

Semester 1 2016

Term 1 Week 2

5/2/2016



Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Be Resilient

Be a Learner



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



A Great Start to the School year

Well done to all families for preparing your children for the commencement of the school year. I have a few notes below to help maintain a calm school environment:

- Absent students - it is very important that you help us keep track of children's attendance. If your child is away, please ring the school absence line on 4681 5160, and leave a message stating your child's name, class, reason for absence and when you think they may be back at school.
- Arriving at school – your child will be supervised from 8:15am Monday to Friday in the quadrangle. There is **NO SUPERVISION before 8:15am**, we cannot ensure your child is safe before 8:15am.
- Bus children – if your child catches a bus to and / or from school and there is a change to the normal routine, please **call the office** on 4681 5111 to let us know.
- New chaplain – we have a new Chaplain starting with us on 23rd Feb. He is also a qualified teacher. The Chaplain will be working with us Tuesday, Thursday & Friday each week. **Please note that Breakfast Club will not start up again until March.**

Prep 2017

We are taking enrolments already for Prep 2017 so you can avoid the end of year rush. If your child is born between 01/07/2011 – 30/06/2012 he / she is the correct age to enrol for prep in 2017. Give us a call in the office to make an appointment to meet with the principal to discuss your child's needs. Don't forget to make sure you have a copy of your child's birth certificate for enrolment in Prep. Call Jenny Whitaker on 4681 5111.

Classes for 2016

Prep JM – Mrs Mann
Prep RB – Mrs Berrios

1/2 JV – Miss Vetter/Mrs Finlay (Friday)
1/2 JS – Miss Smith
1/2 MC – Mrs Contarino/Mrs Finlay (Monday)
1/2 NG – Mrs Green

3/4 SD – Mrs Draheim
3/4 DH – Miss Heading
3/4 RB – Miss Baker

4/5 IC – Mr Crawford/Mr McGahey
(Wednesday)

5/6 MT – Mrs Tulloch
5/6 LS – Mrs Staley
5/6 SC – Mr Calder

Important Dates

Tuckshop Re-opens	Wed 10/2
Senior Leader Induction Ceremony	Thurs 3/3
Granite Belt Swim Trials	Thurs 10/3
P&C AGM	Wed 2/3
Senior Leader Induction Ceremony	Thurs 3/3
Term 1 ends	Thurs 24/3

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



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STANTHORPE STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Belltower

Introducing...

Miss Baker and Mr Calder



Miss Rebecca Baker comes to Stanthorpe State School as our new year 3/4 teacher. Miss Baker is a recent university graduate, and has moved to Stanthorpe from Caboolture. She is very highly thought of in her home community, being awarded 2016 'Young Australian of the Year' for Moreton Bay!

Mr Simon Calder is originally from Staffordshire, England, and has spent the last five years teaching in Doomadgee, a remote aboriginal community in north west Qld. He's a keen soccer, cricket, and NRL Rabbitohs follower, and brings a wealth of teaching experience to year his year 5/6 class.

Stanthorpe Show Art Winners

The Stanthorpe Show Society was impressed with Stanthorpe State School's entries in the Junior Art section this year. We had the highest number of art entries in the district, and they said



that the "...children did the school proud."

Two of our students did themselves very proud, winning cash prizes for their entries: Ashley Bell came 1st and Taleah Daniells came 3rd in their age groups.

Music Program News

Mr Spiller's strings program, for years 3 – 6, still has instruments available. If your student would like to learn to play a violin, cello or double bass, come and speak with Mr Spiller who is available Monday mornings before school, or Tuesday at lunch.

Morning rehearsals have commenced:

- **Mr E's Band practise** is on Wednesday mornings, commencing 7:45am.
- **Boys Choir** (years 3-6) – Thursdays, from 8:15 (bus students welcome to join as soon as they arrive).
- **Girls Choir** (Years 3-6) – Tuesdays, from 8:15 (bus students welcome to join as soon as they arrive).
- **Recorder Group** (year 5&6) – Wednesday, from 8:15 (Mr E's band students welcome to join from

Local Sport Sign-ons

Tennis – Friday mornings before school in the stadium, from 8am. \$66 for 6 week Cardio program, includes a T-shirt. Contact coach, Tom Farrel to sign-up - tom-farrell1942@hotmail.com.au or 0421449257.

AFL AusKick – Friday afternoons on the Connor Street Oval, from 3:30 – 4:30pm. Sign-up online at www.aflauskick.com.au

Softball - Sign on for Softball in the Piazza in town from 9 am to 11:30. \$30 for primary students, with games and training

P&C News

P&C Volunteer training is on Monday 8/2 at 9:30 am in the library, for anyone who wishes to volunteer for the P&C this year. The training is delivered by Mrs Pozzi, takes about 1 hour, and covers Education Qld's Code of Conduct and Student Protection. It is not compulsory for parents, but you may find it helpful if you are new to school.

Apple & GrapeFloat

With only 1 month to go until the Apple & Grape Festival, it's time to get our float for the parade finalised! We have some great ideas for the "When in Rome..." theme that we are working on at school. If you would like to be involved in the float preparation, please leave your name at the office.

Tuckshop starts next week, Wednesday 10/2. Our coordinator, Sheryn Bannon, has sadly resigned. We thank Sheryn for all the hours she put into our Tuckshop last year. We have some lovely new volunteers this year, and if you would like to be a part of it, please contact the office.

P&C AGM is next month, Wednesday 2nd March. All welcome! We would love to see some new faces at our P&C meetings, to bring fresh ideas for making our school even better.

CommBank's School Banking program is offered in our school and managed by our P&C. The program makes saving fun, with rewards and activities along the way. There are info packs in the office for anyone interested in joining the program.

From the Office...

admin@stanthorpess.eq.edu.au or
Phone 4681 5111

◆ **Religious Education (RE) starts Tuesday 9/2.** All students from years 1-6 can participate in a fun, 30min, weekly program delivered by trained volunteers. There are 2 options: Catholic, delivered by St Joseph's Parish; or Ecumenical (non-denominational Christian) delivered by Granite Belt combined churches (Anglican, Uniting, etc). If parents have already indicated on enrolment that their child is one of these religions, they will automatically participate in RE. If you have not nominated a religion, or would like your child to participate in either class, please advise the office.

◆ **Has or your address or phone number changed over the holidays?** Don't forget to update your contact details with the office.

◆ **Transport arrangements for your students:** Parents please ensure the office has your students current transport arrangements on record. If your transport arrangements change, please ensure you advise the office with a quick phone call so bus rolls can be updated.

◆ **Our cleaners need plastic grocery bags,** so if you have a cupboard full of them, we are happy to put them to good use!

◆ **Parents of Prep's and Year 1's:** If you would like your child included in the *Warwick Daily News* "Making the Grade" publication, make sure you return your photo consent form ASAP.