

Spring Terrace Newsletter

Spring Terrace Public School

A Community of Confident Learners

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Term 3

Week 10

2022

What's on at STPS

Date:	Activity
21 September	Redtember - Ronald McDonald House Central West NSW
22 September	National Day of Mourning (Public Holiday)
23 September	Last day of Term 3
10 October	First day of Term 4
12 October	Little Athletics Australia incursion
17 October	Sporting School Swimming Scheme commences for 8 weeks
20 October	Kinder 2023 Parent Information evening at 5.30pm
25 October	Kinder 2023 Orientation starts
26 October	P&C Annual General Meeting
31 October	NAIDOC Week March in Orange
22 November	Excursion to Bathurst
13 December	Annual Presentation evening
15 December	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
19 December	Last day of school for students

Messages from the Principal

National Day of Mourning

Spring Terrace Public School will be non-operational this Thursday as per Government and Department of Education advice to observe Australia's national day of mourning for Her Majesty The Queen.

The public holiday is timed around the return of the Prime Minister and Governor-General from London after attending the Queen's funeral. Long-established protocol dictates the official day of mourning should fall the day after their return. The public holiday will only be observed to mourn Queen Elizabeth's death and will be a one-off for 2022.

A National Memorial Service will be held at 11.00am in the Great Hall of Australian Parliament House in Canberra. The service will begin with one minute's silence and will be broadcast live on 9News.com.au. School will be operational as normal on Friday, the last day of Term 3.



Retirement of Mr Peter Scott

I was informed yesterday by Mr Duncan Auld, Director Educational Leadership for the Orange Network of Schools that Mr Peter Scott has retired from the Department of Education. Due to Mr Scott's retirement Spring Terrace Public School's P & C has called an extra-ordinary meeting.

Spring Terrace P & C Association - Extra-Ordinary Meeting

P & C Financial Members were yesterday invited to an extra-ordinary meeting of the P&C Association tomorrow afternoon Wednesday 21 September, 3:30pm at school. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the process and timing for a permanent replacement of the school principal in readiness for the 2023 school year.

An outcome of the meeting is to elect a parent representative for the selection panel, Mr Duncan Auld will be in attendance to outline the process and answer any questions that arise. Non-financial members are also invited to be in attendance.

Performing School Orange

We could not be more proud of our dedicated dance troupe who performed 'Footloose' at last week's Public Schools Orange Performance. The students were amazing and embodied the spirit of the event by having fun whilst on stage. They were well behaved throughout the rehearsals and evening performance. They represented our school with a lot of pride. Congratulations to all!

Western Athletics

On Friday last week, 4 students travelled to Dubbo to compete in the Western Region Athletics Carnival. Whilst our students did not place in the finals, we are very proud of their achievement in making it to this carnival and for their efforts on the day. A big thank you to our wonderful parents for providing transport and regular updates on progress throughout the day.

End of Term Assembly

The decision was made on Monday morning that due to the predicted rain and thunderstorms for Wednesday to move the End of Term assembly this afternoon. We apologise for this change and any inconvenience it may have created for parents and carers. We showcased learning from each class and our Dancers performed 'Footloose'.

Sporting Schools – Swimming

In Term 4 we have funding from Sporting Schools Australia for a swimming program. This will be held on Monday afternoons at the Orange Aquatic Centre. It will commence in Week 2 and will run for 8 weeks. There will be a small cost per student to for pool entry and bus travel. Details and a permission note will be sent home Day 1 of Week 1 next term. Please return this note and money by Friday 14 October, so we are ready to start lessons Week 2.

Term 3 Vacation

The staff at Spring Terrace Public School have worked tremendously hard this term supporting our students and providing some pretty exciting opportunities for personal growth and development. I wish our students, parents, carers, families, teachers, admin, and support staff a safe, healthy and relaxing holiday break and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 10 October for our final term of the year. Its going to be a busy one too!

Mrs Louise Lloyd
R/Principal

Weekly Awards

Student of the Week

Riley, Lawson and Tyler

Merit Award

Lilah, Lincoln and Rihanna



News from the classrooms

K/1 Classroom with Miss Hutchison

This week K/1 will be revising all the topics we have learnt throughout the term. We will be focusing on our reading skills and how to decode words within the text. I will be testing the children on their sight words as well.

In Maths, we will be looking at number combinations of 'friends of ten', 'friends of twenty' and completing revision of all the Mathematics strands we have learnt so far.

