



Stroud Road Public School and Community Newsletter

Tuesday, 21st June 2016

REMINDERS FOR SCHOOLS DAYS

Monday: Canteen (recess and lunch)

Tuesday: Garden Club

Wednesday: School banking, library borrowing

Thursday: Canteen (recess)

Friday: Sport, recorders, music

NEWS DAYS

Monday – Jack, Izzabella, Lachlan, Darcy, Indy, Ben

Tuesday – Lucy, Hayley E, Nic, Raiden, Kaiden

Wednesday – Lacey, Bronte, Zarleigh, Connor

Thursday – Elijah, Hayley FW, Sam, Madeline, Layla

SUPER SPELLERS

Well done to Elijah, Lucy, Ben and Madeline (absent) who were our super spellers on Friday, getting 100% in their spelling test.



STUDENT 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 Jack Fisher-Webster for an improved attitude to school work.



Jack will receive a voucher to get an ice block or packet of chips from the canteen.

FUN RUN

Thank you to everyone who participated in our fun run activities on Friday and a big thank you to Mrs Melmeth for organising all the activities.

A special thank you to Janet, Davina and Kim for organising recess and lunch on Friday, it was delicious. Janet has already ordered the prizes so we are hoping to receive them early next term.







VOLUNTEER READING

If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering to come in and listen to our students read could you please see me at school. We are going to have a folder set up so people can just come when they can and are not set to a certain day or time.

GO 4 FUN

We had a very exciting Go 4 Fun session on Wednesday last week, where students received Go 4 Fun packs including a shirt, drink, bottle, bag and handball.



BRICKTHROWING PARADE

The annual Brickthrowing event is on Saturday 9th July. This year the theme is the 'Wild, Wild West'. Students will again be participating in the street parade. Time to assemble will be advised soon. If your child/ren will be participating in the street parade please start organising their 'Wild, Wild West' costume. Thank you.

HOME READING

Could all students please return their home reading diaries before Thursday. Books will be returned the same day. Many thanks.

INDIGENOUS TOTEM WORKSHOP VIDEOCONFERENCE

On Wednesday 22nd June from 2-2:40pm students will be participating in an Indigenous Totem Workshop videoconference. In this practical workshop students learn about lifestyles and beliefs of Indigenous Australians whilst creating their own totem. Concepts and culture will be demonstrated with real artefacts and Aboriginal cultural material being shown to the students. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join us for this experience.

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE VIDEOCONFERENCE

We have registered to participate in a Premier's Reading Challenge videoconference where students will meet the very cool children's author Oliver Phommavanh. Oliver will be talking about his love of reading, and his brand new book 'The Other Christy'. Oliver will discuss how he wrote his bestselling books 'Thai-Riffic' and 'Con-nerd' as well as why he loves the Premier's Reading Challenge. Oliver grew up in western Sydney and is proud to be a nerd!

Parents and caregivers are welcome to join us for this videoconference on Tuesday 28th June from 1pm to 2pm. Please note there will be a change to recess and lunch times on this day to accommodate the event.



MR WILLARD VISIT

It was lovely to have Mr Willard here on Friday to discuss all the great things about our wonderful school.

P&C MEETING

Thank you to everyone who attended the P&C meeting yesterday afternoon.

HOT LUNCH

Hot Lunch is on Thursday. For \$5 students will enjoy chicken pasta bake and a dessert. If your child would like to have hot lunch please return the money to school by Thursday.

NAIDOC DAY

We are looking forward to a great day in Dungog next Wednesday for NAIDOC Day. Don't forget to return your permission notes and sausage sizzle orders ASAP.

THE PREMIER'S SPELLING CHALLENGE



****Please see information below. If your child is interested in participating and you are willing to transport them to the locations listed in the information, please let me know before the end of the term.****

The Premier's Spelling Challenge was introduced in 2004 as a fun and educational way for primary school students to engage in spelling. The program includes activities to encourage all students to engage with spelling and to promote improved literacy in combination with the English K-6 Syllabus.

Who is eligible to compete?

The Premier's Spelling Bee is open to all NSW government primary, central and community schools. The competition comprises two divisions – Junior for Years 3&4 and Senior for Years 5&6.

Each school can enter a maximum of two students per division (i.e. a maximum of four students per school).

How much does entry cost?

There is no cost associated with the Premier's Spelling Bee.

What are the competition stages?

- School: Schools either follow official competition procedures or devise their own spelling activities to select students (a maximum of 4) to represent the school at Regional Finals.

