

Term 2, Week 9- 28 June 2024

STRATFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL

A proud member of the Bucketts Way Community of Schools



Term 2, Week 9, 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

As we move into the cooler months, it's essential to remember that wearing a hat is still crucial for protecting our students from the sun's harmful rays during outdoor activities. We ask that every student brings a hat to school every day. Our 'spare' hats have certainly dwindled away. Let's make sun safety a priority to ensure our children stay healthy and happy while enjoying the beautiful weather.

At our school, we believe that a strong connection to our school community is foundational for our students' success and well-being. This connection fosters a sense of belonging and creates an environment where every student feels valued and supported. We encourage students to participate in school events, attend camps/excursions, and engage with their peers and teachers. By nurturing these relationships, we build a vibrant and inclusive school community where everyone thrives.

I am delighted to see the positive impact of our ongoing gratitude practice. Our students have embraced these conversations with enthusiasm, and it's heartwarming to hear their expressions of thankfulness for staff and peers. Practicing gratitude not only boosts individual happiness but also strengthens our community. It reminds us to appreciate the little things and fosters a positive school environment. Thank you to everyone who has been actively participating and encouraging this practice in the classroom and we hope to extend this to the home.

Let's continue to work together to make our school a safe, connected, and grateful place. Your support and involvement are greatly appreciated as we strive to provide the best possible experience for our students.

Kind regards,

Toni Johnson

Principal

CALENDAR:

2024 - Term 2

- Week 10 - Meal Deal lunch 2/7
- Week 10 - Pyjama day 4/7
- Week 10 - End of term Assembly 5/7 2.00pm
- Week 10 - Last day of term 5/7

2024- Term 3

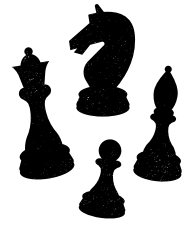
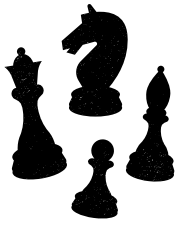
- Week 1 - Staff return 22/7
- Week 1 - Students return 23/7
- Week 2 - Zone Athletics 2/8



Class Awards

Cooper W
Rylan P





Chess Competition

Congratulations to Cooper, Matthew, Aiden and Rylan for their participation in the Primary Schools Chess Competition. They all played very well and represented our school with pride. Everyone went home with smiles on their face, coming first in our division with bellies full of ice cream!





Winter Pyjama Day



STAY
WARM

Pyjama

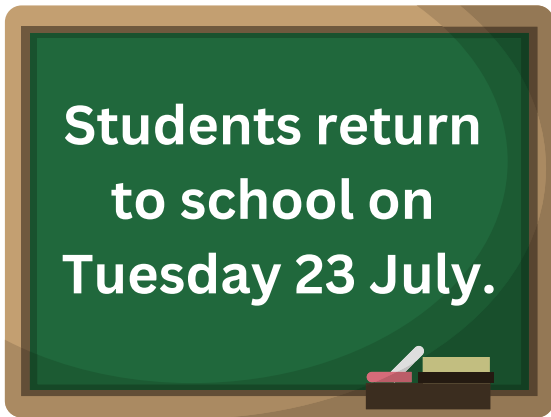
All staff and students are invited to wear their warm, winter pyjamas on Thursday 4th July.

There may be some fun activities on the day too!
Please bring a gold coin donation to contribute to the Year 6 Fun Day at the end of the year.



PLEASE WEAR SENSIBLE FOOTWEAR





REGISTER NOW

TAREE HOLIDAY CLINIC

Taree Zone Fields

JULY 8TH - JULY 10TH

9AM - 12PM

Register Here:
<https://www.cognitoforms.com/FootballMidNorthCoast/FMNCSchoolHolidayFootballTAREEJuly2024>

A circular logo for Football Mid North Coast. It features a soccer ball in the center, with the text "EST 2005" above it and "FOOTBALL MID NORTH COAST" below it. The logo is set against a background of a soccer field.

IMAGINE THE FUN

A logo for "Cricket Blast" featuring a cricket ball and the text "Cricket Blast" in a stylized font.

HARRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
FREE School Holiday Cricket Program
For kids aged 5 - 12
Tue 9 July: 9.30am - 3.30pm

TO REGISTER, SCAN THE QR CODE OR GO TO:
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/59e158>



Enquiries: Email Tighan.Tosen@cricketnsw.com.au

GLOUCESTER BASKETBALL

Free School Holiday Basketball Clinics

With Jackson Kirkwood

Monday 8th July 2024

- 9am-10am 8-12yrs
- 10am -1130am 13-15yrs
- 12noon - 130pm Girls 12-18yrs
- 1:30pm - 3pm 15-18yrs (and rep players)

Tuesday 9th July 2024

- 9am-10am 8-12yrs
- 10am -1130am 13-15yrs
- 12noon - 130pm Girls 12-18yrs
- 1:30pm - 3pm 15-18yrs (and rep players)

Open to all children aged 8-18yrs.
To register or for more info message Kate 0418263219
Or via our Gloucester Basketball Facebook page



Price
\$45
per student for
2 mornings

\$22.50 per day



TENNIS CLINIC

About This Camp

The Winter Coaching Clinic Conducted by **Greg Billingham** –
Level 2 Club Professional Affiliated with
TENNIS AUSTRALIA.



