



Sturt Public School

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Newsletter

Crazy Hair Day

Our SRC held a Crazy Hair Day last week, which was a huge success. Staff and students managed some impressive hairdos, some even had wigs! The day raised nearly \$520 towards supporting the bush fire victims. Thank you everyone for supporting this worthy cause.

Bag Racks

We are very excited with our new green bag racks in the Stage 1 block. Thank you to Paul Ams, the father of Abby, who so generously donated his time to build these. As parents would be aware, storage of students' bags is always an issue and these racks will keep them up and out of the walkways. We are very grateful to Paul and to the two fathers who helped him install them.

3-6 Concert

This event was a huge success. The evening performance was sold out quickly and the matinee was well attended. The students were very impressive in each of the performances. Thank you to the teachers who organised outfits and polished their class performances. Thank you to Miss Rose and Mrs Murray who produced the concert, with Miss Rose also being instrumental in putting some of these items together. Thank you also to the Koorinal High School Tech crew who provided our lighting.

K-2 Concert

Following on from our very successful 3-6 Concert last week, we look forward to the K-2 Christmas Concert on Thursday 12th December at 11.30. Please note tickets are on sale and we strongly suggest the purchase of tickets as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Staffing Changes

Following our merit selection process, I am excited to announce that Mrs Murray was the successful applicant and she will be a permanent teacher here at Sturt Public School. Mrs Murray has been a part of Sturt for a number of years and we are delighted that we will be able to further utilise her skills and expertise in the years to come.

On a sadder note, we will farewell Ms Jones Yr 4 teacher and Assistant Principal. Ms Jones has accepted a teaching position in Cambodia beginning in 2020. Ms Jones has been with us for a number of years and contributed a great deal to Sturt P.S. especially with the instigation of our school band. We wish Ms Jones all the best in her new teaching post.

Captain Speeches

Five girl and five boy candidates did a wonderful job presenting their captain speeches on Monday morning. They all spoke well and presented plausible reasons as to why they should be considered as captains for 2020. Thank you to the family members who came along and supported these students. The successful captains and vice captains will be announced on Presentation Day.

Schools Spectacular

Our students performed in four shows over two days at the Qudos Arena in Homebush for this year's Schools Spectacular. They did a fantastic job and we look forward to watching the show on Saturday night on WIN at?

Year 6 Fete

Year 6 Fete was once again a huge success. Our Year 6 students led their own fundraising activities to raise funds for them to buy a gift for the school to recognise the end of primary school. There were many activities to be enjoyed by all students K-6, from 'SMASH THE Jaffa' to guessing competitions, to competing with robots, throwing the sponge or plate of cream to hit a Year 6 student, milkshakes, face painting and so much more. Well done Year 6 and to their supporting teachers.

Presentation Day

Our Presentation Day will be held on Tuesday 10th December at 11.30. This is a formal opportunity to recognise the achievements of our students in 2019. All parents, carers and family members are welcome to attend.

K-6 Class Party Days

Please note school finishes on Wednesday 18th December and the class parties will be held on Tuesday 17th December. A separate flyer will be sent out with more details for this event, closer to the date.

Kerry Barker
Principal



SPORTS REPORT

A big thank you to all our students, teachers and parents who have made our 2019 sports program a success. Without all your help and support we would not be able to run such a great program for our students.

If you are looking for something to do in the holidays a great activity is to take your child to the pool and practise swimming 50m. This will encourage your child to participate in their age race at the Swimming Carnival. We take all Year 2 students who are turning 8 in 2020 right through to our 13 year olds.

Susan Brasier
Sports Coordinator

Dates for next year :

Sturt PS Swimming Carnival - 11/2/20

Sturt PS Athletics Carnival - 25/3/20

OUTSTANDING STUDENT



Jack H

of

Waratah

for

Outstanding application,
enthusiasm and effort in all
learning tasks.

