

Stockton Newsletter

Public School

Term 3 Week 2: 31 July 2019



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to Lucy, Noah, Linnea, Karlie, Oliver, Will, Lucian and Charlotte who each received a Principal's Award at this fortnight's assembly.

QUALITY WORK

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

KM	Jasper, Mitchell, Lucy and Evie
KW	Lucia, Ned and Archie
1/2A	Raena and Lara
1/2HD	Skyla and Rachael
1/2S	Sonny, Lachy, Xzanda and Noah
3/4T	Jackson and Izabella
4/5R	Zali, Lachie, Lucy and Zev
5/6K	Samantha, Jonas, Koby and Eli
5/6S	Kayda, Kobie, Ruby and Tully

Dates For Your Diary

FRI	2 Aug	Stage 2/3 Cricket NSW
MON	5 Aug	Education Week
TUE	6 Aug	Spelling Bee
FRI	9 Aug	Stage 2/3 Cricket NSW
TUE	13 Aug	Zone Athletics Carnival
FRI	16 Aug	Stage 2/3 Cricket NSW ESI District Public Speaking

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term 3. I trust that everyone had a wonderful holiday and we are all feeling rested and rejuvenated ready for the busy term ahead.

EDUCATION WEEK 2019

Yesterday we celebrated NAIDOC Day with a day of cultural activities. Thank you to Andrew Smith and Justin Ridgeway for joining us from Worrimbi Aboriginal Land Council. Thank you to Liz for all her hard work in organising people and events. Thank you to East Maitland Public School Wirapan dancers for entertaining us and teaching us dance. It is wonderful to see what other schools are doing. It was a successful day with students involved in art, aboriginal games, story telling and food tasting – kangaroo and bush tomato sausages, lemon myrtle biscuits and rosella jam (thank you Fionna Ralph).

KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR 2020

To enable us to correctly estimate enrolments and staff the school appropriately for 2020, I need all parents enrolling new students P-6 to complete enrolment forms and leave their details at the office. Please let me know of any neighbours and friends who may not have children already at this school but will have school/preschool age children for 2020, so we can then contact them and include them on our numbers for next year.

SKOOLBAG

Skoobag is a communication app that can be downloaded for free from the App store or the Google Play store (Stockton Public School Skoobag). This app is an excellent communication tool. We use it for a variety of purposes, to communicate events; send out the newsletter; parents and carers can provide an explanation for your child's absence and hopefully in the near future we will move to e-forms for permission notes saving the school paper and saving you time. This year we have started using the app more regularly to keep everyone informed. If you have not done so already can you please download the app so that you are not missing important information.

ATTENDANCE

The table below indicates the impact that irregular attendance has on student learning opportunities. Below is also a table indicating the different levels of attendance rates. I hope you find these guides helpful. Please speak to your child's teacher if you are not sure what attendance rate your child is achieving.

Above 98%	Excellent attendance Less than 4 days absence in a year.
95%	Good attendance Less than 9 days absence in a year.
90%	Below average / low attendance 19 days (nearly 4 weeks) absence over the year. Students with attendance 90% or below are persistently absent from school.
85%	Exceptionally low attendance 29 days (nearly 6 weeks) absences in a year.

SPS CREATIVE KIDS

This year we have been lucky to have seven students who have been accepted into the 2019 Hunter Creative Arts Camp, "When Pigs Fly", to be held at Camp Toukley Monday 2 September – Friday 6 September.

The Hunter Creative Arts Camp is aimed at students in Years 5 and 6 with a passion for and exceptional abilities in music, art, dance or drama. This week-long intensive camp provides students with access to industry professionals in their area of expertise. Congratulations to Rhiannon, Olivia, Kayda, Linnea, Aidan, Jonas and Jenna.

Well done and enjoy this wonderful opportunity.

Ms Nell Jones

A BIG THANK YOU

Thank you to Kevin, one of our dad's who organised a donation of about 20 cubic metres of mulch for our school gardens.

PRESCHOOL NEWS



This week Bathu Bila was excited to brainstorm and create their own vision for our role play area. They decided that we should make an ice cream shop initially but after further discussion thought it should be an ice cream van.