Gloucester District Tennis Courts
Gloucester District Park, Boundary St, 2422



How to Register

Contact Greg Billingham on 0414 552 966
or Email bill62@bigpond.com

Clinic 1

9th - 10th July 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Clinic 2

16th - 17th July 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Contact

Name: Greg Billingham

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Phone: 0414 552 966

*Please note that all participants need to become members of the Gloucester District Tennis Association. Please find membership access at <https://play.tennis.com.au/gloucesterdistricttennisassociation>
All participants will need to show proof of membership on first day of clinic.

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

YEAR 6 STUDENTS

Dates to Remember

GHS School Photos - Thursday 13 February 2025
Term 1 Week 3

Great Aussie Bush Camp -
Monday 3 March 2025 to Wednesday 5 March 2025
Term 1 Week 6

 		
Bell Times 2024 – 5 Period Day		
Time Slot	MONDAY	TUESDAY to FRIDAY
Warning Bell	8.55am	9:00am
Roll Call	8.57am	9:02am
End of Roll Call	Assembly (15min)	9:10am (10min)
Period 1	9:15am (1hr)	9:10am (1hr)
Period 2	10:15am (1hr)	10:10am (1hr)
RECESS	11:15am (30min)	11:10am (30min)
Warning Bell	11:43 am	11:38am
Period 3	11:45am (1hr)	11:40am (1hr)
Period 4	12:45am (1hr)	12:40pm (1hr)
LUNCH	1:45PM (30min)	1:40PM (30min)
Warning Bell	2:13pm	2:08pm
Period 5	2:15pm (1hr)	2:10pm (1hr)
Lessons Finish	3.15pm	3.10pm
Buses leave	3:20pm	3:20pm

Year 7 2025 – Bring your Own Device (BYOD) Program

When your child starts Year 7 in 2025 they will be part of our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program, so will be required to bring along a laptop each day for use at school.

We run a BYOD program as we are committed to continuing to move students and staff forward in a contemporary learning environment. Our ongoing goal, which is crucial to our School Plan, is to enhance the use of technology within our classrooms, with a target of a device for each and every student.

The primary aim of having a device is to support learning. To do this, it's important that the machine has the appropriate features and speed. It has been our experience that cheaper machines are often slower, and often do not have the appropriate features, are flimsy in design, or the wrong operating system. They also tend to have short warranties. Based on this, they don't last the minimum distance that we would hope to achieve when purchasing a PC.

We recognise that researching the many devices and operating systems that are available can be difficult, so we set out to assist parents with finding PC's of a good standard and convenient warranty. We wish they were cheaper for our families, but the cheaper ones often do not support learning.

Our school has registered with the Hewlett Packard (HP) BYOD program, where we are able to specify laptops that have the right functionality and specifications to see your child through at least 3 years at school. The laptops come with a 3-year onsite warranty (no need to send the laptop away if something goes wrong). There is also optional Accidental Damage Protection (ADP) available through HP, should you be concerned about an accident occurring with your child and their laptop. This is offered in a set number of claims over the 3-year period (see HP website for more information).

HP are currently finalising the laptops they will have available for purchase from Term 4 2024 and we will advise Year 6 parents as soon as we know what these are. If you are thinking of purchasing as part of a Christmas or birthday present, then late in Term 4 is the ideal time to do this. We don't encourage families to purchase too far ahead of their child starting Year 7, as the warranty on the PC starts as soon as it is delivered, and we want this to be as long as possible for you. It is very important that your child has their device when Year 7 starts, so we can have them set up and ready to go at the start of the year.

All our BYOD information and links can be found on our website under [student BYOD](#).

Of course, you can choose to purchase elsewhere, but please be mindful of the things identified above (speed, features, solid design and warranty).

If you have a specific device (laptop) that you are looking at buying, and would like to know if it's suitable, please contact the school, as we are happy to have a look and help.

Name: _____

Meal DEAL



Stratford Public School

Menu

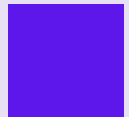
The students have voted and have decided that the Meal Deal choices for Term 2 - Tuesday 2nd July are meat pies and fried chicken.

Please complete the order form and bring in by Monday along with the money.



Please tick:

The P Deal



Number:

Total cost:

The FR Deal



Number:

Total:

The P deal:

Pie, Poppa, Pretzels and Peaches

\$6

The FR deal

Fried chicken, fruit juice, french fries (the cold kind) and fresh fruit

\$6

I have enclosed

\$ _____.

Please complete this form
and send it in on Monday