STURT PS APP

How to download Sturt PS App:

- From your mobile device go to the App Store (iPhone/iPad) OR Google Play (Android) search for School Stream and download the app to your phone
- Make sure you agree to push notifications
- Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type Sturt Public School into the search THEN select.
- Add either your email, mobile number or Facebook details and a code will be sent for you to verify. These details are sent to our school app admin for approval.

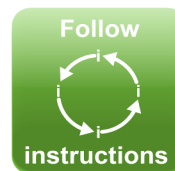


AWARDS - TERM 4 WEEK 8

CLASS	MERIT	HOW 2 Learn
Kangaroo	Amanuiel T Ashton D	Ethan B Amira S
Kookaburra	Arlen L Jessica P	Khalid H Montgomery S
Koala	Araydia D Hugo B	Amelia H Moziah K
Emu	Henry D Ethan C	Airlee O Alexander B
Goanna	Angus M Ruby P	Milla T Ace N
Platypus	Hunter S Austin H	Abby A Tyler L
Wombat	Houston Z Carl U	Ellyn S Nubaid J
Acacia	Love P Callum K	Cooper N Drew M
Waratah	Emilyn S Zahli S	Rhys K Fletcher W
Banksia	Amelia W Charlotte D	Caden F Rhys S
Hakea	Quade S Daasebre A	Colby S Jorja W
Snowy	Tyler S Lex C	Stephanie C Ryder P
Murrumbidgee	Taylor B Allira K	Hamish H Cael S
Darling	Toni S Astrid W	Wade P Mackenzie D
Lachlan	Lucy A Sue Nguyen	Will W Antonia S

STURT P.S CODES OF BEHAVIOUR

This week we are looking at the code **Be Safe**.
We will be discussing how to **Follow Instructions**.



SRC – A YEAR IN REVIEW

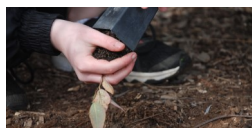
This year each class elected an SRC representative in Term 1 and again in Term 3. The SRC have met 5 times per term to discuss important school and community issues.

In Term 1 we raised money to establish our school vegetable garden. We sold Spalding Handballs and with the money, we were able to buy a variety of fruits and vegetables to plant in the garden.

During Term 3 we participated in National Tree Day and worked together with Mrs Telford to plant trees in the gardens around our school. We were able to harvest our fruit and vegetables from the school vegetable garden and taste what we had grown. In Term 3, we also held a hugely successful “Obstacool” day. Students were required to seek sponsorship which enabled them to participate. A blow-up obstacle course was erected on our school oval and students were able to run, climb, crawl and slide the course. We raised over \$11,000. The money is going towards new playground equipment for our school.

In Term 4, the students wanted to show support to those affected by the bushfires. We held a “Crazy Hair Day” which was popular amongst students and staff and enabled our school to contribute nearly \$520 to The Bushfire Appeal.

