



Kindergarten Information Note







Term 3



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term 3. Below is some important information you will need to know. Also attached is a calendar for Term 3 to keep track of what's happening. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Your Teachers

	Miss Morrison (KM Teacher) Monday - Friday		Mrs Pearce (Librarian) KM - Tuesday 1hr KW - Thursday 1hr
	Mr Whitfield (KW Teacher) Monday - Friday		Mrs Mander (Release Teacher) STEM Teacher KM - Tuesday 1hr KW - Thursday 1hr
	Mrs Redman (PDH/PE Teacher) KM - Friday 2hr KW - Monday 2hr		Ms Schults (PDH/PE Teacher) KM - Even weeks on Friday 1hr KW - Odd weeks on Friday 1hr

Organisation

Please remember to bring the following each day:

- ✓ school hat
- ✓ small piece of fresh fruit or vegetables for Crunch & Sip
- ✓ filled water bottle
- ✓ Communication Bag

Morning Meetings

Miss Morrison and Mr Whitfield will be attending morning meetings on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We may be unavailable to speak with you those mornings. If you have any questions please arrange another time to speak with me or contact via email - stockton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Canteen Orders

You are now able to place canteen orders on line through QuickCliq. You will need to register at www.quickcliq.com.au to place an order.

Teaching and Learning

This term we will be learning:

SSP – Sounds Speech Pics

The Speech Sound Pics (SSP) is a phonics program used to teach reading and spelling in a 1:1, small group or whole class setting. This program recognises that each child needs to work at the PACE that is optimal for their needs; to allow for reinforcement, consolidation and the learning of new skills and concepts.

Show & Tell

Your child can bring in a small item for Show and Tell. This will be the responsibility of your child so please be mindful in what is brought in. Their item will be for the sole purpose of Show and Tell not to play with at Lunch or Recess. This timetable will indicate what day your child is assigned to share their Show and Tell weekly.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KM	Brody Elora Kingston	Amber Jake Isabella	Cooper H Paije Keiron Violet	Hayden Melissa Jack	Harvie Kobie Connor
KW	Byron Frankie Ryder	Olivia Cooper G Sophie	Gus Indy Logan Saba	George Esther Audrey William	Saxon Amarinah Nash

Maths

The following skills be will be covered:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revise key ideas from Term One and Two and ...• Read and use the ordinal names to at least 'tenth'
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make representations of two-dimensional shapes using a variety of materials, including paint, paper, body movements and computer drawing tools
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Record addition and subtraction informally using drawings, words and numerals
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Group and share concrete materials to solve problems• Record grouping and sharing using informal methods
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Record halves of objects using drawings
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify the attribute of 'mass' as a measure of the amount of matter in an object• Describe mass using everyday language, including comparatives• Compare masses directly by hefting• Record comparisons of mass informally
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use the terms 'left' and 'right' to describe position in relation to self
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revise key ideas from Term One and Two and ...• Read and use the ordinal names to at least 'tenth'

STEM

STEM is taught by Mrs Mander.

The acronym STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. More importantly, STEM represents a multidisciplinary approach to student exploration. This year, students will focus on using STEM-skills to think and act as scientists and engineers. Students will connect understandings from various subject areas to devise solutions to a variety of challenges.

Library

Library is taught by Mrs Pearce.

Your child will visit the library on their allocated day. During their library time, your child will borrow appropriate books to take home for the week. When these books are returned on their next visit, they will be able to borrow different books. This term, Mrs Pearce will also focus on the shortlisted picture books in preparation for Book Week and focus on poetry.

Physical development, Health & Physical Education PDH/PE

The following will be covered:

Sport/ Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS)

Mrs Redman will teach Sport/FMS.

Your child will be involved in outdoor physical education on Mondays and Wednesdays. Sport shoes (joggers) may be worn on these days.

Drug Education (Medicine safety).

Mrs Redman will teach medicine safety.

Age appropriate drug education forms a part of the mandatory k-6 PDHPE Syllabus. Drug education in NSW government schools reflects the whole of government harm minimisation approach. It aims to promote resilience, and build on knowledge, skills, attitudes and behaviours to enable young people to make responsible, healthy and safe choices.

Anti-Bullying Program

Miss Schultz will teach anti-bullying on alternate Fridays.

This program aims to help promote student safety, wellbeing and effectively address bullying behaviour.

MAPPEN

Mappen provides opportunities for students to explore content and skills through real-world examples. MAPPEN guarantees coverage of the mandated standards in the following areas: History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship, Economics and Business, Science, Critical and Creative Thinking, Ethical Understanding Capability, Personal and Social Capability, and Intercultural Capability. This term, students will appreciate and consider the properties of materials of things that they use in their lives. They will consider the properties of different materials when they embark on a design project of their own.

Creative Arts: Drama

Drama involves students making, performing and appreciating through various roles, dramatic contexts, elements and forms.

I look forward to working with you and your child this term.

Regards,

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Mr Dene Whitfield

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Extra Information for New Students

Organisation

Your child will need

- ✓ school hat
- ✓ headphones (optional)
- ✓ painting shirt / Paint Smock / Old large t-shirt (labelled with name)
- ✓ small piece of fresh fruit or vegetables for Crunch & Sip (daily)
- ✓ filled water bottle (labelled with name – water only please)

Note: Please label all of their belongings. A library bag will be supplied.

