# Stockton Newsletter

## Public School Term 2 Week 2: 9 May 2018





#### **QUALITY WORK**

KW

Quality work happens every day at Stockton Public School. Congratulations to this week's quality workers:

| K/1A  | Jayden and Ayce                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| 1/2H  | Aisha and George                |
| 1/211 | · ·                             |
| 1/2M  | Zade and Charlotte              |
| 1/2S  | Matilda, Tarquin and Clanchy    |
| 3/4J  | Kai, Jacob, Archie and Leila    |
| 4/5R  | Olivia, Kayda, Aidan and Wayan  |
| 5/6K  | Jaylan, Mackenzie, Kai and Sam  |
| 5/6S  | Brooke, Grace, Jude and Gilbert |

Kalani and Koen

| Date | es Fo  | r Your Diary                    |
|------|--------|---------------------------------|
| THU  | 10 May | K-6 Choir at Choirfest          |
| FRI  | 11 May | Mother's Day Stall              |
| FRI  | 18 May | Athletics Carnival              |
| TUE  | 5 Jun  | Stage 3 leave for<br>Canberra   |
| FRI  | 8 Jun  | Stage 3 return from<br>Canberra |

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had an enjoyable break and you were able to recharge ready for the busy term ahead.

#### ANZAC DAY

During the holidays our school was well represented at the local ANZAC March. Thanks to everyone who was able to attend and well done to Milla and Gilbert who laid a tribute at the Cenotaph. It is important that we continue this important tradition and that our children understand the importance of the day and the sacrifices that have been made to secure our way of life.



#### **ZONE CROSS COUNTRY**

Last Friday, 20 talented cross country runners represented Stockton Public School at the Newcastle Zone Cross Country Carnival at Stevenson Park, Mayfield. All students competed well, trying their best and being positive representatives of the school.

A reminder that all Athletics Carnival permission notes need to be returned to class teachers by this Friday, 11th May. Spare notes can be collected from the front office.

Thank you to those parents and caregivers that have returned their volunteer note. If you are able to and still wish to volunteer please return notes to Mrs Redman by this Friday. Information notes about jobs will be sent out to volunteers early next week.

#### **NAPLAN**

Over the next two weeks, students in Years 3 and 5 will be undertaking NAPLAN assessments. This year they will be completing tests online, except for the Year 3 writing test, which is still pen and paper. This is one of the ways we as a school evaluate the effect of the programs we have in place.

#### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

## Late arrival and early departure from school

The starting time for school is 9:00am. Students sit under the COLA in their classes when they hear the whistle just before 9am.

If students arrive after 9:00am they must go to the front office for a late slip, and they will be recorded as a partial absence. School finishes at 3:00pm, so if your child needs to be collected from school early, an early leaver's slip must be completed at the front office before collecting your child. This absence will also be recorded as a partial absence. As rolls are legal documents all attendance must be accurately recorded, even if your child is late by as little as 5 minutes.

| EVER                    | Y MINUT                 | E COUNT                               | S |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| MINUTES LATE<br>PER DAY | EQUIVALENT OF MISSING   | HOW MANY<br>LESSONS THIS<br>IS MISSED |   |
| 5 MINUTES               | 3.4 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR  | 17 LESSONS                            |   |
| 10 MINUTES              | 6.9 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR  | 35 LESSONS                            | P |
| 15 MINUTES              | 10.3 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 51 LESSONS                            |   |
| 20 MINUTES              | 13.8 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 69 LESSONS                            |   |
| 30 MINUTES              | 20.7 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 104 LESSONS                           |   |

#### **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS**

We have had some work done during the holidays and this is still continuing. New vinyl has been laid in the hallways outside Mrs Scott, Miss Hadwell and Mrs Oventone's rooms. These rooms have also been repainted. Work is currently continuing in the top building with new ceilings going into two classrooms and the hallway as well as repainting of the two classrooms. External work has included new guttering on the primary toilet block. Some work on the verandah outside 3/4P's classroom is still to be done.

The canteen will be getting new vinyl laid at the end of next week. It should all be done by the end of the weekend.

Thanks to Kris Lardner who installed some self-closing taps in the infants toilets during the holidays. It's great to see less water being wasted. The cubicles in both these toilets will also be painted some time soon.

#### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS



Congratulations to Hannah, Bronte and Rikky who received Principal's Awards at this week's assembly.

#### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

#### TERM 2 WEEK 3

Monday 14 May
H Dunn, K Junhauthone
Tuesday 15 May
M France, S Moxey
Wednesday 16 May
A Campbell, J Daubney
Thursday 17 May
R Really, K Rice
Friday 18 May
K Bollinger, R Chapman, M Gay

#### **TERM 2 WEEK 4**

Monday 21 May
R Gorfine
Tuesday 22 May
S O"Callaghan
Wednesday 23 May
D Rowan, R Johnson
Thursday 24 May
R Cummings, R Trahair, A Agius
Friday 25 May
M Davis, J Lawson, R Paton



#### **PBL**

We are **engaged** at Stockton Public School.



### Good for Kids good for life

#### 7 REASONS TO LIMIT SMALL SCREENS

Nearly half of all children aged between 5-15 years spend more than 2 hours every day on small screen entertainment such as TV, smartphones and tablets.

Children who spend more than 2 hours on screen time per day are more likely to:

- Have an unbalanced diet.
- Be less physically active.
- Have sleep problems.
- Drink more sugary drinks.
- Snack on foods high in sugar, salt and fat.
- Have fewer social interactions.
- Develop poor posture.

Setting up good habits while children are young can make all the difference to their habits and health in later life.

Source: Murrumbidgee Local Health District Quick Bites



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### When we are **engaged** we:

- Listen to and follow teacher instructions
- Produce quality work
- Are organised
- Are on task

#### STEWART HOUSE

Many thanks to all our families who have given generously to Stewart House. If you wish to make a donation please return your envelope to school by Wednesday 16 May.