



Stroud Road Public School and Community Newsletter

Monday, 9th November, 2015

REMINDERS FOR SCHOOLS DAYS

Just a reminder for parents and caregivers of days for students to pack the relevant items.

Monday: Canteen (recess and lunch)

Tuesday: Primary Biteslide (HSIE)

Wednesday: School banking, library

Thursday: Canteen (recess), guitar lessons

Friday: Homework due, sport, **recorders**, **music**

NEWS DAYS

Monday: Izzabella, Bronte, Connor, Kaiden

Tuesday: Kyan, Darcy, Indy, Zarleigh

Wednesday: Hayley E, Layla, Ben, Elijah

Thursday: Hayley FW, Nic, Raiden, Sam

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Each week staff choose 1 student who has gone above and beyond to achieve one or more of our PBL goals (respect, care, learn, share).

Congratulations to Kaiden, Zarleigh and Elijah for settling in so well to their new school. It is such a delight to have you as part of our school.



Kaiden, Zarleigh and Elijah will each receive a voucher to get an ice block or packet of chips from the canteen.

SUPER SPELLERS

Well done to Nicholas (absent), Sam, Ben, Kyan, & Hayley FW who were our super spellers on Friday, getting 100% in their spelling test.



KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

We look forward to seeing Bella, Jack, Lacey and Sam on Friday for their final day of transition.

CANBERRA PHOTOGRAPHS

If any students took photos whilst on the Canberra excursion could you please send in a copy to school? I will then put all the photos of our students onto a CD for the students to keep.

ICAS Dates

The 2016 ICAS dates are listed below.

ICAS Subject	ICAS Sitting Date
Digital Technologies	17 th May 2016
Science	31 st May 2016
Writing	13 th June – 17 th June 2016
Spelling	15 th June 2016
English	2 nd August 2016
Mathematics	16 th August 2016

If you would like your child/ren to participate in the ICAS assessments in 2016 the entry fees will be required to be paid by parents/carers.

Entry fees: Digital Technologies - \$8.50
 Science - \$8.80
 Writing - \$18.70
 Spelling - \$12.10
 English - \$8.80
 Mathematics - \$8.80

Please send your money in to school before the end of the year.

If you would like more information about the ICAS assessments please go to:

<https://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/about>

UPDATING INFORMATION

We are still waiting for some parent information sheets to be returned. Please return these ASAP.

PARENT ONLINE PAYMENTS

Go to the schools website, <http://www.stroudroad-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/> and the **\$ Make a Payment** link will be on the front page. By selecting the link you will be taken to a secure Westpac Quickweb payment page.

DEB GILBERT VISIT

Deb Gilbert will be visiting our school tomorrow to discuss teacher accreditation and also give some feedback in relation to mathematics.

e-LEARNING VIDEOCONFERENCE

On Thursday the schools in our CLN will be dialing in to an e-Learning showcase where each school will have 3 students show their Biteslide or Movie Maker projects to the students from the other schools. The videoconference will go from 11:30am-1:05pm and parents are welcome to join us.

BUSH FIRE PLAN

On Friday I will be having a meeting with Lorraine Bruce from the RFS to write our school's Bush Fire Plan. This is a mandatory plan from the DEC.

MUSICA VIVA

What a fantastic performance we had on Wednesday last week with Musica Viva. A big thank you to all the parents who were able to transport the students to and from Stroud.



MR WILLARD VISIT

It was lovely to have Mr Willard come and visit our school again on Thursday. During his visit he watched me teach a lesson (during which the primary students were amazing) and then we met to discuss our school plan, milestones, budgeting and enrolment policy.

HOT LUNCH

Thank you to Davina for hot lunch last Thursday.

CLN MEETING

We had a very productive CLN meeting on Friday where we organised the Staff Development Days for the end of the year, as well as the Mapping, Charting and Describing processes of analysing our school milestones.

NOTES DUE IN

Just a reminder to complete the following permission notes either in Skoolbag or on the paper copy sent home:

Digi Ed (Year 5 only)

Intensive Swimming

Dungog League Tag gala day

Newcastle Permanent Primary Maths Competition
 Congratulations to Ben (Distinction) and Connor (Merit) who both received certificates in the Newcastle Permanent Primary Maths Competition. Well done boys!