They went away and thought about how they could create it and on Tuesday morning we made ice creams and ice blocks, talking about the equipment we would need, making money, signs to advertise and deciding how much they would charge for the products. They had so much fun creating and playing in their role play ice cream van that they invited their mums and dads in at pick up time to have a play too.

CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 3 WEEK 3

Monday 5 August

Kannika Junhuathone

Tuesday 6 August

M France, S Moxey

Wednesday 7 August

T Battye, M McConnell

Thursday 8 August

S O'Sullivan, E Graham

Friday 9 August

H Tyrie, D Harrison, M Dobson, S O'Connor

TERM 3 WEEK 4

Monday 12 August

L Lambert, K Jones

Tuesday 13 August

S O'Callaghan

Wednesday 14 August

L Wagner, G Morley

Thursday 15 August

R Cummings, A Atkins

Friday 16 August

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Yesterday was NAIDOC day!. We ate yummy biscuits and jam and honey on sticks. I loved the dancing and the games were fun!
I love NAIDOC day. Best day ever!
Evie 3/4T

It was the best! I love the sausages and the biscuits. They were the best. I loved the smell of the eucalyptus - it smelled like dark gloomy clouds in the sky. It stung my eyes.
Jackson 3/4T

NAIDOC day was amazing!
It smelt like smoke drifting past my face.
It looked like brilliant dances filling my eyes with joy.
It tasted like delicious kangaroo sausages and biscuits filling me up with yumminess.
It felt like golden, sparkling angels surrounding me. I enjoyed NAIDOC day so much.
Zoe 3/4T

NAIDOC day smelt like smoke and paint.
NAIDOC day looked like magical art work.
I felt proud to be part of Australia.
NAIDOC day tastes like spicy kangaroo sausages.
NAIDOC day sounded like wonderful clap sticks.
Leila 3/4T

VOICE - TREATY - TRUTH
NAIDOC celebrations were amazing. I could smell the crispy smoke covering us. I could hear the tapping sticks banging together. I could taste the delicious honey. I could see incredible dancers coming to perform for us. My favourite thing was the food tasting.
Toby 3/4T

I loved NAIDOC week. It is the best day in the world. We were in groups. My favourite group was the bush tucker group.
Zade 3/4T

I loved our NAIDOC celebrations at Stockton. Walking in the garden was my favourite because I knew most of the plants like lemon myrtle, whistle grass, soap leaves and tee tree.
Willow 3/4T

Words that remind me of NAIDOC celebrations:

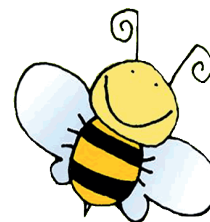
biscuits kangaroo sausages gardens

dancers jam tapping sticks dreamtime

Khristyann 3/4T

2019 Premier's Spelling Bee

For students in Grades 1-6



Congratulations to the following students who were the winners of their class spelling bee. These children will now compete in the school's Premier's Spelling Bee which will be held in the hall on Tuesday 6th August at 12pm.

1/2A	Raena Lara	3/4T	Ruby Kingston
1/2S	Tarquin Lachlan	4/5R	Lachie Larsen
1/2HD	Chase Benji	5/6S	Karlie Brooke
3/4P	Ross Inez	5/6K	Hannah Eli

The two winners from the school Junior and Senior Spelling Bee, will then compete in the Regional Finals which will occur Monday on Monday 2nd September at Mayfield West Public School.

The 2019 word lists can be accessed via the website listed below. The Junior word list is for students in grades 1-4. The Senior word list of for students in grades 5-6

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/premiers-spelling-bee>

Password: pizza

Parents are invited to attend the Junior and Senior Spelling Bee in the hall on Tuesday 6th August at 12pm.

Jude Thomas
(Assistant Principal / Stage 2 Teacher)

OPEN HOUSE

at Stockton P.S.

Education Week celebrates public education. It is an opportunity to connect students, families and teachers as partners in our learning.

Each classroom is offering a variety of experiences to come and participate in the learning that happens every day in our classrooms. Please see timetables sent out on Skoolbag and in this week's newsletter for more information



Week beginning Monday 5th
August

The classrooms will be open during the following times....

