

Semester 2 2016

Term 3 Week 2

22/7/2016



Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Be Resilient



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.

STANTHORPE STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# The Belltower

## A Message from Mrs Pozzi



**Welcome back to term 3!** Our students have hit the ground running, literally, running, jumping and throwing in preparation for the annual school Athletics Carnival. All the practise will culminate in a two day carnival on 3rd and 4th August, with field events (long jump, high jump, shot put, discus) for children ages 9-12 on 3rd August, and track events (running) for the whole school on Thursday 4th August. Parents are all welcome to come along and make a day of it. Good luck to all the athletes and may the best team win.

### The Arts—Dance

Students have thoroughly enjoyed the change in The Arts program this term. All children from prep to year six have commenced the Dance Program, which is aligned to the Australian Curriculum – The Arts – Dance. Mrs McMahon, our illustrious music teacher, accepted the challenge of teaching dance is enjoying the high level of energy and engagement of the students. It's been very rewarding to see all students thoroughly enjoying their dance sessions.

### Book Fair

As we move through the school from the classroom into the library we celebrate a mammoth achievement at our Bookfair. With over \$6000 worth of books sold, our school acquired books to the value of \$2000 from the commission. Thank you to everyone who supported this event. Our library will be full to over-flowing with new books.

### School Opinion Survey

Thanks to the families who have completed the 2016 School Opinion Survey. There is still time to complete the survey if you have not yet done so. The information collected is used to provide a better learning environment for your child, so it is very important for all families to take 10 mins to complete the survey.

If you have lost the blue letter with your code (required to access the survey), please come into the office to get a new copy. Survey responses are anonymous, and strictly confidential.

### Prep 2017

I have enjoyed meeting our new preppers for 2017 in their enrolment interviews, and look forward to meeting many more. If your child was born 1st July 2011 to 30th June 2012, they are eligible to enrol for Prep for 2017. Please call Mrs Whitaker in our office on 4681 5111 to book your enrolment meeting if you have not done so already.

### Important Dates

|                                      |                      |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Year 6 Camp                          | 25–29 July           |
| ICAS English Test                    | Tuesday 2nd          |
| SSPS Athletics Carnival              | 3 & 4 August         |
| P&C Meeting                          | Wednesday 3rd August |
| Jeans for Genes Day                  | Friday 5th August    |
| ICAS Maths Test                      | Tuesday 16th August  |
| Granite Belt Zone Athletics Carnival | 18 August            |

### 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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## Musical Success

24 of our beginner instrumental music students attended a 3 day music camp in Warwick at the end of last term. The camp brought together students from across the Darling Downs South West for 3 days of tuition, finishing with a concert for parents. Congratulations to Lilly Lingard-Binney and Taleah Daniells on being awarded 'Best at Camp' for strings and brass respectively.

Taleah presented with her medal by Mayor Dobie; Lilly and Taleah awarded 'Best at Camp' for strings & brass



## Sporting Success

Congratulations to SSPS Soccer Team 1, who played in the final of the Granite Belt Soccer Competition. SSPS Team 1 won the town competition, against St Joseph's and SSPS Team 2, earning them a place in the final against Ballandean State School, the winner of the country schools competition.

Today SSPS Team 1 surprised themselves when they defeated Ballandean 7-2. A great team effort from all the boys, the result of many hours of lunch-time play!

SSPS Team 1, captained by Harry Whitaker

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

Beau Atkins 5/6LS  
Brooke Atkins-Mueller 1/2JV  
Julian Silvester 3/4SD

## National Collection of Data on Students with a Disability

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

All Australian schools participate in this annual data collection.

The data provided to the Australian Government is aggregated data only. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, **if you do not wish for your child's details to be included, or have any enquiries, please contact our office directly.**

For more information go to <http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html> and <http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

## Let's Dance!

Introduction of Dance in the arts curriculum has been very well received by students this term. Mrs McMahon is learning some new skills, and is teaching students Hip Hop! Even the students who were nervous about commencing the dance curriculum have fully embraced it, with all classes actively engaged and thoroughly enjoying their dance classes.

1/2NG enjoying dance classes



## P&C News

- **Tuckshop needs volunteers!** We had a number of new volunteers at the start of the year—it was great to see some new faces. The numbers of volunteers have dropped off since, and there are again a small number of volunteers spending a lot of hours in tuckshop. If you can spare even 30 mins, it will help in busy times. Please consider volunteering, and return the attached letter with your availability.
- **Next P&C Meeting Wednesday 3rd August, 6:45pm** in the Library.

