Term 2, Week 10 2 July, 2020



Bulletin

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

END OF TERM 2

Well here we are at the end of Term 2 and what an interesting time it has been! We have moved from learning at home, to one day per week, to full time face to face learning. Thank you to all of you who have supported your children's learning and ensured there was continuity. Some students have taken the changes in their stride and enjoyed the opportunity of learning from home and having more time with their family. Others however, struggled to adapt and have continued to struggle as they have returned full time to their classrooms. We look forward to Term 3 being an opportunity for settled and positive growth for all students.

SNOWY

We farewell Mrs Lauren Sykes, teacher of Snowy, who is going on Maternity Leave next term. We wish her the best of luck as she moves on to this exciting phase in her life. Mr James Samson has spent some time this term working with Snowy, so we are excited that he will be continuing with the class for the remainder of the year.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

COVID-19 has certainly curtailed many of the opportunities we are usually able to offer to our students. We are excited to announce that next term Robotics will be starting on Wednesday afternoons in Week 1 and the Chess Competition will begin on Fridays in Week 2. Please note that parents are still unable to come onto school grounds so students will have to meet their parents, at the school gate at the completion of these activities. Debating and Public Speaking will also take place. There will be more details on these activities to follow.

TOM

Tournament of Minds will be slightly different this year with the competition entries to be submitted by film and there will be no State level championship. Students who are successful in the Sturt EOI process, will be working in their teams during school time on Fridays, until Week 6.

COUNSELLOR/LEARNING SUPPORT

Here at Sturt, we have a very strong Learning and Support Team who work hard to support our students' learning for both remediation and extension. We are very lucky to have our School Counsellor, Aaron Johnston, as part of our Learning and Support team, one and a half days per week. Aaron works at other schools during the rest of the week. As such, if there is a referral for Aaron to meet with a student or family, it is raised at the Learning and Support Team and prioritised. Please note that given the limited time allocated to our school, the time frame may be several weeks before the referral can be addressed. To support families, we have introduced a notification for parents so that they are aware of the approximate waiting time. If you have concerns, please feel free to contact the school.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

Reports were sent home today. Please note that these are quite different to our normal reports. They have included students' personal goals as COVID-19 interrupted our normal 3 Way Conferences in Term 1. The report is a shorter one due to the interruptions to face to face learning. If you have any questions please contact the school via phone or email, in order to talk to your child's classroom teacher.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Sturt Public School is currently accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2021. Early indication of intention to enrol allows for a more accurate future School Planning Process. If you live in the Sturt Enrolment Zone you are able to enrol in our school by completing an Enrolment Form and providing documentation such as a Birth Certificate, Proof of Address, Immunisation details and Health Care Plans. NSW Public School Finder (online) is available to check if you are in zone for Sturt Public School. Unfortunately, we are unable to take any out of zone enrolments. If you have any questions please contact the office 69225087.

Have a happy and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing our students return on Tuesday 21st July.

Kerry Barker Principal

STEAMDANCE OUTREACH

This term all students have attended virtual workshops from the STEAMDANCE OUTREACH team from The Australian Ballet. The workshops link curricular outcomes with health and wellbeing and the arts. All students enjoyed the experience, loved watching the accompanying performance and learnt how dance can be a tool not only for our physical health but our mental health also.

















ICAS 2020 - GOING AHEAD IN TERM 3

For all students interested in participating in the ICAS Examinations, follow the link below to register and pay. Our school code is GRN903. Parents will be able to make payment for ICAS directly to UNSW Global until Sunday 26 July.

https://www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au/educational-assessments/products/icas-assessments/

OUTSTANDING STUDENT



Emma D

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Wombat

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Consistently doing her best in all areas of learning.