TERM 4

Week 6

Tuesday 10 th Nov.	Deb Gilbert visit
Thursday 12 th Nov.	e-Learning showcase VC
Friday 13 th Nov.	Last day Kinder Transition
	Lorraine Bruce visit (Bush Fire Plan)

Week 7

Monday 16 th Nov.	Barb Wright visit
	P&C meeting 3:10pm
Tuesday 17 th Nov.	Scripture session
Wednesday 18 th Nov.	Principal's Network Day (Foster)
Thursday 19 th Nov.	LAST meeting (Forster)
Friday 20 th November	Year 5/6 Digi Ed @ Stroud

Week 8

Tuesday 24 th Nov.	Dungog League Tag gala day
Thursday 16 th Nov.	Hot Lunch (Shaley)

Week 9

All week	Intensive Swimming 1:30-2:30
Monday 30 th Nov.	Combined schools meeting 4pm

Week 10

All week	Intensive Swimming 1:30-2:30
Thursday 10 th Dec	Stroud Road Presentation Night

Week 11

Monday 14 th Dec.	End of Year Fun Day
Wednesday 16 th Dec.	Last day breakfast
	Last day for students
Thursday 17 th Dec.	Staff Development Day
Friday 18 th Dec.	Staff Development Day

If there is anything you would like to discuss with me please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Crystal McGuigan
 Principal

OVER \$3,000 IN CASH & PRIZES TO BE WON

Write4fun is hosting one last writing competition for 2015 and students from ALL AROUND Australia are invited to enter their ORIGINAL poems or short stories to be in the running for the fabulous CASH and prizes on offer.

WHAT TO ENTER?

Poem
16 lines or less

Short Story
500 words or less

You can use ANY writing style and you can write on ANY topic.
*Hint: Write something that YOU love to read.

WHO CAN ENTER?

Australian school students in Prep to Grade 12. This includes ALL primary and high school, public, private, catholic, special and home school students!

WHY ENTER?

Fantastic prizes! Including \$1000 CASH (\$500 to you and \$500 to your school) and your choice of an Apple Ipad Air or Samsung Galaxy Tab or Xbox One or Playstation 4.

There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd and 15 finalists in each division (poetry and short story).

Your poem or short story will also be considered for inclusion into a Write4fun Hardcover Book!

1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners will receive a complimentary copy of the book. Those selected will have the opportunity to purchase the edition at a discounted rate. "We are very excited to be sponsoring this competition," stated Julia Woods, Managing Editor for Write4fun. "Our hope is that competitions such as these inspire students, in a fun way, to be creative with words!"

Apple Ipad Air

or

Samsung Galaxy Tab

or

Xbox One

or

Playstation 4

HOW TO ENTER?

- Enter online www.write4fun.net
- Email to enter@write4fun.net
- Mail to Write4fun, PO Box 2734, Nerang DC, QLD 4211
- Fax to (07) 55743644

OTHER IMPORTANT STUFF

Please make sure you include an EMAIL ADDRESS that you can access DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. ENTRIES CLOSE Friday 20th November 2015 at 5pm.

Happy Writing!!

Canteen Roster Term 4

16 th November	Marianne
23 rd November	Leasa
30 th November	Mel
7 th December	Shaley
14 th December	Nicole

Thank you for your assistance with the canteen. If you are not able to attend on your rostered day please arrange for a replacement.

FUNDRAISER CHOCOLATES
Boxes of chocolates still available
Just \$1.00 each



Mrs Madden
9th November



FREE Evening of Discovery

6.30pm, Monday, 9 November

Taree Old Bar Surf Club, Cnr Ungala & Old Bar Road, Old Bar

6.30pm, Tuesday, 10 November

Club Forster, 19 Strand St, Forster

Plastic and other chemicals have a huge impact on our oceans and marine life. Pollution is a major threat to the diversity of marine species in the Manning Great Lakes region including our many sea turtles and seabirds. Come along to the Marine Discovery Series presentation and learn about your local marine environment and what you can do to help save our oceans from plastic pollution.

Impacts of pollution on seabirds

Jann Gilbert, Marine Ecologist

Jann will discuss the local seabird species and how they can be impacted by plastic and other chemicals. She will explain what we can do to reduce the effects.

Marine turtles in NSW

Rochelle Ferris, Marine Biologist and former General Manager of the Australian Seabird Rescue and Marine Turtle Rehabilitation Facility

Rochelle will discuss the research she is currently undertaking with marine turtles along the NSW coastline, recording observations of species, size and behaviour as well as developing a tool for uncharted marine areas to estimate turtle population densities.



Free entry, no bookings required.

For more information please contact Brian Hughes
Phone 6551 8994 | Email brian.hughes@lils.nsw.gov.au
www.hunter.lils.nsw.gov.au



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