

# Stuarts Point PUBLIC SCHOOL



Term 3 – Week 10  
23rd September 2024

Thanks to the Year 3/4/5/6 students who showed a Growth Mindset when completing the check-in assessments for Reading, Numeracy and Writing. These results are available to our staff immediately and These help inform our teaching and learning programs.



Thanks to Mrs Fatnowna who recently visited to run Ear Health workshops. Each class had an opportunity to learn about their ears, ear health and hearing. We practised blowing our noses correctly and had a chance to ask questions of our special expert visitor.

Peter from Cascade Environmental Centre presented the Waterwise program with all classes last Wednesday. The interactive water education lessons helped us learn about how every drop counts and our responsibility to look after our waterways. We also conducted a water audit on our school.

SRC held Pyjama Day last Thursday and what a day to be all cozy and warm with the return of the cooler weather. We all joined in our peer support groups to talk about Are U OK Day. We raised \$51.50 from the guessing competition and well done to Mrs Finch who won.



Remember, September is National Fruit and Vegetable Month. We have been encouraging students to pack lots of fresh fruit and vegetables in their lunchboxes. Thank you to our awesome families who always support this. We would like to give a big shout out and say thank you to the community members who donate fruit and veg to our school. It is very much appreciated. Thanks a bunch!

This Friday from 9:15am – 11am we will be holding our annual Jump Off Day. Students will have the opportunity to show off some of their mastered skills and routines to family and friends.

We are super excited to see the start of our Ninja Warrior Course and its various obstacles from climbing walls and swinging ropes to balance obstacles, every Ninja obstacle challenges different parts of your body, promoting overall strength, coordination, flexibility and balance.

The K/1 and 1/2/3 excursion is coming up soon!



We will be travelling to the Glasshouse Theatre at Port Macquarie to enjoy a live performance of "The Gruffalo". A permission note with the date and costs for the excursion will go out early in Term 4.

The Kinder Orientation program will commence on Monday 28th October. Kindergarten students for 2025 are welcome to attend. Enrolment forms must be completed prior to the commencement of the program. Thank you to the parents who have returned enrolment forms. Please phone the office for an enrolment package if you are yet to do so.

**Attendance Matters**, supporting positive school attendance is a shared responsibility - everyone has a role. Every day counts, as regular attendance helps students to: develop a sense of belonging, develop and maintain friendships, be more engaged at school, progress with their learning and be more aware of career and life options. If your child is away from school, contact us as soon as possible. This helps us plan continued support for your child's learning and wellbeing.

As a final activity for this term, students who have shown exemplary behaviour and responsibility (STARS – Students Taking Action and Responsibility) by reaching Platinum Award will receive their certificates on Friday. Well done to all the students who are on track to reach our next Pop-Up reward.

Have a safe and happy holiday break and we will see everyone back on Monday 14th October for the commencement of Term 4.

Thanks for your continued support. *Trudy Miles*

# DO YOU HAVE A CHILD STARTING KINDERGARTEN IN 2025?

Here at Stuarts Point Public School we have already begun working with local families and preschools with 2025 enrolments. We have found this early approach helps to create a seamless, stress-free transition into primary school life. If you would like to find out more please call us on 02 6569 0627.

## ORIENTATION

KINDER ORIENTATION FOR ENROLLED STUDENTS

- ✓ Monday 28th October 9.00am - 11.30am
- ✓ Monday 4th November 9.00am - 11.30am
- ✓ Monday 11th November 9.00am - 11.30am
- ✓ Monday 18th November 9.00am - 11.30am
- ✓ Monday 25th November 9.00am - 11.30am

## BIG SCHOOL PROGRAM

We also run our Big School Program every second Thursday as part of our transition program. Please contact the school if you would like further information.

**ENROL NOW TO SECURE YOUR SPOT FOR 2025**

02 6569 0627

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## IMPORTANT REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

**Please return outstanding permission notes as soon as possible.**

**Reminders:** Schools are enclosed lands and therefore no-one is allowed to enter after school hours. If you see strange or suspicious events please report them to the School Security Unit. Phone: 1300 880 021 or the Police on 131 444

### Late arrivals to school

All students arriving at school after 9.00am must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Explanation for lateness will not be accepted by students.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Please visit our school website for more details  
<http://www.stuartsp-t-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

### Week 10

- 27th Sept - JRFH Jump Off 9 - 11am
- Assembly whole school item
- Last Day Term 3

### Upcoming

- 14th Oct - Students and Staff return Term 4
- 16th Oct - Community Garden Program YEC
- 25th Oct - Assembly
- 28th Oct - Kinder Orientation 9 - 11.30am
- 29th Oct - K-3 The Gruffalo excursion
- 4th Nov - Kinder Orientation 9 - 11.30am
- 12th Dec - Presentation Day 9.30am
- 16th Dec - Year 6 Farewell
- 18th Dec - Talent Quest
- Xmas Disco

