

Semester 1 2016

Term 2 Week 3

28/4/2016



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



ANZAC DAY

I would like to thank all the students who participated in the ANZAC Day march. It means a lot to the people who served this country and to the Stanthorpe community.

The morning of ANZAC Day was not a pleasant day with lots of wind and drizzling rain, however the rain stopped and the wind remained, and despite the cooler morning and wind many students and staff marched.

By marching you showed respect to the men and women who have served our country. They left their families behind, in the past and in the present, to ensure Australia continues to be a safe and happy country to live. They give a lot of their lives and the least we can do is pay our respect but once a year.

The men and women in the defence forces, who have served our country are true examples of Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be a Learner and Be Resilient. Let's show our returned service people we can be all those things too.

Thank you to the school and house captains who showed their respect to Captain Cameron from the Navy. He was pleasantly surprised when you removed your hat and looked his way whilst you were marching. This would have made him a very proud man, one that is proud to have young Australians like you to defend.

Again, thank you students and staff for all your support on such a special day. You made me proud.

Written reports will be completed this term. These are provided to families in the last week of term. This year we are moving towards electronic distribution of the report cards, via email. Over the next few weeks Mrs Whitaker will be ensuring that all emails are working. If you would like to update your email address, please contact the office.

Term 2 can be challenging, given that it is a long term. An eleven week term can prove difficult for students, but throw in shorter day light hours and cooler weather and you have a recipe for mayhem. The good news is you can help the students (and you) build resilience using the following strategies:

- Stick to your normal routine
- Get plenty of rest
- Eat a healthy breakfast and pack a healthy lunch
- Pack warm clothes for school (and please don't forget to label/name all jumpers/ track pants)
- Come to school every day, even when a hot chocolate in front of the fire appears more enticing
- Get plenty of exercise
- Enjoy the outdoors

All the very best, and remember we know it's hard, but the effort is worth it.

Important Dates

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| Life Education Van Visits | Thursday 28/4 – Friday 6/5 |
| Year 6 Camp Fundraising Chocolate Drive Finishes | Friday 29/4 |
| Southern Downs Big Band Rehearsal—Inglewood | Saturday 30/4 |
| P&C Meeting | Wednesday 4/5 |
| P&C Mothers Day Stall | Thursday 5/5 |
| Granite Belt Zone Cross Country | Thursday 5/5 |
| Generations in Jazz, Mt Gambier Tour Departs | Friday 6/5 |
| NAPLAN | 10–13/5 |

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THE JUNIOR BELL

Featuring stories written by the Student Newsletter Team

ANZAC Day

By Nikita Rickard and Libby Neville

Monday the 25th of April was Anzac Day. Anzac day is one of Australia's most important national commemorative occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian New Zealand forces during the First World War.

The Anzac Day March was held at 10:30 where our school marched with the community to Weroona Park. Our students who attended represented our school with pride.



Cross Country & Fun Run

By Josh Matthews & Kieran Kemp

On Tuesday the 12th April Stanthorpe State Primary school had their fun run and cross country. The day began at 9:00 where the year 4 to 6 students had their cross country. They ran around the cemetery and high school as part of their run. Everyone tried really hard and had a great morning.

At 11:45 the younger students in Prep to year 3 had their fun run where they did an obstacle course around the bottom oval.

At 12:00 the presentations went on in the stadium and the winning team was Kingfisher with over 400 points.

Winners of the girls 3km event



Healthy Harold is Here!



Students were excited to see the Life Ed. Van arrive at our school this week. Life Education is a national program, aimed at empowering children and young people to make safer and healthier choices through education. The student-focused education program covers health, smoking, drugs, nutrition, exercise, cybersafety and more.

The specially trained educator, with help from Healthy Harold the giraffe, ensures that all messages are age-appropriate, relevant, and enhance and support the messages taught in school. Each class will have at least one lesson in the Life Ed Van while it is here with us this week. Ask your student what they learned from Healthy Harold!



Mother's Day Stall

Thursday May 5th
Gifts for the special person in your life!
From \$2 up to \$10



Mrs Pozzi and students out on the track



Triumphant Kingfisher captains accept the first sports trophy of the year

Welcome to new students and their families...

Payten Hill 1/2MC
Jett 3/4 DH & Jye 1/2MC Leisemann
Georgia Lindner 1/2JV

Sporting Success



Congratulations to all students who put themselves forward and trialled for inclusion in Granite Belt Zone representative teams. Congratulations to the following students on gaining selection:

Netball: Aliesha Rogers, Brooklyn Favero
Soccer (Girls): Almari Botha, Brooklyn Favero, Megan Jones, Melanie Reedy
Soccer (Boys): Beau Bannon, Byron Whitaker, Harry Whitaker.

Our netball players travelled to the Darling Downs trials recently, and faced a tough day of competition. Best of luck to our soccer players at DD selection trials next week.

Music News

SSPS Instrumental Music students will be busy rehearsing for upcoming concerts, travelling as far afield as Mt Gambier in South Australia!

Mr Bruce Eddiehausen, our band teacher, is entering the Southern Downs Big Band in the 'Generations in Jazz', a 3-day jazz music festival organised by Jazz great James Morrison for school music students.

Nine of our year 5 and 6 students will fly to Mt Gambier next Friday, along with students from across the region who make up the Southern Downs Big Band. Not only will students perform at the festival, they will also get to see some of Australia's best school bands perform, and attend a concert featuring James Morrison and Cate Ceberano.

Mr Spiller, our strings teacher, is taking our string ensemble to perform in 'Fanfare' next month, on Friday 20th May. 'Fanfare' is a bi-annual event, an Education Qld initiative event in which student bands and ensembles compete for awards.

Good luck to all of our performers!

P&C News



- **Mother's Day Stall needs volunteers.** If you would like to volunteer to help the children choose a gift in the comfort of the library, please add your name to the roster at the office.
- **Year 6 camp chocolate drive.** All chocolates (sold or unsold) are due back at school.
- **Next P&C Meeting Wednesday 4th May, 6:45pm** in the Library.