Pick Up & Drop Off

Please Continue following COVID 19 pick-up and drop-off guidelines until further notice.

OOSH and Bus

Could you please let me know if your child regularly attends OOSH in the afternoons either by email or note. If your child is attending OOSH occasionally could you also let me know so I/we can direct them to the OOSH line. If your child is going to catch a bus (any day) could you also notify me which day/s and which bus number. **Bus 1:** 2555 North Stockton residence, **Bus 2:** 2555 Fern Bay / Medowie, **Bus 3:** 0136 South Stockton to the ferry

School Uniform

The children look great in their school uniform. Please see the school's office if you have any questions relating to uniforms. Please ensure your child has a sun safe (school appropriate) hat to wear every day. They are available for purchase from the school office.

No jewellery (necklaces, bracelets) to be worn at school on any day as they can be dangerous at play times.

Packing School Lunches

There are children at SPS who suffer from life threatening allergies to Kiwi fruit and peanuts and traces of peanuts in food products. Please take this into consideration when you are shopping for and preparing school lunches. We promote a healthy lunch box at school and sustainability with the inclusion of Waste Free Wednesdays each week where students are encouraged to reduce their landfill waste.

Remember, Stockton PS is a Nut Aware School.

Assemblies

Assemblies are held in Week 5 and Week 10 at 2.20pm in the school's hall (**COVID PERMITTING - More information to come**).

Money

If children have money for the Canteen (or any other reason) please bring it in a wallet with their name on it.

Communication

Communication Folders and Bags

We are Road Safety tote bags as 'Communication Bags'. Please bring these bags to school **every day even if they are empty**. We use these bags to send and receive important information between parents and teachers so things don't get lost, dropped or scrunched in little school bags.

These bags will also be used as library bags.

Skoolbag App

Please download the Skoolbag app as this is the main form of immediate communications from the school to home inclusive of newsletters, alerts and eforms for permission notes. (available from The App Store or Google Play)



Stay informed with the SkoolBag App

The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and all school communications.

- 1 Download the app**
Search for the free SkoolBag app in the Apple App or Google Play Store
- 2 Create an account**
Sign up in seconds with your email address
- 3 Add your school**
Search for your school and add your subscription groups

SkoolBag

Seesaw App

Please also download the Seesaw Home app as classroom teachers will be communicating via Seesaw for classroom happenings. Teachers will also send photos of your child during their learning experiences. A Seesaw class letter will be sent home with instructions soon.

Please note: Seesaw allows you to send direct messages to your teacher, however, teachers will not be using this function as a means of communication, please contact teachers via phone or email - stockton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Facebook

We also now have a Facebook page. The profile picture is the school emblem. Please 'like' our page for further notifications and reminders.

Absences


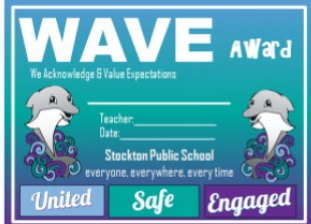

Please send a note, email or contact the office when your child has been absent. If you are aware your child will be absent prior to the date, please let the office know. It is important to be at school for the beginning of the school day so that the children do not miss out on learning.

If your child is away from school for two consecutive days with no notification as to why, you will receive a phone call from the school for an explanation and to check on the child's wellbeing.

Please be aware of partial absences (late starts and/or leaving early) these can also be a concern if there are too many. We want to make sure all children have the best opportunity to learn and succeed.

Reward Systems

Awards

 <p>SEA Award School Expectations Achieved</p> <p>United To _____ for displaying _____ behaviour</p> <p>Safe by _____</p> <p>Engaged Teacher: _____ Date: _____</p>	 <p>WAVE Award We Acknowledge B Value Expectations</p> <p>Teacher: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Stockton Public School everyone, everywhere, every time</p> <p>United Safe Engaged</p>	 <p>SHORE Award Student Has Outstanding Recognition of Expectations</p> <p>United Date: _____</p> <p>Safe Principal: _____</p> <p>Engaged Stockton Public School everyone, everywhere, every time</p>
<p>Students will receive a SEA award for United, Safe or Engaged behaviour. Teachers will fill these out and be responsible for handing out these awards in assembly. There will be 4 given out per class at every fortnightly assembly</p>	<p>After students have received 2 SEA awards, regardless of the expectation, they will upgrade to receiving WAVE awards in assembly in place of SEA awards.</p>	<p>After a student has received 2 SEA awards and then 2 WAVE awards, the student will receive a SHORE award and a PBL badge.</p>

Badges

A student will receive a badge with every SHORE Award they receive. There are 7 badges to collect during their time at Stockton Public School.

Tokens

Staff will hand out Clyde tokens to students who exhibit United, Safe and/or Engaged behaviour in learning spaces or in the playground. Tokens will be placed in a clear PVC pipe located under the Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA). All students will collectively work towards filling the PVC pipe with as many tokens as possible to reach the termly whole school rewards.

