

Spring Terrace Newsletter

Spring Terrace Public School

A Community of Confident Learners

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Term 4

Week 7

2022

What's on at STPS

Date:	Activity
28 November	Swimming Lessons
28 & 29 November	Personalised Learning and Support Plan review meetings
30 November	Wind Generation Incursion
1 December	NAIDOC Celebrations day
5 December	Final swimming lesson for the year
13 December	Annual Presentation evening
15 December	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
16 December	Last day of school for students
31 January 2023	Years 1 – 6 student return to school
	Kindergarten 2023 – Best Start Assessments
1 February 2023	Kindergartens first day of school

Messages from the Principal

Little First Aiders Program

Congratulations to students in the primary class for successfully completing the St John NSW Stage 3 *Little First Aiders* program last week. Students engaged in the program with enthusiasm and commitment. Students were awarded their completion certificates at Assembly on Friday.



Personal Learning Support Plan meetings

PLSP meetings are scheduled for Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 November which is next week. Interview times have been allocated for identified students requiring a plan review.

Best Start Assessment – Kindergarten 2023

Due to changes in the allocation of the additional Staff Development Days in 2023, the Best Start Assessment will be held on Tuesday 31 January. If you have already booked your time it will be transferred to the new date unless you advise the office otherwise. Bookings need to be confirmed no later than Friday 9 December.

Storm damage update

Department of Education Properties Officers and the Insurance Assessor attended the school last Thursday to inspect and assess the storm damage from the trees. Weather permitting, work will progressively happen to rectify fencing, the sports court surface, ground works and replacement of the garden infrastructure. During this work it may be necessary to limit access to the garden area. We will communicate with the Spring Into Growing gardeners if and when the area needs to be excluded.

Mrs Cate Fryda
A/Principal

Weekly Awards

Student of the Week

Sienna, Winston and Kaitlyn

Merit Award

Kiana, Zara and Joseph

Birthdays

Lilah and Ryan



News from the classrooms

K/1 Classroom with Miss Hutchison

What a fantastic excursion we had today. As we get closer to the end of the term a few bits and bobs will be sent home with your children. Could you please check their bags every afternoon, so they are not carrying the things back and forth to and from school.

Homework is spelling, sentence writing, two homework pages, sight words and reading. Please check with your child what fruit they would like to eat at Fruito as there are many children not eating their fruit as say they do not like what has been packed. Encouraging children to try different foods at home helps build their acceptance of new foods and means they are more likely to tolerate a different choice in their lunchboxes.

Year 2/3 Classroom with Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Lee

What a wonderful time was had today at our excursion to the Fossil and Mineral Museum in Bathurst. Standing near the T-Rex skeleton gave students the wonderful opportunity to really experience the size of a dinosaur from earlier times.

This week students in 2/3 will continue to learn about First Aid and they will be preparing for our well-earned pizza party by writing their own procedure on how to make a pizza with Mr Edwards.

They are looking forward to building their boats to complete our final experiment in our Science unit on 'forces', and will be learning about formal measurements including centimetres, metres and millimetres in Mathematics.

Keep up the hard work everyone and enjoy your time with Mr Edwards!

Years 3/4/5/6 with Ms Fryda

What a wonderful time we had today on our Fossil and Mineral Museum excursion. Everyone enjoyed the learning opportunities provided as well as some well-earned time away from the classroom.

Last week we undertook our First Aid course, which involved learning the difference between minor and major medical emergencies. Part of this meant practising when and how to put someone into a recovery position, how to administer an EpiPen and what the mnemonic DRSABCD means. Congratulations to all for an excellent effort towards earning their certificates.

As part of our *Animal Adaptations* topic in Science this term, we have been creating 'Camouflage' art. Below are some examples of our work – can you spot our hidden hands?!

This week is our final spelling homework week for the year. Next week will be a revision and consolidation week but no homework will be assigned.

A big thank you to the support our families have provided this year with ensuring homework gets completed – much improved spelling results reflect everyone's hard work in this regard!

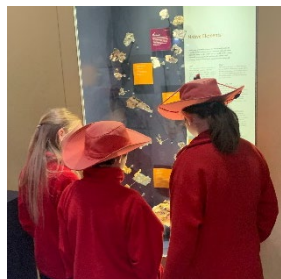
As we approach the end of the year, we have been reflecting fondly on the superb job that our senior Year 6 students have done to help lead our class and school. There will be opportunities to formally thank them at the end of term, but I wanted to take this time to pass on my heartfelt thanks. I know our current Year 5 students have been provided with excellent role models to follow and will do an equally wonderful job as our 2023 leaders.