- Regional: Regional Finals will take place between Monday 12 September and Friday 23 September (Weeks 9 – 10 Term 3).

The Premier's Spelling Bee Coordinator will advise schools of the dates and venues of Regional Finals in early Term 3.

The winner of each division of each regional final progresses to the State Final (please note: the runner-up does not)

- State: The State Final will be held on Wednesday 9 November 2016 at the Eugene Goossens Hall, ABC Centre, Ultimo.

What are the competition procedures?

- There is a demonstration round using simple words to help familiarise contestants with the competition format. No one is eliminated in this round.

- This is followed by elimination rounds of increasing difficulty.

- The announcer reads the word, then a sentence including the word, and then repeats the word again.

- Each contestant must repeat the word to the satisfaction of the announcer before they spell, and then say the word again to indicate they have finished spelling. Up until this point, contestants may self-correct if they clearly indicate that they are starting again.

- Students have 45 seconds in which to spell the word. A warning bell is rung at 30 seconds with two bells at 45 seconds to indicate the contestant's time has expired.

- Contestants may ask the announcer to repeat the word – this is included in their 45 second time limit. Any self-corrections must also be made within the time limit. At the second bell, any incomplete spelling will be taken as the contestant's final answer.

- When a student has finished spelling a word, the announcer will either state 'That is correct' or 'That is incorrect. The correct spelling is...' How is a winner determined?

- At the Regional and State Finals, the elimination process continues, round by round. To win the competition a contestant must spell more words correctly than all the other contestants.

- A contestant will only be eliminated if at least one other contestant in the same round spells their word correctly. If all contestants in a particular round misspell their words then no one is eliminated.

What are the prizes?

- All Regional Finalists receive a certificate of participation.

- Regional winners and runners up receive compact Macquarie Dictionaries.

- State Finalists receive silver medallions and a Macquarie Dictionary.

- State Champions receive gold medallions and are acknowledged with their school on a perpetual trophy.

- The schools of winners and runners up at the Regional and State Finals will receive a free school-wide subscription to Macquarie Dictionary Online.

ATTENDANCE

Please find attached to this newsletter some information for parents regarding attendance at school.

PRIMARY MUSIC INSTITUTE

Last week I received a phone call from the Primary Music Institute (PMI). They are able to offer small group and one-on-one keyboard and guitar lessons to our students using video and internet conferencing. Keyboard lessons are historically the most popular with parents and there is the option for PMI to supply the keyboards (and accessories) to help support the program starting.

About PMI instrumental lessons: "Our program was established in 1995 and we have a fantastic and unique curriculum for keyboard and acoustic guitar. Through our specially written *PMI Stars* textbooks and achievement program students are rewarded for progress with different coloured wristbands as they achieve each of the 16 levels. Lessons are 30 minutes with two lessons types, our affordable small group lessons for 2-4 students (\$15.95) or one-on-one (\$32.50)".

Further information regarding this program is attached to the newsletter. If you are interested in having your child do guitar or keyboard lessons please advise us by the end of the term.

STAGE 2 AND 3 EXCURSIONS

The Stage 2 ZooSnooze excursion is on 5th-6th September at a cost of approximately \$180 per student and the Stage 3 Bathurst/Hill End excursion is on 19th-21st October at a cost of approximately \$310 per student. If you would like to start to make payments towards the excursion/s you are welcome to do so at any time.

Week 9

Monday 20 th Jun	P&C meeting 3:10pm
Wednesday 22 nd Jun	Indigenous Totem VC 2-2:40
Thursday 23 rd Jun	Hot Lunch (Tonya)

Week 10

Tuesday 28 th Jun	PRC Author VC 1-2pm
Wednesday 29 th Jun	NAIDOC Day @ Dungog Staff meeting 3:30pm
Friday 1 st Jul	Last day Term 2

HOLIDAYS

Saturday 9 th Jul	Stroud Brickthrowing
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Term 3 calendar will be in next week's newsletter.

Go Queensland!!
Crystal McGuigan
Principal

P&C News

Canteen Roster – Term 2

27 th June	Tonya
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Thankyou for your assistance with the canteen. If you are not able to attend on your rostered day please arrange for a replacement.

UNIFORMS

If you would like to purchase any uniform items could you please send in the money with a note advising the item and size and the item will be sent home with your child or given to you.

MEETING AGENDA

Next meeting: Wednesday, 3rd August at 7pm.

Hey Everyone, Molly here, as you are aware the Brick and Pin is coming up and we have the kiosk to run.