NSW Department of Education

### Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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### Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss days per year

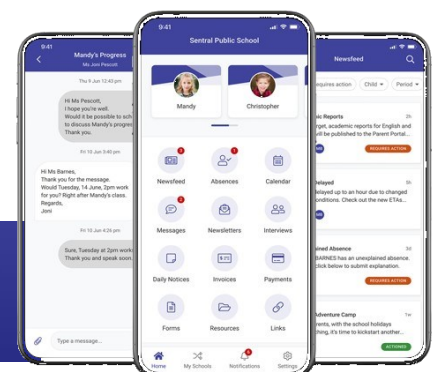
5 mins per day = 3 days

30 mins per day = 18 days

Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

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# AWARD WINNERS WEEK 8



**Merit Award Winners** Vytahnee, Isylah, Lincoln, Hunter, Nellie, Lockie



## Award Winners

Lauren  
Jensen  
Kyla



## Home Reading Award



## Win-Bin Winners

Elise  
Eli  
Cooper

On Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of September 4/5/6 departed school for their major excursion to **Cascade Environmental Education Centre**. We had so much fun! We were accompanied by Mr Hall, Mrs Peachman and Miss O'Toole.



Our first workshop was called 'Bugs in the rainforest.' We used catchers to sieve through the dirt to find different bugs and insects. We also found a snakeskin.  
After this we used clay to mould our own Superbug.



We looked at some history of Cascade and went for a walk to the old railway and sawmill.



On the final day we did a low ropes course which was so much fun (and a bit tricky).

# Learning Corner

## Road safety on holidays

With the school holidays approaching, daily routines often change and everyone is a lot more relaxed. Different play locations and holiday destinations means changed traffic environments and new safety concerns.

To help keep our children safe, we all need to remember these key road safety messages when going on holidays and being in new environments:

### **Point out the road safety differences and dangers.**

- Roads, footpaths, parks, car parks and bike tracks can look very different in holiday areas or maybe totally foreign, especially if going overseas for your holidays.

### **The best way to keep children safe is to actively supervise them.**

- Talk and teach children about road safety every time you are out and about. Even on holidays it is important to actively supervise them.

### **Talk to children about being a safe road user.**

- When out walking talk about the safe decisions you make, they may not have experienced these situations before.

### **Stop, look, listen, think every time you cross the road.**

- If a child is aged 8 years or younger hold their hand when walking near or across roads. Up until at least 10 years old supervise them closely. When on holidays children can often be overly excited and not thinking about being safe.

### **It's the law that everyone wears a helmet when riding a bike in a public place.**

- It also makes good sense to wear a helmet when riding scooters and skateboards too! It is a great way to encourage always wearing a helmet.



Car parks can look different in holiday areas.



Wearing a helmet when riding a bike in a public place is the law.

## **P&C NEWSLETTER WEEK 10 TERM 3**

### Volunteers

Our Canteen is run purely by our volunteers, you may have noticed this term we have had to close it a fair few times, due to lack of volunteers and illness. To keep our canteen open we need everyone to help, even if it's once a term. The more volunteers we have the better, it also means we can look at expanding the menu. Without more support in the future, we may have to close down the running of the canteen next year.

Please get in contact with Samantha or myself via our email [sppspnc@gmail.com](mailto:sppspnc@gmail.com)

### Canteen Menu

We have had a few parents ask to add things to the menu and we would love for this to happen, but again this is where the volunteers come into play. We would also like to remind everyone that we operate under the "Healthy schemes Canteens" this was introduced to our canteen many many years ago before we took over. This also impacts what is placed on the menu.

We have given out a survey to the students at school to ask what they would like to see on the menu it includes what their favorite food is etc in the hope to gage a better idea of what we can add.

### Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be Monday Term 4 Week 3 at 3:15 in the library.

Mika Jeffery

Secretary



# Bushfire danger period information for parents and carers

## Fact sheet

This factsheet provides information for parents and carers about arrangements for the danger period.

The NSW Department of Education has engaged external experts to conduct assessments of all NSW government schools, to identify schools at greater risk of impact from bushfires.

To support the health, safety and wellbeing of students and staff, the department, in consultation with NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS), will direct the school to temporarily cease operations on days when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating has been declared for your school's NSW fire area. Alternative learning arrangements will be put in place for these days.

Schools may be made non-operational due to changing risk conditions and the relevant advice from emergency services.



### What is a Fire Danger Rating?

Fire Danger Ratings describe the potential level of danger should a fire start. The ratings are determined by a combination of factors including air temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and drought.

For further information on the Australian Fire Danger Rating System.

Fire Danger Rating sign

