

# Stratford Public School

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## Term 2 - Week 4 - 2017

### Wednesday 17th May 2017

Some up and coming dates for excursions and current information are as follows;

The school leaders will be attending the GRIP Leadership Conference in Forster on the 30th May. This conference and bus charges will be fully funded by school.

On Monday 19th June the whole school will be joining Gloucester PS for NAIDOC celebrations this day is being run by an external Aboriginal group, there will be a cost attached. TBA.

On Wednesday 21st June we attend the musical performance 'Into the Woods' at Gloucester HS, there will be a cost attached. TBA.

On Friday 23rd June the whole school will travel by bus to Newcastle to attend the Disney on Ice show. This excursion comes at a cost of \$1287 for the bus and performance. It is being fully funded by school.

The Small Schools Athletics' Carnival is set for Wednesday 14th June in Tuncurry as per usual. Parents will be expected to transport their children to this event as in previous years.

School photos are booked for the 31st August, Term 3.

Intensive Swimming will be in Term 4 as usual.

Please see payment schedule for the Taronga Zoo Excursion over the page. I hope this information helps with family budgeting, we do try to give as

## Absences

Any and all absences need to be explained via a written note on the day the children return back to school from their absence. This note needs to have the dates absent and the reason stated in detail. 'Sick' does not meet the Department's Attendance Policy Guideline. The note needs to specify which/what sickness. If students are off for a prolonged period of illness they will need a doctors certificate.

All absence data, days, reasons etc are harvested from our school weeks 5 and 10 of every term and sent to the Home School Liaison Officer for our region for analysis and reporting reasons.

Please note that we have a number of students who have already fallen below the 85% expected attendance rate!

## Change of Family Details

It is essential that all families notify school of any changes to family details ASAP. Addresses, phone numbers, medical information, emergency contacts etc. This information will be carried into the new system so needs to be as current as possible. Also we need to be able to contact families, sometimes in a hurry and at times we have had old phone numbers! We thank you for your help in this matter.

## Dates to Remember

**15th May: Second Excursion Instalment Due \$20 p/p**

24th May: Assembly 2.30pm

26th May: SRC Cupcake Day

30th May: GRIP Leadership Conference

12th June: Queens's Birthday Public Holiday

13th June: P & C Meeting 1pm

14th June: Combined Small Schools Athletics Carnival

19th June: NAIDOC Day at GPS

21st June: GHS Musical

22nd: SRC Fundraiser Device Day for Starlight Foundation

23rd June: Disney on Ice

30th June: Last day of term 2

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## Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Felicity who turned 8 on the 5th May!



## P & C News

Thank you to those people who attended yesterday's P & C Meeting. Our next one is in week 8, 13th June. As of Term 3 our P & C Meetings will be held in weeks 2 and 8 on a Tuesday at 1pm.

## Taronga Zoo Snooze Excursion

The outstanding excursion payment for the Zoo Snooze is \$80. This will need to be paid in full by the beginning of August. (All NSW schools will be changing to a new financial system shortly after and to finalise as many things already in the old system will be needed), meaning all payments will have to be finalised by beginning of August.

A payment schedule has been put together for amounts outstanding.

**15th May - \$20 due - Overdue**

5th June - \$20 due

26th June - \$20 due

24th July - \$20 due

You are welcome to pay more frequently or pay larger amounts if you wish, otherwise please ensure the payment schedule above is used. Thank you.

## SRC Cup Cake School Fundraiser

Next Friday 26th May the SRC are holding a Cup Cake fundraiser Day as organised in their fundraising activities for the year with Mrs Sansom. This is the second for 2017.

Could all families send in either, 12 individual cup cakes/muffins, one slice to be cut into individual portions, or one large cake to be divided



into individual serves.

This way we will have enough to sell/buy on the day but will not be overloaded. Prices will range from 50c to \$1 depending on the product/size.



Thank you in anticipation of your support.

## Stewart House High Bounce Balls

We still have 10 balls left for sale in the office if anyone would like to grab another ball or maybe stick one in your present box at home. \$3 each and all proceeds towards the Stewart House Children's Charity.

## Sporting Schools

We were lucky enough to gain Sporting Schools Funding again for this term and we have Ben from Hockey Australia attending our school on Friday afternoons this term. Our children gain valuable skills in individual sports and learn fair play and sportsmanship at the same time.



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