The event is the 9th July 2016 (MIDDLE WEEKEND OF THE HOLIDAYS)

I am looking to see if there anyone is available to help out on the day to serve in the kiosk, to help Kim and I clean on the Friday and then help with the clean up on the Saturday afternoon? If you are available to help please let either Kathy or myself know so that we can appreciate your efforts even more.

Thank you

GLOUCESTER HIGH SCHOOL

TEACHER PROFILE

Teacher name: Rob Seale
Number of years teaching: 20 years
Years at Gloucester High School: 1.4 years
Faculty area: TAS- Metal Work Department
Current roles in school: Teacher
My favourite subject: Metals
Why I'm a teacher: I enjoy teaching skills
What really interest me: Ensuring our students time at school is educational but also enjoyable.
Favourite Sport or Team: Whatever team my kids are playing in.



TEACHER PROFILE

Teacher name: Rodney Sharpe
Number of years teaching: 28
Years at Gloucester High School: 4
Faculty area: Mathematics
Current roles in school: Classroom Teacher, NSW Teachers Federation Rep, Sustainability Team, School Promotions Team, Timetabler
My favourite subject: Mathematics
Why I'm a teacher: To improve student's opportunities
What really interest me: Food
Favourite Sport or Team: Penrith Panthers



TEACHER PROFILE

Teacher name: Toni Stanton
Number of years teaching: 13
Years at Gloucester High School: 11
Faculty area: PD/H/PE
Current roles in school: PD/H/PE and Community and Family Studies teacher, member of Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) team, Netball coach

My favourite subject: PD/H/PE

Why I'm a teacher: I became a teacher initially for the love of my subject matter (mainly fitness and nutrition) and I enjoy helping others to gain knowledge and skills to lead a healthy lifestyle. I have grown to enjoy working with young people, developing a rapport with students and gaining satisfaction from student achievement.



What really interest me: Family, fitness training, travel and helping students achieve their best.
Favourite Sport or Team: Rugby League

TEACHER PROFILE

Teacher name: Judith Ingram
Number of years teaching: 22
Years at Gloucester High School: 21

Faculty area: Music

Current roles in school: Music Teacher, Year 12 Adviser, Girls

Adviser, Assembly Coordinator, Staff social committee, Member of school promotion and Well

Being Teams, Coordinator of Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Collegial Leadership Network (CLN) team

My favourite subject: Music of course

Why I'm a teacher: Because I am passionate about my subject and I love the challenge of bringing Music to our students. I am also fortunate enough to teach a most creative and talented group of students. I also get instant satisfaction from my work whenever the students get up to perform at Musicals, assemblies or events throughout the area.

What really interest me: The students, music, my family.





STROUD ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL



invites your child to attend

Kindergarten Transition

Every child deserves a great start to their education so Stroud Road Public School are starting Kindergarten Transition in Term 3 2016.

During transition sessions students will be participating in a variety of activities relating to our Key Learning Areas (English, Mathematics, Science and Technology, Human Society and Its Environment, Personal Development, Health and Physical Education and Creative Arts), as well as becoming orientated with the school, playing and socialising with other students and learning daily school routines.

This opportunity will ensure your child is comfortable, confident and prepared to commence their early years of learning at Primary school.



Our first transition date will be
Monday 25th July 2016 (Week 2) 9am-11:30am.
A list of future sessions is available at your request.

If you are interested in enrolling your child to participate in this program please contact Crystal McGuigan (Principal) on 4994 5276 for further information.



The staff and students of Stroud Road Public School are looking forward to meeting our Kindergarten students for 2017.



Community News

Winter SCHOOL HOLIDAYS GLOUCESTER



ADVENTURE

Barrington Outdoor Adventures
6558 2093

Outdoor adventures for everyone.
Abseiling, kayaking mountain biking.

HORSE RIDING

Camp Cobark - 6558 5524
Riverwood Downs - 4994 7112

Trail rides - foothills of Barrington Tops

MINI GOLF

Gloucester Holiday Park
6558 1720

CHILL OUT Winter Street Fair

Saturday 23 July - 9am to 3pm

Kids Zone - Mini Jeeps - Temporary Tattoos
Slippery dip - Fairy Floss - Teen Zone - X box
Jousting - Velcro Wall - Truck




Show n Shine Boots n Beanies



HIKING

Barrington Tops & Gloucester Tops

Our region has some of the best hiking trails in NSW. Pick up maps from the Visitor Info Centre

GOLD MINE TOUR - Copeland

Discover the mysteries of NSW's longest running operational gold mine. Tours run Wednesdays & Sundays. Bookings essential - 6538 5252

for more things to do go to eventsgloucester.com.au

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