Katie Mott & Clair Schneider
SRC Coordinators



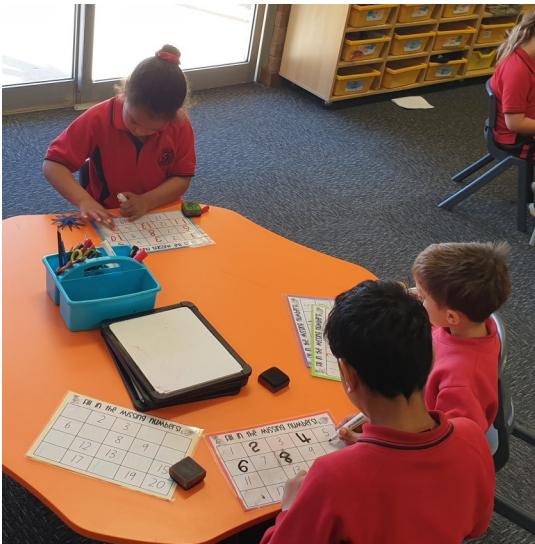
KOALA



Elliott and I had fun sharing the lego. By Ryan



We love listening to each other read books.
By Claire



We are good at writing our numbers.
By Moziah and Jett



I love helping others during cooperative play. By Grace



Xavier and I had fun adding numbers.
By Elliott

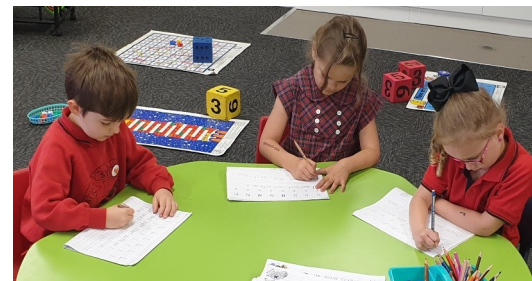
We did a funny puppet show about The Big Bad Wolf.
By Xavier and Maddison



We laughed a lot drawing our body parts.
By Sydney



I jump in the water and have so much fun.
By Araydia



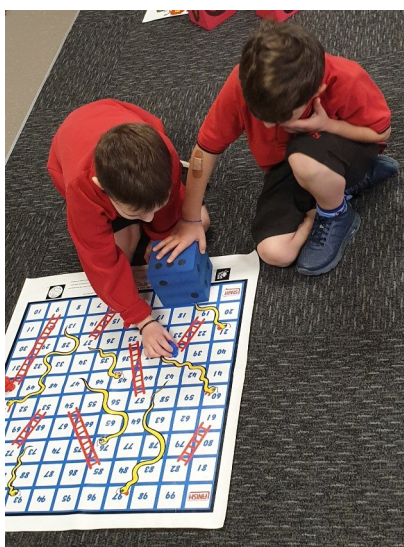
My group and I are practising our handwriting.
By Ava

I made a giraffe out of unifix cubes.
By Larnie

Swimming on Friday is the best. By Amelia



Playing trains with my friends is great. By Hugo



Rebar and I played Snakes and Ladders.
By Hunter



We love reading with Mrs Gooden and our special parent helpers.
By Mackenzie.

I like learning the sounds and sound-ing words out.
By Nevaeh.



I like spelling and writing about my weekend using the phonics chart.
By Lillie

REMINDERS

WEEK 8

Friday 6 December Kinder Swim School

WEEK 9

Tuesday 10 December Presentation Day

Thursday 12 December K-2 Christmas Concert

Friday 13 December Kinder Swim School

WEEK 10

Wednesday 18 December Last day for 2019

2020

TERM 1

SAVE THE DATE

Monday 27 January Public Holiday

Tuesday 28 January Staff Return

Wednesday 29 January Students Return

Monday 3 February Kindergarten 2020 Begin

Tuesday 11 February Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 18 February School Photos

Wednesday 25 March Athletics Carnival

P&C NEWS

Hi Everyone,

It's unbelievable that we are at the end of Term 4 and the end of the year. This is my last address for 2019.

Hopefully 2019 brought heaps of happiness and good luck in your life. P&C wishes the same for 2020 for you and your family.

In 2019 we have witnessed heaps of events, celebrations and some remarkable achievements from students. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Principal, Teachers, SASS staff, Canteen Manager, P&C executive team and most importantly our wonderful parent volunteers who have rendered their support throughout the year. P&C would not have been able to organise any event without your support and contribution.

We are now working on the 2020 event calendar. Any suggestions are welcome. The next P&C meeting will be on 25th February 2020.

If you have any suggestion or concern, please don't hesitate to contact me on sturtpublicpandc@gmail.com or on 0435472995.

Together we can make a great difference.

Saba Nabi
P&C President

STURT P&C CANTEEN

Roster - Week 9 Term 4 - 9am—1.30pm

\$5 Meal Deal - Toasted chicken, cheese & sweet chilli sauce wrap with popcorn.