Please note each class timetable is different.

PRESCHOOL

Class : Preschool				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
		12:30pm – 1:30pm Murrook Cultural visit		1:00pm – 1:40pm Library visit
	2:10pm – 2:45pm Library visit			

EARLY STAGE 1

Class : KM				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
		10:15am – 11:00am STEM4TEN in the computer lab		10:00am – 11:00am Literacy activities
12:15pm – 1:00pm Maths – number games	12:15pm – 1:00pm Design, Make and Discuss “The Bridge and Beyond”			
			2:10pm – 2:45pm PE – balls skills – catching and throwing	

Class : KW				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
				10:00am – 11:00am Literacy activities
1:00pm – 1:40pm Maths – number games		11:45am – 12:30pm STEM4TEN in the computer lab		
			2:10pm – 2:45pm PE – balls skills – catching and throwing	

STAGE 1

Class : 1/2S				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
		9:15am – 10am Literacy activities		
12:40pm – 1:40pm Maths – addition and subtraction	11:45am - 12:30pm STEM4TEN in the computer lab			11:45am – 12:40pm Sport
			2:10pm – 2:45pm Readers Theatre	

Class : 1/2A				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
	9:15am – 10:00am Literacy activities		9:15am – 10:00am Drama games	
12:40pm – 1:40pm Maths activities				11:45am – 12:40pm Sport
		2:15pm – 2:45pm STEM4TEN in the computer lab		

Class : 1/2HD				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
	12:45pm – 1:30pm STEM4TEN in the computer lab		11:45pm – 12:45pm Maths activities	11:45am – 12:40pm Sport

STAGE 2

Class : 3/4T				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
	9:15am – 10:00am Readers theatre – join us in creating some fun readers theatre or just sit back and enjoy the show 10:15am – 11:00am STEM4TEN in the computer lab	9:15am – 10:00am “Every Student, Every Voice” unleash your imagination and help us create some collaborative art work		9:15am – 10:00am We are learning to write and follow procedures. Come and join the challenge to make and fly a paper plane that goes the furthest.
11:40am – 12:40pm Poetry reading in the library		11:40am – 12:40pm Literacy STEM – Are you up for the challenge?		11:45am – 12:40pm Cricket – come along and join in our class sport activity
			2:10pm – 2:45pm Seesaw Margery Daw” Have you ever wondered how your kids create that wonderful work that is posted out on seesaw? Come and join us in creating our next post	
Class : 3/4P				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
	9:15am -10:00am Poetry reading in the library		9:15am – 10:00am Come along and join in the STEM learning with Miss Haywood	10:20am -11:00am Cricket – come along and join in our class sport activity
11:40am – 12:40pm We are learning to write and follow procedures. Come and join the challenge to make and fly a paper plane that goes the furthest.		12:40pm – 1:40pm “Every Student, Every Voice” unleash your imagination and help us create some collaborative art work		
	2:15pm – 2:55pm STEM4TEN in the computer lab		2:10pm – 2:45pm Seesaw Margery Daw” Have you ever wondered how your kids create that wonderful work that is posted out on seesaw? Come and join us in creating our next post	

STAGE 2/3

Class : 4/5R				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
10:30am – 11:00am Come along and read a story together	9:25am – 10:10am STEM4TEN in the computer lab		10:00am – 11:00am Literacy STEM – are you up for the challenge?	
				12:20pm -1:00pm Cricket – come along and join in our Milo Cricket lesson with Cricket NSW 1:00pm – 1:40pm Maths groups – play and learn based on our maths topic for the week
			2:10pm – 2:50pm Sport – come and join in the fun games using our cricket skills	

STAGE 3

Class : 5/6K				
Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
		9:25am – 10:10am STEM4TEN in the computer lab	10:00am – 11:00am The Art of Persuasion – Debating and writing skills	10:20am -11:00am Cricket – come along and join in our Milo Cricket lesson with Cricket NSW
11:40am – 12:40pm Bucket drumming in the hall	11:40am – 12:40pm Maths Daily 3 activities			
				2:10pm –2:45pm Drama workshops for performance