AWARDS - TERM 2 WEEK 10

CLASS	MERIT	HOW 2 Lea
Kangaroo	Ethan R Natalie L	Lachlan H Elsie L
Kookaburra	Sophie T Disas T	William S Zoe D
Koala	Agang A Iteoluwa A	Yunhan W Guli Q
Emu	Anna B Xavier A	Dallas D Lando W
Goanna	Brook S Alfred R	Rocco P Bromley N
Platypus	Grace O Grace L	Jade G Ruby P
Wombat	Cecilia C Beau K	Elliott B Summer S
Acacia	Ella-Rose G Keira O	Gracie R Winter D
Waratah	Nayden H Logan S	Campbell F Max P
Banksia	Caitlyn p Olive H	Austin H Cruz S
Hakea	Chase C Matilda M	Shyer K Annabella T
Snowy	John L Dax S	Tyler D
Murrumbidgee	Joe S Bailey N	Don-Darrel A Gemma M
Darling	Tully B Koby F	Ella G Cooper H
Lachlan	Milo T Oliver M	Antonia S Mimi S
Clarence	Daisy V Oliver S	Tilli M Joshua H



Cooperative learning is an educational approach which aims to organise classroom activities into academic and social learning experiences. There is much more to Cooperative Learning than merely arranging students into groups, and it has been described as "structuring positive interdependence"

There are 5 Principles of Cooperative Learning:

- **1. Positive interdependence** group members perceive they are linked with each other in a way that one cannot succeed unless everyone succeeds.
- **2. Promotive interaction** where members share resources and help support, encourage and praise each other's efforts.
- **3. Individual and group accountability** the group is accountable for achieving its goals, and also each member is accountable for their contribution and learning.
- **4.** Interpersonal and small group skills are developed through cooperative learning, such as communication, positive reinforcement, constructive feedback and problem solving.
- **5. Group processing** exists when group members reflect on how well they are achieving their goals and maintaining effective working relationships.

The Smith Family *Learning for Life* Program Want Sturt Public School families.

To be considered eligible for *Learning for Life* families must:

Note that regular school attendance and arriving at school on time is a scholarship requirement.

Possess a Health Care or Pension Concession Card.

Demonstrate a commitment to education.

Learning for Life provides families with:

Financial support
Education support
Linkages to community support

Want more information?

Please contact Fiona Carroll on 0466 473 115 or (02) 6931 2428 Email:



fiona.carroll@thesmithfamily.com.au

everyone's family



Mufti Day - Thursday 2nd July 2020 World's Greatest Shave

Sturt Public School is proud to support Cody Cotterill who is taking part in the

World's Greatest Shave!

Cody will have his head shaved during the assembly today and this was live streamed to all classes.

Please support Cody and help beat blood cancer by bringing some money in to school on Thursday, or by sponsoring him online at

http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/codycotterill

CANTEEN / UNIFORM

Term 3 Canteen news - from 21 July the canteen will accept handwritten lunch bags using cash over the counter from 9am -9.15am, handed in at the canteen counter. We will not be returning to classroom morning lunch baskets.

Online orders are still preferred.

Ice blocks etc can be ordered on the bags and online for a stamp on the bag for lunchtime pick up. We will not be having cash over the counter sales during lunch.

Sorry but at this time volunteers are still not able to come in, we will update as this changes.

Thank you to all our families for being so cooperative.

From Jo and Samone, and the P&C

Term 3 Clothing Pool - clothing orders still need to be done online or make an appointment with Jo 0400840223 between 9 and 9.30 Mondays only, if you need sizing. Bank transfers and online payments only.

If needing a proof of purchase for the Smith Family please order online.

REMINDERS

WEEK 10

Thursday 2 July Reports sent home

Mufti Day

Friday 3 July Last day of Term 2

TERM 3 WEEK 1

Monday 20 July Staff Return

Tuesday 21 July All students return

BAND VACANCIES

At Sturt we have a number of opportunities available to students who are interested in learning a musical instrument.

Currently, we have a clarinet, trumpet and trombone available for hire. Students can hire an instrument and have lessons at school with a tutor from the RCM at a cost of \$180 per term.

We look forward to welcoming new students. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Mott.

