

Semester 2 2016

Term 4 Week 5

4/10/2016



Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Be Resilient



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



Prep Open Morning

Come meet our prep teachers for 2017 on Thursday, 17th November at 9:15am. Mrs Berrios and Ms Mann will run a 'get to know' you morning, with lots of fun things to do. Parents will attend with their child/ren. Families will meet the teacher for 2017 and booklist lists will be handed out.

2017 School Year

Planning for 2017 classes is well underway. Don't forget to let us know if there is something for us to consider as we compile the class lists for next year. Just write us a note and send it to the office.

Special Visitors

On Wednesday, 2nd November I invited Cr Pennisi, Pastor Greening and Dr Halliday to visit our school. During their visit they presented ICAS awards, learnt about our Fab Four (Positive Behaviour for Learning) and watched some of the year 1/2 students work on coding with mini robotic toys.

It was a lovely morning had by all and it was refreshing to hear that one of the visitors noted that how lovely it was to see the passion for education in our school.

We look forward to inviting more visitors to our school in order to share the positive Stanthorpe State School experience.

Fab Four

As we navigate our way through term 4 the children are becoming tired. As an adult you would appreciate that when we are tired we become less resilient and sometimes less responsible.

Our focus for the rest of the term is Be Resilient and Be Responsible. Some of the behaviours we have been and will be concentrating on this term are –

Be Responsible	All Areas	Make good choices
Be Responsible	All Areas	Be in the right place at the right time
Be Responsible	Classroom	Think for yourself
Be Responsible	All areas	Do your best
Be Resilient	Classroom	Challenge yourself
Be Resilient	Play areas	Accept feedback
Be Resilient	All areas	Focus on your behaviour

Brekky Club

I cannot thank Mrs Elings enough for being the driving force behind the Brekky Club being operational in Chappy Cel's absence and increasing the number of days Brekky Club is open. Also, a big thank you to the lovely mums who are helping Mrs Elings cook toast and prepare the milo.

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THE JUNIOR BELL

Featuring stories written by the Student Newsletter Team

Year 5/6 Leadership Day

By Libby Neville and Nikita Rickard

On Monday the 24th October, the year 5's and 6's had leadership day. We all had a lot of fun, playing leadership games in teams. Two people came to the school and they taught us that anyone can be a leader and you don't need a badge to be a leader. We learnt there are three types of leaders, - planner, people and profit—and we learnt which type of leader we are.

We asked some students what they thought about leadership day: "I thought it was great because I got to play games with my friends.", said Amellia.

"I liked the 'Keep it Up' and game, where our team had to hold a ball and move around the stadium without using our hands", said Nikita.

Nikita and her team playing 'Keep it Up'



Aaron coaching a blindfolded Melanie.

Day for Daniel

By Chenel Doorley and Shivanii Hume

On the 28th of October 2016, our school participated in Day for Daniel, and everyone in our school wore red.

Day for Daniel is a day where we remember the importance of children's safety and the Day for Daniel motto 'recognise, react and report'.

"It is about educating children and adults about keeping kids safe through child safety and protection initiatives. It aims to help empower our children to **Recognise, React and Report** if they feel something is not right. Wear Red and Educate is the theme for Day for Daniel as we strive to have schools, kindergartens, businesses and communities across Australia take action and conduct child safety activities in their local communities to help in Keeping Kids Safe" (www.dayfordaniel.com.au).

This year was the 12th annual Day for Daniel.

What does RECOGNISE, REACT and REPORT mean?

RECOGNISE encourages students to be aware of their surroundings and to recognise body clues in situations where they don't feel safe. **REACT** helps students to consider choices that may keep them safe or help make them safe again as quickly as possible. **REPORT** encourages students to report unsafe incidents to an adult.



Year 6 Camp 2017

By Libby Neville and Nikita Rickard



Next year our current year five students will be going on camp to Tallebudgera in May. They will be on camp for 5 days and 4 nights. The students will stay at Tallebudgera in cabins with a maximum of 4 other people. They will choose a cabin buddy to stay with at camp.

At Tallebudgera, students will play games, learn and have a lot of fun along the way. They will do a lot of fun activity's like canoeing, swimming and a lot of other fun things. The students have a different meal for every morning, lunch and dinner. It will be a great experience for the students.

Note: fundraising starts this term, with \$1 ice-cream days on Thursday 24/11 & 1/12.

Important Dates

Granite Belt Chess Comp	Fri 4, 18,25/11
Solos Concert	Sat 5/11
Combined Schools Concert, Warwick	Mon 7/11
Year 6 Extended Learning Program (2-day 'camp')	Thurs, Fri 10,11/11
School Captains 2017 Speeches	Wed 16/11
Prep Open Day	Thurs 17/11
AMEB Music Examinations	Fri 18/11
Awards Night	Wed 30/11
Swimming Carnival (9-13yrs)	Fri 2/12
Fun in the Sun (5-8yrs)	Tues 6/12
Year 6 at High School	Tues 6/12
Year 6 Graduation	Wed 7/12
Xmas Carols	Wed 7/12

Prep and Year 2 Transition

From one school year to the next, the biggest transitions occur for our preps and year 2's. Prep's move over to 'big school' for year 1, and our Year 2's join the senior school when they move on to Year 3.

Our year 5 and 6 students have been helping with the transition by volunteering to 'buddy' the preps and year 2's in the playground, making sure they are comfortable and showing them how to get the most out of their new play environments.

From Week 6, preps will be coming to big school every big lunch to eat and play, so they will be very comfortable in the junior school when they start year 1 in 2017.

Instrumental Music Concerts

Our students are excited to be performing their solos for family and friends at the solo's concert on Saturday afternoon in the School Library, from 3:30pm. The 'Solos Concert' is our annual instrumental program fundraiser, at \$25 for a family ticket which includes Golden Grove wines and a cheese platter— all welcome! If you are interested in joining the program in 2017, it's a great way to come and see just what can be achieved by our students.

Our string ensemble and the Southern Downs Big Band are then performing on Monday night at the 'Combined Schools Concert' on Monday evening at Warwick West State School—good luck to all of our performers.

Brekky Club Trial—5 Days!

Thanks to a group of enthusiastic parent volunteers, led by the fabulous Mrs Lisa Elings, our Brekky Club will be open every day on a trial basis for the rest of the year!

Brekky Club is funded totally by donations and community generosity. It's available free to all students who may need a brekky top-up, or just a social cup of milo. Parents can support Brekky Club via donations of bread, milk, or your student's favourite toast spread, even cereal or fresh fruit. We would love to be able to fund Brekky Club to stay open every day—let's all get behind it!