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Newsletter: Term 2, Week 9

Friday, 23 June 2023

Term 2 Planner

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10	26 JUN	27 JUN	28 JUN	29 JUN	30 JUN
		P&C Subway Lunch Orders Close 9am Y3&4 Junior Robotics (FLL Club) 2.30-3.45pm	Faction Cross Country Carnival Y2-6 Running Club 8am K-Y6 Snr Choir Practice 8am Jnr Choir Practice 1pm Lego Club 2.30-3.30pm	P&C Subway Lunch Day Semester 1 Reports home with students	NAIDOC Week Assembly 8.30am Y6 Camp 4 th Instalment due \$50

Principal's Message

Dear parents and caregivers, welcome to the week 9 newsletter edition. I can't believe we are almost half way through the school year already! As we near the end of Term 2, I would like to thank all students, staff and volunteers for their hard work this term. It has been a very busy term and I am sure the whole school community is looking forward to a well deserved break.

Semester 1 reports will be going home with students next week. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to celebrate their child's achievements thus far and engage in conversations about their learning journey. Families with shared parenting arrangements will also receive an email containing their child's school report.



Last day of Term 2 will be Friday, 30 June 2023. Students return for Term 3 on Tuesday, 18 July 2023.

Winter Interschool Carnival

Today, selected Year 5 and 6 students are competing at the Winter Interschool Carnival in AFL, soccer, netball and hockey. Congratulations to all the students participating in today's events. Our thanks go to Chris Mattock, PE Teacher, for his work in preparing for today and also to staff who enthusiastically took on the role of coaching and supporting our students: Larissa Waghorn, Michelle Murray, Kim Pedrick and Suzi Sheridan. We look forward to hearing about the students' achievements when they return.

Pre-Primary 2024 Applications

Applications for enrolment into Pre-Primary for 2024 are now open. Parents should have received an information letter this week which has also been posted on Connect. Please note that applications close on **Friday, 28 July 2023**. Every child of Pre-Primary age is required to attend school and is guaranteed a place at their local school. If your child turns 5 years old before 30 June 2024 you need to apply to enrol them in Pre-Primary for 2024.



Application forms are available to be collected from the school office between 8am-3pm, Monday to Friday during the school term. Applications must be submitted with requested documents no later than **Friday, 28 July 2023**. Please note: enrolment into our Kindergarten program does not guarantee placement into Pre-Primary.

Pizza Day

Last Thursday, the Year 6s held their very popular pizza day fundraiser. They raised a fantastic \$899.30 which will go towards the Year 6 camp and graduation. Thanks to everyone for supporting the fundraiser and volunteering their time to help.

Values

Our Term 2, week 8 raffle winner was Ruby M from C5. Well done!



Megan Barnett

Principal



ATTENDANCE

Students arriving at school significantly late or leaving early miss critical morning routines and learning activities. The school day begins at 8:30am and students will be considered late if they are not in class by this time. At STPS we encourage students to be on time, every day!

Week 8 Honour Certificates Awarded – Well done!

ECC1	Bailee B	Sali A	B4	Kani T	Leon C	
ECC2	Georgia E	Malcolm	B5	Ethan R	Chace M	Graham H
A1	Ronan F	Yazn A	C2	Joel H	Sean A	
A3	Aurora S	Jason P	C3	Ceanna L	Ayce T	
A4	Kaley R	Lorrenzo P	Isabelle M	C4	Laurence C	Gunveen S
A5	Sami I	Lawson V	C5	Ameila J	Anabelle M	Lincoln B
B1	Cocoro S	Bailey H	Music	Aaliyah H – C2	Coby P – B3	
B2	Aalia A	Daniel F	Multi Lit	Joshua C – B2		
B3	Quade W					

PARENT SURVEY 2022 RESPONSES

We asked... "What are areas you would like to see our school improve on?"

You said... "We need Canteen facilities back".

So we... have investigated outsourcing the canteen but so far have had no luck. With the increase in superannuation payments, having someone prepared to do the behind the scene work and a lack of volunteers for the canteen, the P&C cannot make running it themselves a viable proposition.

We have been working with the P&C and they have found a fundraising company who provide lunches ordered online. We are trialling this on Thursday, 29 June 2023. Information has gone home with students.

