2 😊 We hope you had a restful break and a wonderful Easter with family and friends. Everyone has settled back into to the routines of school well and they are quickly adjusting to the new timetable. Homework commences this week and should have come home with your child. Home reading also began yesterday. Please remind your child to return their home reader folders regularly to swap books and their homework on Friday for marking.

In Maths we have been looking at place value and ordering numbers from smallest to largest based on place value. Ask your child to teach you the 'Ladder game'.

In English we wrote a recount of our holidays and completed grammar on adjectives and capital letters. We will be assessing student reading levels over the coming weeks so please emphasise reading at home focusing on expression, fluency, and comprehension. Enjoy your week!

Years 3/4/5/6 with Ms Fryda

It has been a wonderful to enjoy Week One of the term with the 3-6 class. We have been busy settling back into school and adapting to some changes in the way we do things. New timetables, break times and a new teacher have kept everyone on their toes!

I am delighted to be working at Spring Terrace and look forward to meeting our parent community as the term unfolds. I've also been very impressed with the mature and settled manner in which the 3-6 class have adjusted to a new term. They deserve to feel very proud of themselves.

STPS News

Industrial Action tomorrow – Wednesday 4 May

The NSW Teachers Federation has directed its membership to take industrial action in the form of a 24-hour strike on Wednesday 4 May 2022. As a result of the strike, we will not be operating on that day meaning parents and carers will need to make alternative arrangements for care of student/s that day.

The department has been negotiating with the NSW Teachers Federation since October last year to reach an agreement on the new Teachers Award. The department is seeking a resolution for a new 3-year Teachers Award through arbitration in the Industrial Relations Commission in early May. The department is committed to securing the maximum remuneration increase that it can give to teachers. This includes a 2.5% increase in remuneration for all teachers and related employees which was implemented in January this year. Thank you for your support and understanding during this short period of disruption.

Stewart House

Stewart House is a NSW Department of Education initiative that provides educational services to student in Years 2 to 8 from regional areas of NSW and the ACT. During a 12 day stay children are provided with medical treatment as well as emotional support.



The NSW Department of Education provides the facilities and staff to support Stewart House, all other costs associated with a child's stay are met from charitable donations.

Attached to this newsletter is an envelope for their annual donation drive in 2022. If you wish to donate, please return your completed envelope back to school by Thursday 12 May to ensure they are received at Stewart House before close-off for entry in the draw.

Sporting Schools in Term 2 – Tennis

Spring Terrace Public School has been successful in gaining funds from Sporting Schools for this term to have a professional Tennis Coach visit the school on Friday's for six weeks of lessons commencing this Friday for week's 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7. Any student who has their own racquet may bring it on Friday's, but it is not necessary to purchase racquets as there are ample supplies on hand.

Year 5 Opportunity Classes in 2023

Applications for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2023 close Friday 13 May. Applications are made online for class placement. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be conducted on Thursday 28 July 2022. Further information and links to the online application is available from the website link. <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Lost Property

Now that the cooler weather is here and the winter woollies are coming out, please check your child's clothing is labelled with their own name. If you have purchased second-hand clothing, please remove old name labels and update. Please check all clothing and if your child has taken home someone else's jumper, jacket or hat please return it to school ASAP so it can be returned to its rightful owner.

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 3, Book Club orders are due this Thursday. Please ensure you have completed your online orders by the due date of 12 May, to avoid incurring a separate postage on your items.

No cash is accepted at the school office for book club. Orders must be completed online through LOOP via link <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx> 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.

P&C News

Welcome back to term 2!

Firstly, I would like to thank the children and school community who participated in the Anzac Day March, it was very humbling to see you representing our community at such an important event, Thank you.

Over the holidays, we were lucky enough to receive not one but two grants valuing \$2000.00 from Newcrest Mining's Cadia Valley Operations. These grants will go a long way to the school's worm farm project that will be underway very soon!



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The worm farm project aims to close the loop on our school's organic and paper waste through the purchase of a large-scale worm farm, transforming 100% of our organic food waste into high quality vermicast and worm juice. Thank you, Newcrest Mining's Cadia Valley Operations!!

Keep your eyes on this space as there may be another grant announcement coming up!!

We have some events coming up in the next couple of Terms, further information on these will be available from next week. I look forward to elaborating on these.

I will also be chatting with Mrs Lloyd this week regarding a date for the next P&C meeting, there was a lot of discussion over the holidays re uniforms etc. I would like to see those people attend the meeting as there will be a dedicated part of the meeting to this topic.

Bec Robinson
P&C President

Community News and Information

National Scholarship program - Youth off the Streets

Every year, over 20 young people from across Australia are awarded Youth Off The Streets scholarships valued at \$6,000 to pursue further education or training. In addition, each recipient receives an individual mentor who provides guidance and support during their scholarship.



Scholarship Program staff assist the recipients with challenges they may face such as budgeting expenses, housing, employment, healthcare, counselling, and other service referrals.

Nominations are invited from any young person in Australia aged 16 to 21 inclusive (as at 20 September 2022) with genuine talent, ability and/or determination in any education or training course, including (but not limited to): academic skills; visual or performing arts; sport; trade skills; and music. Further details about eligibility criteria can be found on our website.

Nominations must be made by the young person themselves; however, assistance in completing the nomination is encouraged and is your opportunity to help a young person follow their dreams.

Please visit <https://youthoffthestreets.com.au/get-support/national-scholarship-program/> to read the Guidelines and Conditions, and to complete a 2022 National Scholarship Program application form. Closing Date Friday 20 May.