

STUARTS POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWS



Term 1 - Week 2
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Welcome back to all our new and returning students and families. We hope that you have had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday break. It was great seeing our students returning last week looking refreshed and ready for another busy and exciting year with many activities to enjoy and opportunities to explore. Everyone in Years K-6 returned together and routines are quickly being established.

Our Kindergarten 2019 will participate in BEST START assessments over the next few weeks with feedback information to parents shortly afterwards.



We have nine very excited **new kindy's** joining us this year. Welcome Kayden, Ari, Xavier H, Xavier J, Nellie, Liam, Koda, Maddison and Charli. We look forward to working with you and your families throughout the year. Also a huge welcome to our new student Riley (Yr3) AND of course, welcome back to all our returning students as well.

Thank you to all parents who have made the effort to ensure our students are dressed in full school **uniform**. I must say it made me feel very proud as I watched everyone walk through the gate so neatly dressed and eager to start school again. Remember, school uniforms can be purchased through the P&C and are a fraction of the cost of many other schools.

There are a few **staff** changes. We welcome back Robyn and Marg in the office (Admin Manager / SAO), Miss Williams (K/1 teacher Mon-Thurs), Mrs Kuilder (Yr2/3 teacher Mon-Thurs), Mrs Miles-Gavin (Yr4/5/6 teacher Mon-Thurs), Mrs Northfield (Instructional Leader), Mrs Vanderjagt (Library / RFF, LaST and Community Liason Officer), Mr Hall (School Chaplain), Judy Baines (Cleaner), Brett Moore (GA) and Geoff Goldrick (Aurora College). We also have a number of key volunteers and aides who will continue supporting our school in one capacity or another.

At this stage we have **classes** set as K/1, 2/3 and 4/5/6. Hopefully this will continue for the year but it is always dependent upon grades for new enrolments. All students have had a settled and very happy start to the year and I commend you, as parents, for helping make this transition so smooth.

An invitation is extended to all parents to meet with their **class teachers** during Week 3.

- Miss Kuilder (2/3) – Tues 12th 2.30pm
- Mrs Miles-Gavin (4/5/6) – Wed 13th 2.30pm
- Miss Williams (K/1) – Thurs 14th 2.30pm

These meetings will take the form of a group discussion, in which staff will outline some of the curriculum requirements and the way in which we hope to fulfill our obligations in implementing the syllabuses set down by the Department of Education. There will be time for questions as we seek to meet your needs in relation to the school's operation, the management of students and the teaching / learning programs of the school. Should parents require individual meetings to discuss their children's particular learning styles / needs, this can be arranged at mutually agreeable times by phoning the office to organise a meeting. We are available during our release and outside teaching times, to hold such meetings, if parents so desire. Working parents can contact the office for an alternative time. We will also schedule individual PLP meetings with each family in the upcoming weeks.

Our first major event planned for the term is our annual school **swimming carnival** to be held Monday 18th Feb at Macksville Pool. All students who are 8+ years are eligible to compete. The carnival will start at 9.45am and conclude after lunch with relays. All students from Years 3-6 must compete and parents are responsible for organising individual travel. Specific details are in the permission note. School will operate as normal for K-2 students.

Newsletters: The window to our world! School newsletters are issued to the eldest in the family and go home fortnightly on a Monday every 'even' week. They are a vital form of home - school communication and include information about school happenings, P&C reports, canteen and uniform information, and so much more! Children who receive special school awards, including our 'nightly' reading certificates are also recognised. Please take the time to note key events as they are published.

We also continually update our **website** for term events so please ensure you logon at <http://www.stuartspt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/> as this is another excellent means of communication with our school community.

Bell times

Start school	9am
Recess	11.00 – 11.30
Lunch	1pm – 1.45pm
Home	3pm

Assembly

Assembly will be held fortnightly (on even week Fridays) at 2.30pm with the exception of this week when we will start at 2pm to leave time for our P&C to hold a 'welcome back to school' afternoon tea.

Sport

Held every Friday morning between 9-10.10am in Sport House groups. We participate in K-6 whole school sport during the morning session which fits in well with our sun-safe policy.

Scripture: is held each Friday between 11.30-12.10. These lessons take the form of social skills, citizenship and values. A separate permission note will come home soon.

Library Day: Please ensure your child has a suitable library bag to protect borrowed books.

