

School and Community Newsletter – Term 3 Week 10 2023

WHAT'S ON TERM 4

Week 1

Monday 9th October

Students Return

Wednesday 11th
October

Parent Tell Them from
Me Survey Closes

Week 2

Friday 20th October

Whizzy the Waterdrop
Presentation

Week 3

Wednesday 25th
October

Stage Three Canberra
Excursion

Thursday 26th October

Stage Three Canberra
Excursion

Friday 27th October

Stage Three Canberra
Excursion

Principal's Message

Wow! What a fantastic term this has been. The school has been absolutely humming and once again a huge thank you must go out to our wider school community for your wonderful support for our students.

Today we welcomed in many parents for our end of Term Three assembly. The students each received an award for outstanding effort throughout the term, as well as a gift from the school in the form of one of the shortlisted books from this year's Children's Book Council Awards. Parents were also treated to some magnificent musical and skipping performances that reminded all in attendance of our youth and the way our knees used to feel.

This week we have seen the completion of Year Six check-in assessments, providing a culmination for formal, standardised assessments for our two year Six students. They both performed admirably and should be commended on their efforts.

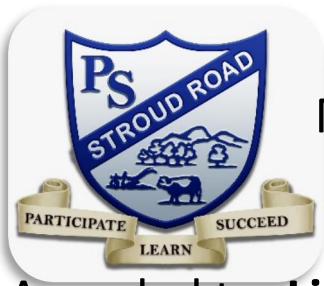
Looking ahead to next term, we have many exciting things coming up.

In Week Three, we will farewell our Stage Three students (as well as the wonderful Miss Hughes) who are off to the nation's capital for 3 days, alongside our friends from Booral, Stroud, and Stratford. The Canberra excursion is such a fantastic opportunity for our students, who will learn so much and solidify social bonds with their peers from other schools.

Term Four will also see some changes for the school and parents as well, with our transition to the SchoolBytes school management system anticipated to provide benefits to both the administrative and parent experience at the school. Term Four will also see High School transition programs heat up, as well as end of year reports and goals set for next year...all in all a very busy but exciting term ahead.

Finally, I would like to wish all our Stroud Road PS community a safe and enjoyable school holiday period. Hopefully you can enjoy some important family time together.

Mr Irwin



Mr Irwin's Student of the Week

Awarded to: **Lilly Mulligan**

Awarded For: Demonstrating an appetite for knowledge and outstanding effort in STEM lessons.



Supporting our students at home

Each fortnight, we will include some handy tips and tricks to support and complement learning at home.

Across the school, we are continuing to deepen students' understanding of place value. Here is some information on how you can help your child at home:

What is place value and why is it important?

Place value is the system we use to organise and order numbers. In our place value system, the position of a digit in a number determines its value, for example the 1 in 153 represents 100 and the 1 in 531 represents 1. We use place value to split numbers into 1s, 10s, 100s, 1000s etc. Kids need to understand place value to read, write and work with large numbers.

Place Value Cups

'Place Value Cups' is a quick game that helps kids to learn about place value. It can be played when you have a spare 5 minutes at home. All you need is a texta and some disposable cups.

1. Collect up to 12 disposable cups and label the rim of each cup with any digit between 0 and 9
2. Spread the cups out on a table or the ground
3. Players quickly grab 2 to 5 cups each and stack them (less cups is suitable for younger kids and more cups is suitable for older kids)
4. The first player to read the 2 to 5 digit number on their stack wins!



Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun



Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per **fortnight** = **4** weeks  = Over **1** year missed



1 day per **week** = **8** weeks  = Over **2.5** years missed



Stroud Road Public School Attendance Target – 95%

Good for Kids Good for Life

Corn, spinach & haloumi fritters **Serves:** 6.

Ingredients: 1 tbsp olive oil

100g baby spinach leaves

1 shallot thinly sliced.

3/4 cup corn kernels, drained

1 cup wholemeal plain flour

1/3 cup self-raising flour.

1/2 cup skim milk

2 eggs, lightly beaten.

125g haloumi, grated.

1/2 cup shredded light tasty cheese.

60mL cooking oil.

1/2 cup reduced fat natural yoghurt



Method: 1. Heat olive oil in large frying pan, Add shallot and cook for 1 minute. Add spinach and cook until spinach wilts. Stir in corn. Remove from heat. Cool.

2. Combine the flours in a medium bowl. Make a well in the centre. Mix milk and eggs together in a jug. Add egg mixture to flour, Mix until smooth.

3. Stir the haloumi, tasty cheese and cooled spinach mixture into batter until combined.

4. Heat 1 tbsp cooking oil in fry pan over medium heat. Using 1/4 cup mixture per fritter, cook 4 fritters for 2-3 minutes each side or until golden and cooked through.

5. Transfer fritters to a plate. Repeat with remaining oil and batter. Serve cold or warm with yoghurt.

Sourced from Healthy Kids Association

Mr Irwin's Riddle of the Week



Take one out and scratch my head I am now black but once was red.
What am I?