

Semester 1 2018

Term 2 Week 8

7/6/2018



Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Be Resilient

Be a Learner



STANTHORPE STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# The Belltower

Our Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support Mission Statement:

The Stanthorpe State Primary School community always strives for higher things by ensuring everyone has the right to learn and the right to teach in a safe and supportive environment.

## A Message from Mrs Pozzi



### NAPLAN

I was so impressed with the way the Year 3 and Year 5 students conducted themselves throughout NAPLAN week. They demonstrated high levels of resilience and worked so hard to show what they know and can do, well done!

A special thank you to the wonderful P&C for the student survival packs. The students thoroughly enjoyed these and the Smiggles colour change pencils were a special touch. I was almost prepared to sit NAPLAN for one of these pencils.

A review of NAPLAN is currently underway focusing on its role in meeting the needs of Queensland students, parents and schools. Parents and caregivers are invited to provide their feedback via the [online survey](http://sgiz.mobi/s3/NAPLAN-2018) (at <http://sgiz.mobi/s3/NAPLAN-2018>).

### Year 6 Camp

The Year 6 students are back from their Tallebudgera camp and report they had an amazing time. They were challenged in ways they never expected and met those challenges in ways they never expected. All students acknowledged how amazing the camp was.

Can I encourage current Year 5 students' parents to commence fundraising for 2019. Please make contact with Jenny Whitaker if you are interested in getting this ball rolling. The more money raised, the less families will need to find next year.

### Stanthorpe Spring Stampede

Planning is underway for a 'fun run' in September this year. Our aim is to hold a 5km fun along Quart Pot Creek. We would love you to join us for either a competitive run or a leisurely stroll. For those who enjoy running a little further we are planning a 10km run as well. We hope to see lots of people at this event, not only for fundraising purposes, but for community engagement and engagement with healthy lifestyle practices. This is our first year of running such an event and we hope it becomes part of our annual calendar!

### Eisteddfod

2018 was the first time our school had competition in the mime section of the eisteddfod. I am pleased to report that our school won this event. Miss Radunz and staff are so proud of the crew that won this award. Our school also received the Stanthorpe & District Choral Society Trophy for aggregate points, having the overall highest points in the primary choir sections. Also for the first time, some of our string instrumental students entered in the solos sections, and they came away with a first and second place! Other notable successes were the recorder ensemble and the string ensemble, who both also earned first places in their sections.

These prizes are a terrific accolade for our thriving arts program, and a tribute to the hard work and dedication shown at morning and lunch-time rehearsals by students. Congratulations to all students who participated, and to their teachers, Miss Radunz and Mrs Andersen, on your successes.

### Preps 2019

I enjoyed meeting many excited children during Prep Enrolment week recently. Mums, dads and carers, if you have a little one who will be turning five before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 they are ready for Prep next year. Please ring the office or call in to pick up an enrolment form.



#### It's easy to keep in touch with what's happening at school

Download the **QSchools** App for all the latest news and events info straight from our website, [www.stanthorpess.eq.edu.au](http://www.stanthorpess.eq.edu.au). QSchools also has our events calendar and newsletters online.

Like us on **Facebook**, 'Stanthorpe State School', for news and reminders about daily happenings.

Make sure we have your current email address to receive our weekly e-news. All notes sent home during the week are included in our weekly e-news—it's the easiest way to stay up to date with what's happening at school.



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## Welcome to new students and their families...

Ebonnie (5/6NS) and Talissa (3/4KL) Spittles  
Gabriella Cannavo (3/4KL)

## Eisteddfod Results

### Drama Sections

Primary Schools Prepared Mime Group - First place on 89/100



Congratulations Brianna Newley, Taylah Gilbert, Mekayla Rickard, Ulea Elings, Lillian Tapscott and Hayley Daniells.

### Choir Sections

Primary Schools Hymn or Sacred Song Choir - First Place 85/100

Primary Schools Folk Singing Choir - First Place 80/100

Primary Schools Choral Contest Choir - 86/100 Second Place

And the big one, the Stanthorpe & District Choral Society Trophy!

## A BIG Week in the Arts

What a week for the Arts program last week! Many of our students were performing in choirs, instrumental ensembles, and drama groups at the Border Districts Eisteddfod, whilst a number of our students joined the Southern Downs Big Band and Choir in heading off to 'Big Band Blast' in Port Macquarie, NSW. All participants returned with great reports on their performances, and are richer for their experiences.



Brianna, Ella, Ulea, Hayley and Courtney at Big Band Blast



A jubilant choir after their wins.

### Instrumental Music Sections

Primary Schools Recorder, Woodwind or Keyboard Group (Schools with more than 100 pupils) - First Place 80/100

Congratulations Recorder Ensemble: Taylah Gilbert, Jessie Lee James, Victoria Morison and Hannah Hamilton

Instrumental Group - Bands, orchestra, string ensembles, etc - Primary - First Place

Congratulations Stanthorpe State School String Ensemble (they played brilliantly!).

Instrumental Duets - 11 years & Under - Highly Commended for String Duet

Congratulations Meradith Alldridge, Ashley Bell  
String Solos—First Place to Dougal Toms, and 2nd place to Layla Bonner.

Congratulations also to Victoria, Isobella and Rhani for performing solos for the first time.

Small Instrumental Group - (Primary) - Highly Commended for String Trio

Congratulations Layla Bonner, Georgia Wood and



String ensemble finish with a flourish

## Important Dates

Warwick Instrumental Music Camp	Tuesday 19 - Thursday 21/6
Last Day of Term	Friday 29/6
School Holidays	30/6—15/7
First Day of Term 3	Monday 16/7

## From the Office...

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- ◆ **The Lost Property Cupboard is full of jumpers.** If items are named, they can be returned directly to the owner. Un-named items end up in the lost property cupboard, located in the office, just inside the back door. If you are missing items, feel free to come in and check the lost property cupboard at any time. At the end of every term, all remaining items are donated to a charity bin. Please label all hats, jumpers, and tracksuit pants so they can be returned to their owner.
- ◆ **Report cards will be emailed in the last week of Term 2.** If you have changed your email address, please advise the office (admin@stanthorpe.eq.edu.au) of your updated address. A test email will be sent to all email addresses on Monday 11/6/18. If you do not receive this email, you will not receive a report card.
- ◆ **QParents app now available to all.** QParents is an Education Qld initiative that allows parents and carers to interact directly to OneSchool (our school management system) via your smartphone. The QParents app enables you to advise of absences, view and pay invoices, update your contact details, and more. Some of our families have been trialling the app this year and have given it the 'thumbs up'. Contact the office if you'd like to make your life easier with QParents.

## P&C News

A big 'Thank You' to all the students who made thoughtful thank you notes and cards for the NAPLAN Survival kits—very appreciated!

**Hot Milo available at tuckshop, for \$2**  
A welcome addition to the winter menu!

**Thanks to Foxy's Bakery, CDS, and Granite Belt Honey for welcome donations to Brekky Club.** We have plenty of bread and honey, but we could still use donations of butter/margarine and vegemite. Please pass on your thanks next time you visit Foxy's Bakery, or purchase Granite Belt Honey.

**Volunteers needed at Brekky Club & Tuckshop.** If you have 15 mins spare after morning drop-off, please consider volunteering in Brekky Club. Both Brekky Club and tuckshop could always do with more volunteers, so our regular, hard-working volunteers can have a day off every now and then. Experience with operating a toaster and buttering bread are the only qualifications required.