Class : 5/6S

Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
9:15am -10:00am Poetry reading in the library 10:10am – 10:20am Ninja Maths explanation and demonstration 10:20am – 11:00am Prodigy maths				9:00am - 9:40am Cricket – come along and join in our Milo Cricket lesson with Cricket NSW
		12:45pm – 1:30pm STEM4TEN in the computer lab		

ACROSS THE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday 5/8	Tuesday 6/8	Wednesday 7/8	Thursday 8/8	Friday 9/8
9:15am -10:00am Poetry reading in the library with 5/6S	9:15am -10:00am Poetry reading in the library with 3/4P 10:00am – 11:00am Muffins in the morning – join Ms Holt for morning tea in the hall – meet some other families in our school.	10:00am – 11:00am Poetry reading in the library with 4/5R		
	11:00am – 11:40am Bring a picnic lunch and a blanket and join your child/ren for lunch.			
11:40am – 12:40pm Poetry reading in the library with 3/4T	12:00pm Spelling bee in the hall			

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BOOK WEEK ACTIVITIES WEEK 5

Book Swap - Monday to Wednesday 19th to 21st August 2019

We have a huge range of donated books that we are selling during Book Week to raise money for the library. It is a great opportunity to purchase some quality second hand books for your child.

Parents may pop into the library before school from 8.20am-8.50am and after school until 3.30pm. Students may purchase during these times with parents or at lunch or recess when the library will be open. Books may be purchased for 50 cents, \$1.00 and \$2.00.

Book Parade Monday 19th August 2019 at 10.00am

Please read information regarding Book Parade in this newsletter.

Book Cover Competition

Students from Pre-School -Year 6 can enter this year's Book Week Competition by entering a drawing or design of their favourite book cover. Book covers can be constructed on paper or cardboard using any of the following, mixed media, painting, drawing, collage, or drawing. Alternatively they can produce an imaginary or new book cover using their own original design but must have the, title, author and illustrator included on the work. One small book prize will be awarded to the winning student in each stage. Students will need to hand in their designs to Ms Jones in the library no later than Wednesday the 14th August. All entries will be displayed in the library for a few weeks

Writing Competition - My Superpower

Students who are keen writers have the opportunity to submit a piece of writing in the following genres, poetry, fiction or prose based on the topic or idea of **MY SUPERPOWER**. Each entry must clearly state name, stage and Class. Entries must be limited to 250 words. Winning entries will be published in the SPS Newsletter and will be displayed in the SPS Library. Entries must be submitted to Ms Jones no later than Wednesday the 14th August, 2019.

Book Week Parade

When: 10 am, MONDAY, 19TH August 2019.

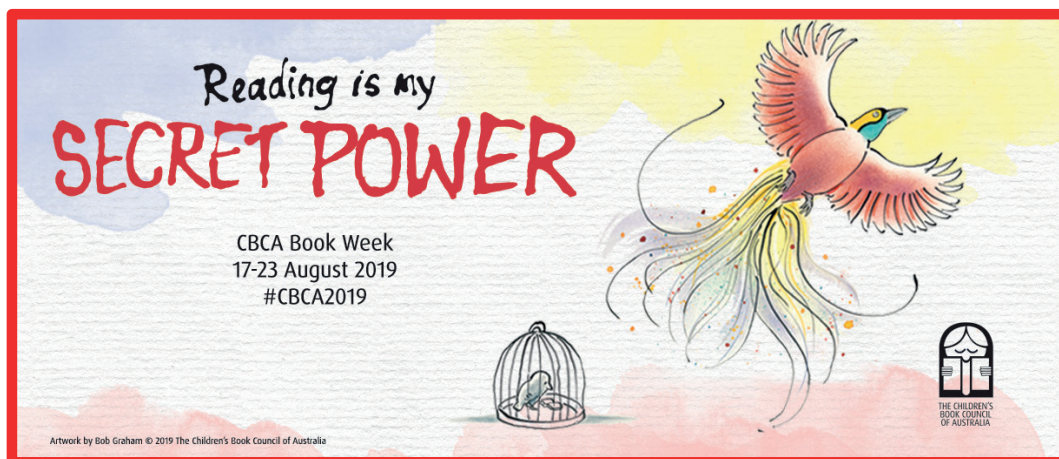
Where: SPS COLA

WHO: P-6

Dear Parents/Caregivers and friends, you are invited to attend the annual Stockton Public School Book Week Parade. Each year level has an open theme of "My Favourite Book Character". All Primary School students can dress as their favourite book character, and bring either the book or a copy of the front cover. Alternatively, students may wish to come as a **SUPER HERO** in keeping with the "Reading is My Super Power" theme.

