

Stockton | Newsletter

Public School | Term 2 Week 8: 19 June 2019



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Where has the time gone? We are getting very close to the end of Term 2 and half way through the year.



WASTE FREE WEDNESDAYS

For the past month, Wednesdays at Stockton Public School have been WASTE FREE WEDNESDAYS. That means all general rubbish and soft plastic bins have been put away. Students need to bring a waste free lunch and recess every Wednesday. Any packaging brought to school will be taken home again with students at the end of the day. Paper lunch bags and fruit and veg scraps will be accepted as these will be composted at school. Why? We are encouraging students (and parents) to reduce throw-away packaging ie. cling wrap, foil, chip packets, poppers etc. How? Buying in bulk, making your own and using plastic lunchboxes with separate compartments/containers that don't need individual wrapping will cut down on excess packaging. Where does all our plastic go when we've finished with it? About 95% of plastic (bags and bottles, cling wrap, snap-lock bags and chip/muesli bar packets etc.) ends up in landfills, where they may take up to 1,000 years to decompose, and potentially leak pollutants into the soil and water. It's estimated that there are also 100 million tons of plastic debris floating around in the oceans potentially killing sea creatures and poisoning our oceans. I have been disappointed in Mrs Redman's report each week that we are not in fact reducing our waste but rather bringing the same amount of rubbish and putting it in the incorrect recycling bins. I am hoping that moving forward you will support the school in this endeavour and help us teach our children to think about waste. Thank you to the canteen and P&C for getting on board this important project.

NAIDOC DAY

Our NAIDOC Day celebrations are getting closer! Tuesday 2nd July is our day. Please join us if you can. We are looking forward to an exciting day of culture and celebration. Please see the flyer below for details.



**VOICE
TREATY
TRUTH**

07 - 14 JULY 2019

Let's work together
for a shared future.

NAIDOC DAY

Tuesday 2nd July is our NAIDOC celebration day!
We will start the day at 10am with an opening ceremony.

We will be joined on the day by East Maitland Public School Wirapan dancers.

All students will work in groups and will be involved in a variety of activities from art to traditional aboriginal games, food tasting to a dance masterclass.

If you are able to help on the day, please send an email to the school email address






stockton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

From The Principal Cont.

REPORTS

Semester 1 reports will be sent home in Week 10. These comprehensive reports reflect all the work that the children have achieved in Terms 1 and 2, based on regular assessment tasks and indicate the outcomes achieved and goals set for Terms 3 and 4. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher to clarify any questions that you may have in regards to your child's learning and progress.

I recently found a great diagram that explains report grades.

| REPORT GRADES AND WHAT THEY MEAN | | |
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| A | Grand Prix Racer! |  |
| B | Advanced driver training with extra skills. |  |
| C | Full drivers licence, like most of us! |  |
| D | A person on "P" plates drives independently but is still learning. |  |
| E | A person on "L" plates must always be accompanied by an experienced driver. |  |

BIZARRE BAZAAR

Stage 3 students have been participating enthusiastically in the MAPPEN unit on Creativity called Bizarre Bazaar. They have been researching, designing and advertising products to sell and raise money for the charity Stewart House.

They will be holding the SPS Bizarre Bazaar on Monday 1st July from 12pm under the COLA. Students K – 4 and parents are invited to attend, helping Stage 3 to raise money for Stewart House. Items will be for sale from 50c to \$10.00 each.

PSSA NETBALL GALA DAY



On Thursday 6th June, I was lucky enough to take a wonderful group of Stage 3 girls to represent our school at the district's PSSA netball gala day. After a week of rain and terrible weather, the sun came out and it was a glorious winter's day for the girls to compete.

Their first game was against Islington Public School and they had a convincing win scoring 33-2. The win then took them through to the next stage of competition where they were up against Tighes Hill P.S. This was a much more intense game but the girls remained focused and came back strong to win 14-5. After a short break they were back out on the courts for round 3 against Mayfield West Public School. Unfortunately Mayfield West was the better team in this game and beat the girls 23-7. Mayfield West then went on to win the whole day undefeated. As it was a gala day the girls were able to play one final game against Belair Public School, which renewed their confidence with a win.

The girls played so well and displayed not only great skills on the court but also wonderful sportsmanship towards the other teams. They should be proud of themselves.

Mrs Drewe



Stage 1 excursion to Murrook

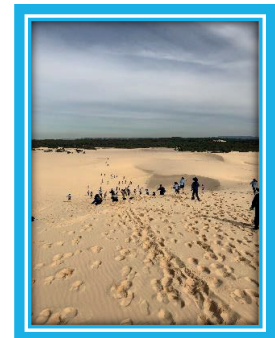
Friday the 14th of June was the day of the big excursion. We caught a big bus over to Williamstown and we dropped our bags off and had some morning tea. We then jumped back on the bus and headed out to the sand dunes.



This is where the fun started because we had to climb a rather large dune, it was tricky and lots of us got sand in our shoes.



When we got to the top, one of our guides, Creid, told us a dreaming story of how the Worimi peoples were created.



Our other guide, John, then walked us over the dunes to a special place where we dug in the sand for fresh water. We then walked all the way back to the bus and we emptied out our shoes and went back to The Murrook Cultural Centre for some lunch.