The company is called Simply Fundraising – they offer various lunch options. For this trial we are offering Subway. A small percentage of funds raised will be returned to the P&C which will be utilised for the benefit of our students at STPS.

HEALTHY HABITS



Sun Smart Tips

Instead of a baseball cap use a broad brimmed, bucket or legionnaire style hat which protects your ears and back of the neck from sun burn and skin damage.

Crunch & Sip

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Simple ways to encourage children to eat more vegetables – Part 2

- **Plant a veggie garden with your kids.** Children are more likely to eat vegetables they have grown themselves. If you don't have much space at home, plant pots are a great option.
- **Allow children to explore vegetables without pressure** to eat them. For example, get children to investigate the colour, texture and smell of different vegetables or create a veggie sculpture with vegetables and toothpicks.

Marieka Rendall
Teacher / Coordinator

- **Make a healthy snack the easy choice** at home by having mini tins of baked beans or corn kernels ready to go in the cupboard, or making extra at mealtimes so kids can snack on healthy leftovers.
- **Make vegetables appealing** by including a range of different colours. Experiment with different flavours and ways of preparing vegetables.
- **Don't give up!** Children may need 10-15 exposures to a new food before they begin to accept it.



NOONGAR WORD OF THE WEEK

Our students have been learning an Aboriginal word from the Noongar Language each week to celebrate Aboriginal Culture. The Noongar Language is the spoken language of the Aboriginal people from the Southwest region of WA. As part of our word of the week, each newsletter will feature words of the fortnight which you can practice at home.

This term we are learning colours. The colours we will be learning this fortnight are:

Mirda-Wooyan (purple) Mirda-Djardak (pink)



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

We continually strive to improve our school for the benefit of our whole school community. See below for some exciting new upgrades.



Therapy Rooms Revamp

Our Bee & Bird Therapy Rooms have been restocked with lots of wonderful new resources and fresh furnishings. The students are loving them!



New keyboards for the iPads!

This year we have invested in some keyboards for our iPads. This has made typing much easier and faster. This allows our students to use the iPads for a wider range of activities. Here the students are enjoying a dictation lesson.



Giant Outdoor Games!

Thanks to the 2022 Year 6 Graduating class we now have giant outdoor games to play with during morning tea and lunch breaks.



Sensory Garden in Pre-Primary

This is the first stage for the Pre-Primary Sensory Garden. Watch this space for more exciting plants and installations.



New Grass over the hill in Pre-Primary

Our wonderful gardeners have been busy making our Pre Primary area beautiful, safe and play friendly. The new grass on the hill looks fabulous!

LEGATO MUSICA FESTIVAL

We recently held our first Interschool Legato Musica Festival, hosting Yale Primary School and Thornlie Primary School together with our talented music students coordinated by Stephanie Mathys, Music Teacher. See below an article featured in the latest Examiner newspaper.

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Hitting the right notes

• By Liam Ducey

Interschool sports carnivals are common across the metropolitan area, but South Thornlie, Yale and Thornlie primary schools went in a different direction last week, holding their first interschool music carnival.

The Legato Musica Festival was the brainchild of South Thornlie music teacher Stephanie Mathys, with all three schools coming together at South Thornlie to share the joy of music.

Ms Mathys said the inspi-

ration behind the festival was simple. “When I first started at South Thornlie, I noticed that there wasn’t much in terms of inter-school for music,” she said. “We do a lot of sport and other subject areas. But not every child is sporty, not every child is academic, so I wanted to create something where every child could have access and every child could celebrate music.”

The conversation began when Yale staff and students were at South Thornlie following the fire that devastated the school in

March 2022. “We started the conversation with Yale when they were at South Thornlie as their school was being rebuilt after the fire, so we started the relationship then, and I reached out to Thornlie as another close-by school, Ms Mathys said.

“The idea is that every year we’ll add another school in the area to make it bigger and bigger.”

Ms Mathys said the importance of music, especially to primary school students, could not be overstated.



Yale, South Thornlie and Thornlie Primary School music teachers Russel Riley, Stephanie Mathys and Marianne Boyer with students from Yale, South Thornlie and Thornlie primary schools.

STUDENT LEADERS

Hi, my name is Jorja Urbas and I am a Blue Roos Faction Captain for 2023.

The famous leader I admire is Samantha Kerr who was born on 10th September 1993 in Fremantle, Australia. She is well known for being one of the best forwards of all time in Women's Soccer.

