

# Stratford Public School

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## Term 4 Week 2

Friday 19th October 2012

Welcome back everyone. Hope you had a restful break from the usual daily routine of school life.

Term four is set to be quite busy and as you can see from the term calendar it is filling up very quickly.

A big hello to our new students in the school—Anna in Kindergarten and our future (2013) kindies who are currently attending our Kinder Orientation programme each Wednesday— Henry, Iziss, Brady, Thomas, Eve and Isabella. It is wonderful to see all the “spots” filled during morning assembly each Wednesday!

Thankyou to those families who have returned their surveys this week, it is appreciated. If you have not completed your surveys please give it some thought as we use your responses to gauge how the school has performed throughout the year in the aspects being evaluated. Also your comments and/or ideas about our strengths and weaknesses are valued and acted upon. The evaluation committee would like to have all surveys in by next Wednesday 24 October, so that we can meet and collate them.

The annual swimming scheme commences in weeks 5-6 (5-16 November). Please ensure that your child's note is returned to school ASAP as we need to sort out transport arrangements. If you could transport at least one day per week that would be appreciated. We particularly need transport on both Fridays as this is the only day we do not have two teachers on duty.

Mrs Waters and the primary students went to the Gloucester Council meeting at Stratford Hall on Wednesday armed with questions to ask the councillors. From all accounts their questions were well received so lets hope that some action takes place.

In the past two weeks the weather has been quite erratic to say the least. Last Friday we had some children arrive without jumpers and shorts on and of course the weather turned very bleak indeed. So bleak that we stayed inside at lunchtime. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing that caters for all weather events. Also if your child wore home a school jumper could you please wash it and send it in ASAP.

Also all students need to wear a bucket or broad brim hat each day during playtime. If a student does not have such a hat no-one plays 'out the back' on that day, which is a shame for those who do.

## Stratford Public School primary students with newly elected Mayor John Rosenbaum



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## Assembly

**Assembly Leaders:** Bryce & Vanessa

**Infants:** Anna for being a great member of our class.

**Primary:** Kelsey for independent work tasks.

**Student of the Week:** Anna for giving everything a go!

**Principal's:** Elizabeth, in recognition of her understanding of the needs of her younger peers. And Anna for becoming a valued member of our school community.

## Welcome

We would like to welcome to our special school our new student Anna who has entered Kinder this Term. We also welcome her parents Lesley and Andrew and of course little Sophie. We hope you have settled into the area and are enjoying the changes your move has brought.



## Kindergarten 2013

Our first and second Wednesday's of Kinder Orientation days have gone wonderfully. It has been such fun to see all those happy, excited little people who have been ably cared for and nurtured by the other children. What a lot of little people we will have next year. Mrs. Hughes has put together a great program for them with lots of fun, interesting and stimulating learning activities for the 6 of them, accompanied by Anna our Kinder student.

A big WELCOME to, **Isabella, Thomas, Brady, Eve, Henry and Iziss**. We look forward to the remaining orientation days with you and to seeing you all in 2013.

## Swimming Update

As mentioned in the last newsletter, our school's Intensive Swimming Scheme is scheduled to take place in Weeks 5 & 6. I have confirmed with the pool the costs for the program and they will remain the same as 2011. Each child's admission costs will be \$30 which will need to be paid before the program starts. I have tried to give as much notice as possible to help with financial planning for families. Please remember there is no cost for the program and as we plan to have parent transport again this year this will eliminate the cost of a bus each day. Please keep in mind we will be asking for volunteers for the 10 days to transport students to and from the pool in Gloucester. You would have already received your permission note, please return ASAP. Please remember that if you have an annual membership your child/children will not need to pay admission fees.

## Assembly

Thank you to Mrs. Hughes' class who presented a very nice poem/rhyme for us all on Tuesday about 'The Fridge' I felt I must go home and make some jelly to eat! **Mrs. W**

## Saturday Kids Club - Ages 5 to 13 years

There will be...

- Music
- Drama
- Story telling
- Craft making
- Games
- Activities

Model plane making! Make it and race it!

## Totally free! So be quick and book!

**Where:** Gloucester SDA Church, corner of Hume & Barrington Street.

**When:** Beginning 13th October and then fortnightly from then on.

**Time:** 10—11.15am

**Bookings:** Phone or SMS Kate on 0419 499 619

**Don't miss out on the fun!**

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