- Miss Kuilder's class (2/3): Tuesday
- Mrs Miles-Gavin's class (4/5/6): Wednesday
- Miss Williams class (K/1) Thursday

We have **Fruit Bat Break** every morning at 9.20am.

Please remember to send some fruit or vegetables with your child. (It can be dried or fresh)



Please add details of upcoming events to your **calendars** as they come to hand. It's a good way to keep in touch with the activities your child may be involved in at school.



Special Roles for 2019

School Leaders

All senior students will be given leadership opportunities for this semester.

We will continue **absence monitoring** this year with our daily attendance chart on the smartboards in our classrooms. Each child will fill this in before they start school at 9am. Remember it is mandatory to notify the school in writing when your child has been absent.

This Friday a welcome afternoon tea will be held after assembly for all families. This is a great opportunity to meet, mix and mingle with new and old friends. Could everyone please bring a plate to share.

Thanks for your support and I look forward to working with you all throughout 2019.

Tonya M Worling

Expression of Interest

A casual employment opportunity currently exists at Stuarts Point Public School for a School Learning Support Officer (SLSO). Please enquire at office. Applications close 3pm Friday 15th February 2019. Applicants should have a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance.

Messages

Surviving the first weeks back at school

- Children are often very tired in the first weeks of school. Your child will need lots of sleep.
- Start your child's day with a healthy breakfast.
- Make sure your child always knows how they will be getting home.
- Check your child's bag each night especially for leftover lunch and notes home.
- Try to establish regular morning routines.
- Be on time for the afternoon pick-up.
- Start a home reading routine each afternoon.
- Chat to your child about their day at school.
- It is important that your child still has time to relax, play outside and do things that they enjoy.

Removing head lice and nits

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits. Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits>

We will start 2 weeks of **Intensive Learn to Swim** from 4th to 15th March. Our whole school K-6 will be involved in these lessons which will be held from 11.30-12.30 at Macksville Pool. Any parents interested in volunteering, please leave your name with Robyn in the office. We desperately need the support of parents to run this valuable program. Please start putting some money aside to cover this. Costs have not changed from the last few years and are \$30 per child with no more than \$60 per family. We supplement this program with some very generous donations from Alison and Ian Tolson, Christian Life Centre and the Lions Club of SWR. Thank you to these organisations.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Week 1

- 29th Jan - SDD Professional Learning
- 30th Jan - All students K-6 commence

Week 2

- 4th Feb - Newsletter (Mon fortnightly)
- 4-15th Feb - Best Start Kindy Assessments
- 6th Feb - Breakfast program (weekly) 8.30-9am
- 8th Feb - Assembly 2.00pm followed by Welcome Afternoon Tea

Week 3

- 12th Feb - P&C Mtg 9.15am (Library)
- 12th Feb - Class Mtg: Miss Kuilder 2.30pm
- 13th Feb - Class Mtg Mrs Miles-Gavin 2.30pm
- 14th Feb - Class Mtg Miss Williams 2.30pm

Week 4

- 18th Feb - Newsletter
- 18th Feb - Swimming Carnival 9.45am 8+yrs
- 19th Feb - PLP Mtg: Mrs Miles-Gavin
- 22nd Feb - PLP Mtg: Miss Williams
- 22nd Feb - PLP Mtg: Miss Kuilder
- 21st Feb - District Swimming Carnival

Welcome Back To School

Strong and Smart students and families



“LOVE CHALLENGES, BE INTRIGUED
BY MISTAKES, ENJOY EFFORT
AND KEEP ON LEARNING.”

CAROL DWECK

Parent Information

Live Life Well @ School

Fundamental Movement Skills at home - Catching

Catching an object is an important skill and links to many social activities such as cricket, netball, football, basketball, and enjoyable playground games for your child.

Practice with your child at home regularly. Try these simple cues:

- Eyes focused on the object
- Cup your hands
- Move to the object
- Bend elbows to absorb the force of the object

Use a range of objects - bean bags, balls, blocks.

For more information: www.healthyactivekids.com.au



Live Life Well @ School



Healthy lunchbox inspirations

- Keep it fresh and healthy
- Avoid packaged snacks full of sugar
- Think small and easy to pick at for kids
- Cookie cut sandwiches for fun shapes
- Separate items with silicone cups

Have fun and be creative!