Monday Help needed please

Wayne Pigram (am)

Tuesday

Presentation Day

Wednesday

Lisa R (am)

Thursday

Help needed please

Friday

Help needed please x 2 please
12:30 - KW

Roster - Week 10 Term 4 - 9am—1.30pm

NO SPECIAL THIS WEEK

Monday Help needed please

Tuesday

Wayne Pigram (am)

Wednesday

Lisa R (am) and Samone M
LAST DAY - LIMITED STOCK

CANTEEN NEWS

Thank you to all our amazing 2019 volunteers, please pop in to the canteen and pick out your small random fun gift of appreciation. It's a River & Wren Advent Calendar "lucky dip". The students, Staff, P&C and I are so appreciative of the time you have put in.

We also have some long term canteen volunteers finishing their time at Sturt this year. Thank you for your ongoing dedication and support over your time here.

2020 is bringing some changes to the canteen which should hopefully be more attractive to volunteers (timewise) and keep us very busy while we have fun. We will need more volunteers from 9.15 to 11.45 time slots in 2020, so please keep us in mind for a regular day or pop in when you can.

If you are a family leaving Sturt, please use up any My School Connect advance payments (if applicable) or contact them to get a refund. If you are continuing at Sturt in 2020, you don't need to do anything.

Jo 0400840223

sturtcanteen@gmail.com

NOTES SENT HOME

- Stage 3, 2020 Melbourne/Ballarat/Bendigo
- Year 6 Farwell

HELPING YOUR CHILD TO LEARN

This will be the final Learning and Support Team article for 2019. Wow, the year certainly went fast. Of course none of us were saying that in the middle of the year.

Our team has supported many students and staff throughout the year. Our aim is to cater for any student experiencing specific learning difficulties, whether it is individual or group instruction.

The class room teacher has an enormous job catering to all the different learning styles and abilities in the classroom and through continued assessment and planning, we try and support the teacher as well as the students.

This year, we were very fortunate to employ more SLSOs for each stage. All Kindergarten classes began the term with an SLSO to help them settle into school life and school routines. Every Stage had access to an SLSO to implement programs for those students who needed that extra little bit of help and allow the teachers to have ability groups with explicit instruction.

Every three weeks out Support Team meet and discuss educational issues that affect some of our students. From there these students are observed and recommendations are made to the classroom teacher. If the student needs more intensive support then they are tested for the many individual and group programs depending on their need.

The Learning Support team also gather the data that is a map for every student's learning journey.

This data is analysed by the Learning and Support teacher and those students who will need extra tuition in 2020 are targeted. So from the beginning of 2020 school year these students will get the necessary help to move them towards their goals.

Every student at Sturt deserves the best education and we think we are providing this. The Learning Support Team would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas!!!!

Debbie Imrie
Learning Support



Capitalising

Innovatrix is always trying to find out more!

CAPITALISING

When we stretch this learning muscle we:

- Learn from many different sources – people, books, the Internet, music, the environment, experience...
- Make intelligent use of all kinds of things to aid learning

To help your child capitalise at home, you can say:

- Where else might we go to find out about this?
- Who could help you?
- What can we use to help us with that?
- That was great. What else could we have used to improve it further?

SCRAPHEAP CHALLENGE:

Have you got any random objects lying around the house? E.g. copper tube, red cloth, felt tip pen, blue tack.

Your challenge is to make as many objects as you can out of these unused objects. Remember to use your imagining and perseverance skills.

SPS CONTACTS

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OFFICE HOURS	Mon - Thurs 8:45am - 3:30pm Fri 9am - 3:30pm
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CANTEEN	sturtcanteen@gmail.com 9:30AM - 1:30PM
BEFORE & AFTER	02 6926 1643
SCHOOL CARE	This is an externally operated service.

FUN HEALTHY CHRISTMAS SNACKS