After Lunch we got ourselves painted and we learnt some Aboriginal dancing, it was a lot of fun. Finally Justin gave us an artefact talk, we learnt a lot! We were super tired when we got back, but it was a great day.



PSSA GIRLS' SOCCER



The PSSA Girls Soccer Team were knocked out of the competition in Round 4. The girls played their hearts out and I am so proud of them. They already have their sights set on next year's comp!

A big thank you to all parents and supporters who helped with transport, setting up nets, checking the field for us and cheering us on.

Bring on the 2020 PSSA Girls Soccer Knockout - we'll be ready!

ROBOTICS TEAM CHALLENGE



Congratulations to the Robotics Team for participating in the MiniMe Challenge Day. The students were persistent in their efforts and learnt a lot about coding. For further information about robotics and STEM please visit <https://www.rdahunterstem.org.au/minime/smart-city-rovers-navigating-newcastle/>

CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 2 WEEK 9

Monday 24 June

L Donnelly

Tuesday 25 June

R Gorfine, R Johnson

Wednesday 26 June

A Morris, D Rowan

Thursday 27 June

D white, J Moran

Friday 28 June

W Pugh, C Prentice, L Gledson, H Smee

TERM 2 WEEK 10

Monday 1 July

M Gill, K Callinan

Tuesday 2 July

M Mackay, J Lintern

Wednesday 3 July

J Daubney, A Campbell

Thursday 4 July

N Omay, P Matthews

Friday 5 July

J Ellery, Y Senior, D Oliver

Dates For Your Diary

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| FRI | 28 Jun | Dress Like a Pirate Day |
| MON | 1 Jul | Infants & Primary Choirs performing at assembly 12pm Bizarre Bazaar |
| TUE | 2 Jul | NAIDOC celebrations |
| FRI | 5 Jul | Pyjama Day Last day Term 2 |
| MON | 22 Jul | Staff Development Day |
| TUE | 23 Jul | Students return to school |



Bizarre Bazaar



Items to be sold include - stickers, bracelets, stress balls, gift jars, comics, bookmarks, candles, T-shirts, scrunchies, tied dyed items.

Monday 1st July
From 12pm under the COLA

Items from 50c to \$10
(Helping Stage 3 raise money for Stewart House)

ENTERTAINMENT
STOCKTON
PUBLIC SCHOOL



pyjama day

FRIDAY 5TH JULY

It is the last day of term so we thought it would be a great idea if everyone came in their pyjamas. Please wear sensible warm pyjamas and fully enclosed shoes.

3 DAY JUNIOR & CADET TENNIS COACHING CLINIC AT STOCKTON TENNIS CLUB



Coach James Bellette will be running a clinic in the first week of the upcoming school holidays. It will be held on Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th July. Times are from 9.00am to 1.00pm and you can attend for 1, 2 or the whole 3 days. Presentation and lunch provided on Wednesday only. Normally \$30 a day, the club and NCIG are subsidising this clinic so you only pay \$20 per day or \$50 for the three days if you are a club member. Not a member? You can become a junior club member on the first day of attendance for \$10. BYO hats, sunscreen, snacks, lunch & water.

Please confirm if you will be attending as soon as possible to Tamara Johansen on 0438 315 152 to book your spot.

BREEZE JR

Youth Group for School Yrs 5-8



WHY?

- + Friendship Building.
- + Escape from screens & playground pressures.
- + Instilling values; kindness, gentleness & self control.
- + Teaching resilience and life lessons.
- + Great mentors.

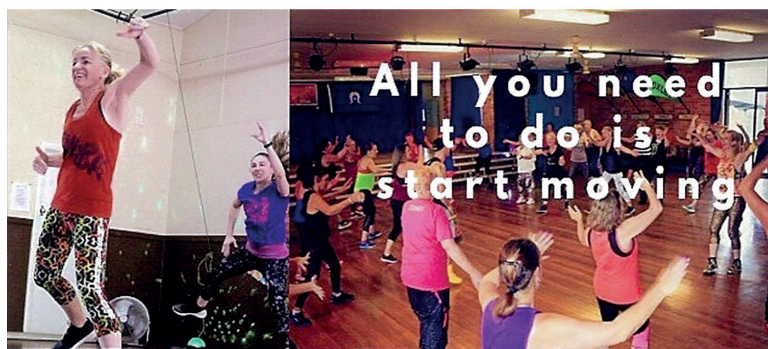
ACTIVITIES

- + Music, games, craft & drama
- + Lego, construction & outdoor activities.
- + Scavenger hunts & more + +
- + Supper

DETAILS

- + Youth Group for School Years 5-8
- + 5:30pm - 7:00pm Friday Nights during the School term.
- + Gold coin donation (includes supper)
- + Please let us know your children are planning to come.
- + Parent or guardian to complete permission form.
- + Questions? Contact Harry on 0437 965414 or Alison 0427 263345.
- + St Paul's Anglican Church & Hall (Cnr Church & Maitland Streets)

www.stocktonanglican.org.au/breezejr



Take some you time and
get moving with Zumba
Fun, no judgement, all fitness levels
and ages

Zumba Toning Monday 6.30pm

Zumba Tuesday 9.30am

Zumba Thursday 6.30pm

Stockton Uniting church hall, crn of
Mitchell & King Sts