I do wish everyone a happy, relaxing, and safe holiday and look forward to seeing everyone next term.
Miss Hutchison

Year 2/3 Classroom with Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Lee

This week 2/3 will be revising their learning and participating in some reading assessments to check on their progress. They will be completing the persuasive writing unit in English and finishing off their topic on data in Maths.

Students have enjoyed exploring technology advances in History and we are excited with how most students have applied themselves to improve in their reading ability throughout the term.

We look forward to showcasing some of our work at this week's end of term assembly.

To reward the students for their hard work throughout the term we had an ice cream with Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Lee Miss Emily and Miss Paige yesterday.

Have a wonderful holiday break everyone, hopefully we will see some more sunshine and warmer weather. Remember school begins on Monday 10 October 2022. I look forward to seeing everyone's smiling faces upon our return 😊

Years 3/4/5/6 with Ms Fryda

This week our class finished the Term 3 Food Technology program. The children chose Monday's menu themselves as a celebration of completing a hardworking term. They opted to make mini pavlovas accompanied by spiders (ice cream drink) - quite the sugar fix! The class have learnt so much this term around food safety and preparation, largely thanks to our SLSO Mr Jono who has been a chef for many years. It has been wonderful to see them enjoy these practical sessions and to work so well together as a team. You can see some of yesterday's creations below.



We will also complete our History novel study this week, where we have been learning about the life of convict children and early white settlers here in Australia. The class have enjoyed exploring this time in our past and have been given numerous opportunities to consider different perspectives and empathy through history.

We look forward to End of Term assembly, where we will showcase our Food Technology project. I look forward to seeing parents and family who are able to make this time.

I wish all our families a safe and happy break and look forward to a busy and productive Term 4.

STPS News

Head Lice

Last Thursday a note was sent home advising of a case of Head Lice at school. Please continue to monitor your children's hair and treat accordingly to eliminate the spread.

School Carparking

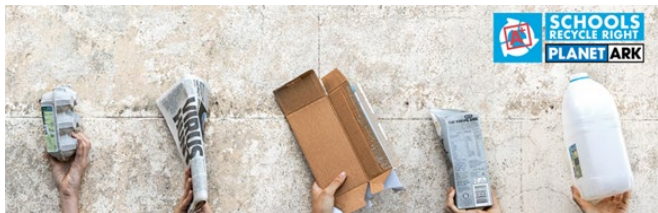
We were informed last week by a representative of Orange City Council that the bus zone sign will be moved approximately 15 metres to be in line with the school gate, which leaves enough area for the school bus to enter and exit safely whilst at the same time provide more parking for staff and parents. Please watch this space for more information about when this will occur.

Redtember Day

Don't forget, tomorrow is our crazy hair day for Redtember. Students are invited to wear casual clothes or their pyjamas instead of our red school uniform for the day and bring a gold coin donation for Ronald McDonald House Central West annual fundraiser.



Recycle Right Program



Spring Terrace Public School has registered to be part of the 2022 Planet Ark 'Recycle Right' schools' program. This involves us actively participating in a national program that focuses on educating children about the environmental benefits of recycling and how to recycle correctly.

As part of this action, we plan to run two new recycling initiatives at school that involve our wider community next term:

Lids4Kids

Throughout Term 4 we have volunteered to become a Lids4Kids Community Collection Point. This wonderful national program encourages communities to collect plastic lids that are no longer used, recycling them into new products including prosthetic limbs for children through Envision Hands.

If you would like to donate unwanted plastic lids to this worthy cause you will find a blue plastic bin in our COLA. Pop your lids (see image for those accepted) into the bin and we will deliver them at the end of term for their recycling journey.



Soft Plastics

Whilst many products these days are packaged in soft plastics, it is frustrating that regular council recycling only accepts rigid plastic items. From now on, Spring Terrace Public School will become a Soft Plastic Community Collection Point for you to drop off these unwanted products, so they do not end up in landfill.



Next term our COLA will also feature a Soft Plastic Collection Bin where families are encouraged to drop off unwanted and clean scrunchables! If you have finished with some plastic packaging that can be crunched up into a ball, please drop it off in our bin. This will also be recycled into new and valuable products. You might be interested to know that all major supermarkets also collect soft plastics – you can find these bins in Coles, Woollies, Aldi & IGA in Orange and Blayney too! or have a look at <https://www.cleanup.org.au/softplasticsrecycling>

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to chat with Mrs Cate Fryda, our School's Recycle Challenge coordinator .

