

Semester 2 2016

Term 3 Week 8

2/9/2016



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.

A Message from Mrs Pozzi



Transitioning for Preps and Year 6

It is already that time of year when we start transitioning to the next school year. Our littlest learners, our preppies, are starting their transition to year 1 with getting to know their big sister/brother as part of the 'Prep Buddy' program. A Prep Buddy is a senior student who has volunteered to help our preppies in the playground when they start spending their lunch-time play over at 'the big school' next term. It is a big step, but a step more easily taken with a big brother or big sister to hold your hand.

Our Year 6 students have started their transition to High School, with a visit from Mrs Jo Marcus, Stanthorpe State High School's Year 7 Coordinator. Mrs Marcus presented students with the SSHS enrolment pack, and an invitation to attend the information night next week. Year 6 students visited the High School campus this week for the judging of the annual Spaghetti Bridges competition, and were impressed with the facilities.

Prep classes are filling fast with new enrolments for 2017. If your child was born 1st July 2011 to 30th June 2012 and have not yet enrolled for Prep in 2017, please call Mrs Whitaker on 4681 5111 to book an enrolment interview.

Father's Day Reading Day



A special morning was had by all at our annual Father's Day Reading Day today. It was wonderful to see so many dads, grandfathers, and special visitors at our school.

The entertainment was provided by our school and house captains with an engaging performance of 'The Three Little Bush Pigs', followed by a Fathers Day rap performed by Chenel Doorley and Freya Hill.

After the performance, visitors went into class to engage with reading activities which gave them a little insight into what happens in class nowadays. Visitors to Miss Smith's class were treated to a robotics and coding demonstration, by her year 1 and 2 students.

The morning wrapped up in the quadrangle with a sausage sizzle for all. Thank you Mr & Mrs Steele for cooking the BBQ, and a special thank you to Stanthorpe IGA for the donations of sausages and bread for our sausage-sizzle-smoko.

I wish you all a Happy Fathers Day weekend.

Important Dates

DD Athletics	Tues 6/9
Crisps Schools Art Show Awards Night	Tues 6/9 6pm
P&C Meeting	Wed 7/9
Under 8's Day	Thurs 8/9
TYME Festival	Thurs 15/9
Last Day of Term 3	Fri 16/9
School Holidays	17/9-3/10
Public Holiday	Mon 3/10
Term 4 Commences	Tues 4/10
Pupil Free Day	Mon 17/10

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STANTHORPE STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Belltower

Welcome back to the Newsletter Team



Our student newsletter team of Nikita, Natalie, Libby, Ashleigh, Joshua and Kieran are back on the job, after having a few weeks for Athletics—welcome back!

Spaghetti Bridges

By Ashleigh Bell-Norman

On Tuesday the 30th August, the year 6's walked to the high school for the Spaghetti Bridge competition. The year 6's had to design and build a bridge from spaghetti, it had to be finished by the 30th, and could not weigh more than 500g. All the Granite Belt schools were represented. The school that won the most aesthetically pleasing was Glen Aplin.



Hot glue gun work



The weigh in before testing



THE JUNIOR BELL

Featuring stories written by the Student Newsletter Team

Happy Father's Day

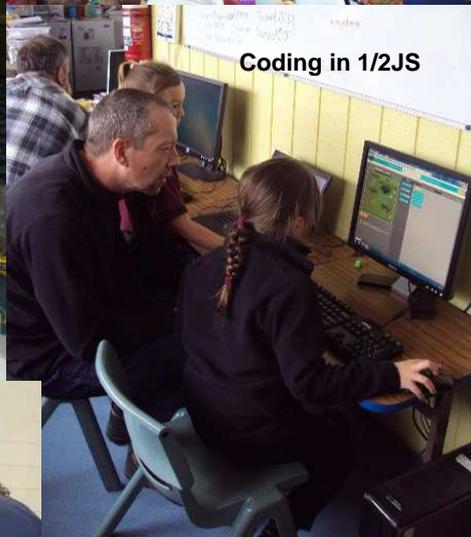
By Nikita and Libby

Happy Father's Day to all our great dads, grandads and pops.

I hope that all our fathers, grandads and pops had a great day at Father's Day reading Day. Dads loved the Rap that two of our lovely grade 6 students performed. We hope that the dads had fun in the classrooms. The play that was performed to the lovely dads made them and the students laugh. The sausage sizzle was delicious and we thank IGA for the sausages. In 5/6LS we did quizzes on Fantastic Mr Fox (1st 3 chapters) and we played with the robots.



The Three Little Bush Pigs



Coding in 1/2JS



Sporting News

Congratulations Thomas Lewis, Alisha Rogers, Harriet Morison, Taleah Daniels, Clayton Townsend, David Williams, Leon Karena, Josh Parker, Hayley Daniells, and Ryan Hines on being nominated for the Granite Belt Athletics Team. These students have been invited to compete at the Darling Downs Athletics Trials in Toowoomba on Tuesday 6 September.

Opti-MINDS

On Sunday 25/8/16, a team of keen, enquiring minds from Year 6 travelled to Gatton to compete in the annual Opti-MINDS Creative Sustainability Challenge. Opti-MINDS is an inclusive team challenge which empowers participants to think, create and communicate.



Our team of thinkers – Luke Pidgeon, Chenel Doorley, Courtney Gauci, Byron Whitaker, Caydence Werner, and Lilly Lingard-Binney – worked with Mrs Pozzi during Term 2 and 3 preparing for the team challenge. They performed their own rehearsed interpretation of adaptation in our changing world. The Challenge Day at UQ Gatton Campus was loads of fun for students, and whilst they didn't come away with a trophy on the day, they did come home with great memories, and the knowledge that they can create, communicate, and perform live in front of a judging panel! Well done Opti-MINDS team.

OzTag

The OzTag development team visited school on Wednesday, and talked to students about the upcoming OzTag season, starting in October. Each class received a 30 mins skills lesson, which included a lot of twisting, leaping and laughs, followed by a quick game. Students had lots of fun, and are all very keen to sign-up for OzTag this season!

Crisps Schools Art Show

The annual Crisps Schools Art Show has commenced in the Stanthorpe Art Gallery. Take the time to go and have a look at the exhibits and you might see the work of a young artist you know on display! The official opening is next Tuesday 6/9/17, where prizes will be awarded to the winning entries. All are welcome to attend the ceremony.