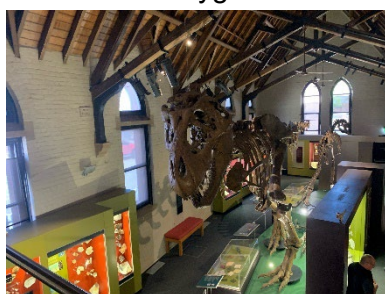
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Bathurst Excursion

Today was our excursion to the Fossil and Mineral Museum in Bathurst in the morning and a visit to the Adventure Playground for lunch. The students thoroughly enjoyed the tours of the museum and learning about different types of rock and how they evolve and change. We saw valuable gems and learnt about how mineral are in many everyday items. We saw many ancient fossils and even a dinosaur!



Next week's newsletter will have stories of our adventures of our afternoon in Bathurst exploring the Adventure Playground.



Menstrual hygiene program comes to Spring Terrace Public School

The NSW Department of Education is introducing a menstrual hygiene program in every NSW public school. As part of the program, schools will receive dispensers that provide free products for students to access during school hours.

Our menstrual hygiene program aims to reduce any barriers that may prevent students from participating fully in school life. Menstruation (and its unpredictability) may stop students from attending school or taking part in learning activities. There are also known health risks from using improvised sanitary hygiene products. The program has been successfully trialled in 31 schools, with positive feedback received from Principals and students alike. It is now time to introduce the program at our school.

Wind Generation Incursion

Iberdrola Australia staff will be visiting the school on Wednesday 30 November for the afternoon to present a Science session to our students on 'The Science of Air and Wind'. This is a free event for students to participate in and a permission note is attached to this newsletter.

Bird Nesting boxes

The school was donated bird nesting boxes some time ago. These are free to a good home where they can be placed in trees to attract birds and small gliders to nest away from predators. If you would like to take one or more and place them on your property please contact the office to arrange pick up.

P&C News

We still have vacant positions available within the P&C

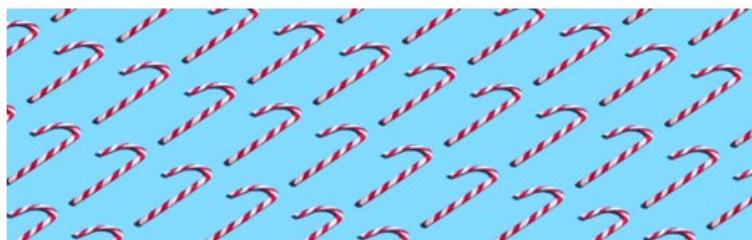
- President
- Uniforms officer / clothing pool

If you would like to know more about these roles or wish to nominate yourself please let me know.

We will be hosting the Gingerbread house making event on Wednesday 7 December in the evening under the cola weather permitting. Those who have ordered kits and wish to attend please let us know. I also have a couple of spare kits if anyone wishes to purchase them to attend or take home.

This is a lovely event for parents to catch up and relax for the evening and let their Christmas creativity run wild whilst the kids are at home!!

The P&C will be hosting a get together for families, please see details.



Please Join Us For A Family End of Year and Christmas Get Together!

Parents, grandparents, carers, kids all invited to sit back, catch up and have a drink and a few nibbles or an early dinner to celebrate making it through another year.

3 December from 4pm at Railway Hotel Springhill

(RSVP Julia 0434900226 so I can give a rough estimate of numbers to the pub)



Bec Robinson
P&C President



HAVE A BLAST

Get into Woolworths Cricket Blast
It's a fun and active program for kids of all abilities, whether it's your first time with a bat or you're a backyard Cricket star!

CNSW WWCF PROGRAM - ALL ABILITIES ORANGE
Carl Sharpe Cricket Centre, Thursday January 19 & Friday January 20, 9:00am - 12:05pm.
Angus Norton angus.norton@cricketnsw.com.au



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CHRISTMAS DROP AND SHOP

MONDAY 19TH - FRIDAY 23RD OF DECEMBER

OPEN TO SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN
GYMNASTICS, NINJA, CRAFT, GAMES
1/2 DAY MORNING 8.30AM - 1PM
1/2 DAY AFTERNOON 1PM - 5.30PM
FULL DAY 8.30AM - 5.30PM

BOOK IN ONLINE OR CALL - 63691028
www.revolutionise.com.au/cwgyim/events/161828/



Community Garden
Sunday 27th November



Braided Garlic Workshop
for kids to make as Christmas gifts.



1-3pm

Please let Julia know if you would like to come along...
Ph: 0434 900 226