I chose to talk about this leader because she is a good role model to young girls and never gives up even in her hardest times. She is positive with herself, fans and teammates. Samantha can maintain her own personality as she is the Captain of the Matildas and was the Captain for Perth Glory. Samantha Kerr made her international debut at the age of 15 in 2009.

This leader demonstrates Excellence and Respect by helping her teammates and others. She also encourages people to never give up, as an awesome leader does.

I have learnt from this leader to never give up even in the hardest times and don't let anything stop you. I am going to try and apply this lesson by encouraging people more.

Jorja Urbas
Faction Captain



 Well done!

MINILIT CONGRATULATIONS



MiniLit is an intervention program for English to assist with reading. This program is for selected students.

Congratulations to our Year 2 students who have been working hard in their literacy class. They were presented with a certificate for completing lessons 1-20.

Scarlett our school therapy dog made a visit to congratulate all the students. Well done everyone!

Kym Leguay
MiniLit Coordinator / Education
Assistant

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school code & student ID to
place your order.



School Code
2S6ZLN

**Online photo
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Saturday,
24 June 2023**

POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

✦ A Magical Phrase to Help Your Child Cooperate ✦

Instead of using
THREATS OR BRIBES:

"If you don't do this, you can't..."
"If you do this, you can..."

Use the
"AS SOON AS"
framework:

"You can...as soon as you..."

The "as soon as" phrases are helpful and effective because:

You're not giving your child a **choice** to do a task or not, you're telling them your **expectation** (X has to be done for Y to happen).

- * "You can have your dessert as soon as you eat dinner."
- * "I'd be happy to take you to the park as soon as you clean up."



It's super important to:

- * Watch your tone when giving instructions to children. Firm and kind is the way to go!
- * Follow through on your instructions and not give in (only then your future boundaries will work!)

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✦ Try 3 Before Me ✦

As a child, whenever I felt stuck, I was very quick to ask my mom for help. So my mom started using this simple phrase: **"Try Three Before Me"**

"Try three before me" is a simple but effective strategy to encourage children to become more self-sufficient and independent problem-solvers.

The idea is to ask children to try to solve a problem independently using three different strategies or methods before asking an adult for help.

This approach helps children develop critical thinking skills and fosters a growth mindset. It encourages children to be resourceful and resilient and to take ownership of their learning.



When I asked, "Mom, where's my hat?"

She'd say, "Try three before me!"

And I would go look in three different places and often find it.

When I said, "Mom, I can't solve this problem!"

She'd say, "Try three before me!"

And I would look in a textbook, call my friend, or ask my brother.

She resisted the urge to immediately give her solution.

And I felt empowered to solve my own problems, knowing she can still help if nothing else worked.



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P&C NEWS

Subway Lunch Fundraiser

We are excited to provide students with the opportunity to order Subway for lunch on Thursday, 29 June 2023. Ordering information has gone home with students. Online orders are due no later than 9am on Tuesday, 27 June 2023.



Morning Assembly Hot Drink Service

Tea and coffee is now available for a gold coin donation at each assembly (Fridays on even weeks) in the Arts Centre. Hot drinks available from 8.20am immediately before and after assembly only. We hope to see you there for a cuppa!

Lego Club

The P&C Lego Club is back! It runs fortnightly on Wednesday afternoons in the Community Room from 2.30-3.30pm on even weeks during the school term. There are still places available for students in Year 1 to 6. Forms are available from the office. We hope you can come along and join in.

Nicole Paton

P&C President

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29 JUN 2023**

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TUE 27 JUN 2023

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OSHCLUB NEWS

Click on the link to access our July school holiday program as well as information about our services.
https://www.souththornlieps.wa.edu.au/_files/docs/OSHClub%20July%20School%20Holiday%20Program%20%26%20Information.pdf

Estelle Strydom
OSHClub Coordinator



This June OSHClub is taking part in The Dream Run to raise funds for The Smith Family.

We will be matching all donations dollar for dollar up to \$50,000

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Hi, my name is Euky bear and I am looking for my forever home...Could that be with you?



Euky Bear goes crazy for toys - bell balls, plush toys... if it rolls along the ground, its purr-fect!

He also loves his food and eating treats out of his foster mums hands.

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