Overdue Library books

Overdue notices were sent home with students last Thursday. Please look everywhere at home and in the car for these books and return them to school ASAP before the end of the week to allow the Library staff to reconcile all books prior to the holidays. Library books not returned or lost will incur an invoice next term for the replacement costs.



No Friday lunch orders this week

Due to Thursday's public holiday and Friday being the last day of Term there will be no lunch orders this week. *Don't forget to pack your lunch on Friday morning.*

P&C News

Bravo to STPS Staff and Students in the showcase last week! I was lucky enough to secure a ticket and watch the performance and it was excellent! Spring Terrace Children received an amazing applause and I think everyone was toe tapping along!

Thank you to those who are able to attend tomorrow's extra ordinary P&C Meeting, as noted above tomorrow afternoon at 3.30pm for the purpose of selecting a parent representative to participate in the selection process for a permanent appointment to the Teaching Principal position at Spring Terrace Public School.

Have a happy and safe holidays, hopefully we get some sunshine !

Bec Robinson
P&C President

Community News and Information



Grab a camera and tell us 'What's in your backyard?'

This National Biodiversity Month, Junior Landcare Ambassador Costa Georgiadis and Junior Landcare are calling on Aussie kids, schools and youth groups to grab a camera, get outdoors and capture photos of the flora and fauna in their backyard.

"Your backyard might be a garden. If you live in an apartment, your garden could be plants on your balcony. You may live near a park or bushland area, or a river or wetland. You may live on the coast close to the sea, or on a farm – these could all be your backyard," explained Costa.

Children (via their parents, carers or educators) can submit as many photos as they wish to the Junior Landcare website, under one of four themes – biodiversity, food production, First Nations perspectives and waste management – and explain to Costa why their photo is special to them.

Competition closes 31 October 2022, so get snapping to win one of nine cameras, book hampers and other great prizes, including a visit/e-meet from Costa for the winning school or youth group!

[Learn more](#)

<https://juniorlandcare.org.au/campaigns/how-enter-2022-whats-in-your-backyard-competition-costa/>



Experience a FREE Holiday Break Camp this Spring School Holidays

The NSW Government is pleased to announce a series of FREE kids camps this coming School Holidays providing relief to those communities affected by the challenges of the past couple of years.

Check out more information at

<https://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/holiday-break-camps>

An important message from BreastScreen NSW

BreastScreen NSW has resumed breast screening. Your safety is our priority.

That's why we've put extra measures in place to protect women and staff against the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

The changes we've made:



A minimal contact
check-in process



Social distancing in
clinic waiting rooms



Providing hand
sanitiser



Ongoing cleaning of
equipment and commonly
used surfaces



Precautionary
questions around
health and travel

To prepare for your appointment:



Attend your
appointment alone



Stay a safe distance
from others



Stay at home if
you are unwell



Arrive only five
minutes prior to
your appointment



Wash your
hands before your
appointment

For more information please visit breastscreen.nsw.gov.au

If you require help or further information please [call us on 13 20 50](tel:132050)

Bush Dance

— PHOTOS BY EDITHMAY GOWING —

The Spring Terrace Public school held a Bush Dance at the Bloomfield Hall on Saturday September 10th. November Shorn played for the multi generation evening. The event was a fundraiser for the school. The evening included lots of dances and prizes for the best dressed as well as raffles.



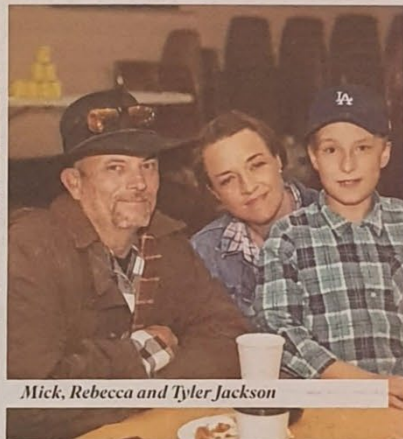
(Back) Russell, (mid) Josie and Eliza (front) Louanna Culverson



Christine Holmes, Brigitte Lund, Ben Hirst, Sandy Hirst (front) Winston and Lincoln Hirst



Emma Dauvin, Chris Morrison (front) Gideon and Daphnie Dauvin



Mick, Rebecca and Tyler Jackson



Sarah and Sandra Hanson



Edith Ringbauer, Lorette Colla, Jen and Peter Ringbauer



Marion Paul and Greg Breach

