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Term 2- Week 4 2014

Friday, 20th June 2014

It is with pleasure that I would like to announce that as of Monday the 16th June 2014 I have taken over as permanent principal of Stratford Public School. After a long and demanding selection process I was successful in gaining the permanent position.

I would like to thank all of the staff, parents and community members who have supported me throughout my time as relieving principal and I look forward to continuing and strengthening these relationships in the future.

Centenary Celebrations

On Tuesday the 17th June a committee meeting was held to begin more formal organisation of the centenary celebrations to be held on the 25th of October 2014. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 16th July at 3pm.

Working With Children's Check. (WWCC)

In order to participate either as a paid worker or a volunteer ALL people must have a current working with children's check. This includes transporting children to school events and volunteering in and around the school. Attached to last weeks newsletter was important information surrounding how to apply for your WWCC . If you are interested in applying for your check but do not have the access to a computer to complete this application please contact the school office for a suitable time to do this with access to a school computer. All activities at school need to be covered by this WWCC, including BBQ's, Mother's/ Father's day stalls, canteen, reading, student transport, cooking etc. If you have not got a cleared check unfortunately you will not be able to volunteer in any capacity at school.

Sydney Jewish Museum Excursion

On Wednesday, 28th May Mrs Sansom transported our students from years 5 and 6 to Sydney to attend the Anne Frank exhibition at the Jewish Museum. This entailed a very, very early start for her and the girls (5.45am ewwww!). The trip was extremely worthwhile with the girls exposed to a talk from a holocaust survivor as well as the Anne Frank exhibition and the museum itself. It provoked lots of thought and empathy and a much greater understanding of this tragic time in our history. A huge thank you to Mrs Sansom who drove for 7-8 hours to ensure her students have the same educational exposure as students from much larger schools. Thank you!



Cupcake Day

What a fantastic achievement for our Stage 3 students and all students and teachers who supported the Cup Cake Day last week. They raised a grand total of \$62.95 which will be forwarded to the Curtis Landers Road to Recovery support appeal. We are very proud to be part of this local fundraiser and what our small band of students have achieved. Well done!

Have a great weekend

Mrs Hughes-Principal

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Zoo Snooze

This is the final newsletter for Term 2 and before the excursion, please ensure that if you have changed any information including addresses, phone numbers or medical information that you have updated this in the office. If you have any queries or questions before we leave for Sydney next Thursday please approach the office ASAP.

Crazzzzzzy Hair Day

Don't forget that next Monday, 23rd June is Crazy Hair Day to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis. All students can come to school with a crazy hair style for the day as long as they have a gold coin donation. The more we raise the more help can go to people with Cystic Fibrosis. Please support this fantastic cause and be as creative as you want!

Mrs Dani Ryll Prac Student

For the last 4 weeks Stratford School has had the pleasure of Mrs Dani Ryll as a prac student. Mrs Sansom has been her supervising teacher during this period. As most of you know, Dani has been a regular and committed P & C member and parent in her years at Stratford and is now moving forward into the final year of her studies to become a primary school teacher. We and the students have enjoyed her time with us and we hope she will have good memories of this time also.

Attached to this weeks newsletter are some examples of our senior students work. These are 'report texts'. They had to interview people and write an appropriate report that could be published. They worked with Mrs Ryll and have produced some very good articles I think. Well done!

Welcome

A big, warm Stratford welcome to our 2 new students who joined us this week. Josh who is in year 3 and Savannah who is in year 1. They have slotted into place just perfectly and have made new friends quickly. WELCOME!

School Photos

To help with family budgeting I just wanted to inform you that Wednesday, 6th August has been booked for school photos this year. Term 3, week 4. Envelopes with package choices and prices will be sent home early in Term 3.

Term Three

Students return to school for Term 3 on **Tuesday, 15th July**. Monday is a Staff Development Day, no staff will be present on this day.

Small Schools Athletics Carnival

How wonderful that the sun was shining yesterday! Lovely weather is so much more enjoyable for everyone involved with these carnivals.

What a fantastic day everyone had. It was great to see all students getting in and giving it a go, from our newest Kindergarten students up to our senior girls.

We did see quite a bit of success for our little school;

School Overall: 4th Stratford PS

Shot Put: 1st Brady

Shot Put: 3rd Connor

Shot Put: 2nd Erwin

Shot Put: 1st Krystal

Shot Put: 3rd Lilly

Age Race: 1st Savannah

Age Race: 2nd Malia

Age Race: 3rd Indira

200mtrs: 3rd Indira

Long Jump: 1st Malia

Juvenile Relay: 2nd -Malia, Thomas, Brady and Savannah

A special thank you to Brooke for her support, help and encouragement for all of our students on the day.

Brooke did a great job of organising our relay teams and making sure they were in the right place. Your help was very much appreciated, thank you!

Great sportsmanship everybody!

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