Parents, please assist your child in the making of their costume, as it needs to be created at home.

Ms Jones
Librarian



2019/2020 Competition Dates



[Like us on Facebook for more info!](#)

SEPTEMBER 2019

2nd Meet & greet/BBQ night
9th Competition
16th Competition
23rd Competition
30th Competition

OCTOBER 2019

7TH No Competition
14TH Competition
21ST Competition
28TH Competition

NOVEMBER 2019

4TH Competition
11TH Competition
18TH Competition
25TH Competition

DECEMBER 2019

2ND Competition
9TH Competition
16TH Christmas BBQ/Water fight
23rd No Competition
30TH No Competition

JANUARY 2020

6TH No Competition
13TH No Competition
20TH Competition
27TH No Competition

FEBRUARY 2020

3RD Competition
10TH Competition
17TH Competition
24TH Competition

MARCH 2020

2ND Competition
9TH Competition
16TH Competition
23RD Competition
30TH End of season BBQ

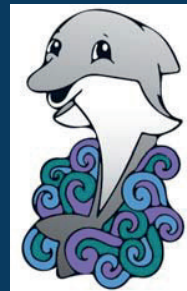
- Start time is 4:30PM – Mondays @ Corroba Oval
- Online Registrations open 1st August 2019.
- Registration fees:
 - Tiny Tots \$110
 - U6 – U17 \$130



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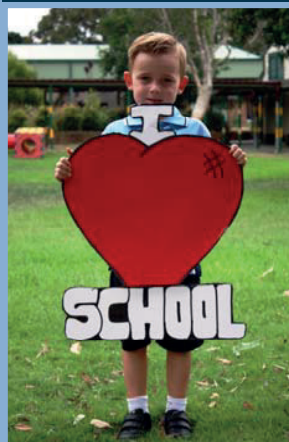
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Enrolling now for 2020



Preschool & Kindergarten



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2019 JUNIOR TOUCH FOOTBALL COMPETITION

- Monday nights 2Sep—9Dec
- Age groups: Under 7—15yrs age as at 31st Dec
- Separate boys and girls comps
- All games at one venue
- Referees provided
- \$60 per player– (plus \$25 for reversible singlet)
- Multi-child discount
- NSW Touch affiliated
- Representative opportunities for registered players

Register online as a team or email us if you are an individual looking for a team

@ newcastlejuniors@gmail.com



www.newcastlecity.touch.asn.au

Juniors, Registrations Close 25th August

Want to know more? Contact us...



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USE your bRAIN



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TAKE THE BUS TO SCHOOL AND MAKE BEANIES COOL

You may be surprised to learn that, in Australia, brain cancer kills more children than any other disease and more people under 40 than any other cancer, yet it is one of the most underfunded and under researched cancers of all time. Your participation in Beanie for Brain Cancer Day will enable us to increase awareness of this terrible disease, and raise much needed funds for brain cancer research.

Your school community can help us by participating in our Beanie for Brain Cancer campaign. It's easy, fun, and a great opportunity for students to experience first hand how a small effort by many can make a big difference!

On Tuesday 30th July 2019, Hunter Valley Buses will be donating 10 cents per school Opal tap for school students using their school bus.

Transport for NSW will be providing Hunter Valley Buses with the total school Opal taps for the day so we can contribute to finding better treatments and ultimately to finding a cure for brain cancer.

Participating is simple, wear your beanies and tap on and tap off with your school Opal card when boarding and alighting your school bus.

Make your taps count... to apply or update your child's details visit
<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