For more inspiration visit School Lunchbox
www.schoollunchboxblog.wordpress.com/

Scarecrow Design Competition

We have a busy and hard-working Green Team at school. As we begin a new school year, it would be a great time to add a new member- a scarecrow!

This scarecrow will need to be a friendly member of our garden - it's okay if the birds come and chat to it.

Everyone is invited to draw and label their design for a scarecrow.

Please use an A4 piece of paper and include your name. All designs can be placed in the competition box found in the Front Office.



What an amazing partnership!

The school year for 2019 began with another great example of the strong partnership between our hard-working P&C and school. A big thanks to all our parents who volunteered their time to cater for the Staff Development Day.

We are all looking forward to another amazing year for the most important people at school - our students!



P&C NEWSLETTER WEEK 2 TERM 1 2019 4TH FEBRUARY

The P&C would like to welcome everyone back to other fun filled and busy year at Stuarts Point Public School

The P&C will be busy again with lots of events happening throughout the year. Keep an eye out in these newsletters to keep you up to date with future events.

Anyone who has ordered uniforms should find they are now ready for collection. Anyone needing uniforms can find order forms in the office. Items must be paid for in full prior to or at time of collection.

Our canteen is back up and running with yet another yummy and healthy menu. The canteen runs every Friday and orders must be in by 9am. We are always looking for volunteers to help out, so if you can spare just one Friday a term please see Nicole Lilly for more details. If you have a WWC please hand to Robyn in the office or see her for details to obtain one.

Canteen Roster: Week 2 8th Feb Nicole and Holly

Week 3 15th Feb Rachel and Cilla

Our first P&C meeting of the year will be held Week 3 Tuesday 12th February at 9.15am in the Library. We'd love to see you there.

Lee Taylor

Vice President

We need VOLUNTEERS for canteen

PLEASE COMPLETE THE SECTION BELOW AND RETURN TO ROBYN IN THE OFFICE - THANKS



CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS



Full Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone No _____ (hm) _____ (Mobile)

STUARTS POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL – TERM 1 2019 – CANTEEN MENU

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RECESS

Made Fresh Fruit Skewers	\$1.00
Seasonal mixed fruit	
Yoghurt pops straw/mango	\$0.80c
Popcorn	\$0.50c
Pancakes (3 to a serve)	\$1.00
Hot cheese roll - Half	\$0.80c
Full	\$1.50
Custard Cup	\$2.00
Banana Smoothies	\$1.00

LUNCH

Beef or Chicken Burger	\$4.50
Lean Beef or Chicken pattie Lettuce, tomato, beetroot & cheese (GF option pattie, salad on plate or GF bread)	
Home-made Pizza	\$3.00
Ham & cheese / ham, cheese pineapple	
Sandwich or Toastie	\$2.50
Any combo of ham/cheese/tomato	
GF Sandwich or Toastie	\$3.50
Any combo of ham/cheese/tomato	
Ham and salad wrap	\$3.50
Ham, cheese, lettuce, tomato, cucumber	
Salad Bowl	\$3.50
Ham, cheese, lettuce, tomato, cucumber	

DRINKS (available recess and lunch)

100% Fruit juice poppers – Orange, Apple, Apple blackcurrant or Paradise Punch **\$1.50**

Flavoured Milk – Chocolate or Strawberry **\$1.80**

Bottled Water - \$1.00

Canteen operates on Fridays only, please write name, class and order clearly on a brown paper bag.

Orders are to be handed to canteen by 9.00am.

Correct money would be appreciated.

Proudly run by volunteers from Stuarts Point Public School P&C



**fresh
TASTES**
healthy food at school

UNIFORM PRICE LIST

THE P&C HAVE IN STOCK OR CAN ORDER:

School shirts (short sleeve with emblem)	\$15
School shirts (long sleeve with emblem)	\$17
Boy's grey shorts	\$17
Girl's school shorts (maroon check) (to order)	\$17
Girl's summer check tunic (to order)	\$27
Girl's maroon pants	\$20
Boy's long grey trousers	\$20
Sport shirts (collared, house colours –red, yellow, green, blue)	\$15
Black sport shorts	\$13
Hats with emblems	\$10
Maroon Flying Jackets -waterproof with fleecy lining	\$30
Maroon Fleecy Zip-Up Hoodie	\$27
Maroon Fleecy Pull-Over with Hood (to order)	\$22
Fleecy Crew Neck Sweater	\$17
Maroon Rain Jackets (to order)	\$22

