

- 23rd November School fete
- 6th December family movie night

From the Principal's desk

Dear Parents,

'Spring has sprung, the grass has riz, I wonders where the bodies is'. It's been wonderful to enjoy some warmer weather this week, as it lifts everyone's spirits to think that the worst of winter is behind us.

NAPLAN RESULTS

The NAPLAN results for each of our Year 3 and Year 5 students have arrived, with the individual student reports going home tomorrow. Overall, it seems as if our results have levelled out somewhat this year, whereas last year we made some really strong gains. I do believe that the tests being online for the first time was an influencing factor in the students' performance. Any parent of a Year 3 or year 5 student who wish to discuss their child's NAPLAN report with me, are more than welcome.

POSITIVE FEEDBACK

This week we received a lovely card from Gayle Williams, the Life Education Van educator, who expressed her appreciation of the kids and the staff during her visit back in late July. I quote that card, because it reinforces what a great little school we are.

'Dear Geoff, Trevor, Alysha, Jacob, Stefanie, Rachel, Mona, Glenice, Leanne and staff.

Thank you so much for your warm welcome as I visited Strathmerton Primary recently. Such a gorgeous school with such a brilliant ethos. I really enjoyed teaching there, thank you for having me'.

PLANNING DAYS

As we have done in terms one and two, staff will be released in teams to plan Term Four's curriculum in Literacy, Numeracy and the Quest theme. This collaborative planning ensures consistency of teaching and learning programs across the school, which is so important. On Monday, 9th September the Preps, Year 1/2 and 2/3 classroom teachers will be released to plan, and on Tuesday, 10th September it is the turn of the 3/4, 4/5 and 5/6 classroom teachers. There will be no disruption to the normal program for classes over those two days, as CRT teachers have been employed. I know that some students don't react to change very well, so if your child is one of those, please let them know what is happening, so that they are prepared.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Last night, at School Council, it was moved that an entry fee be charged for the upcoming school production, to help recoup some of the considerable costs involved in staging the show. We have set ticket prices at \$5 for a single and \$10 per family. Tickets will be available next week for pre-purchase at the front office from Leanne, or can be purchased at the door on the night.

MAINTENANCE

Last weekend new carpet was laid in the 1/2 classroom and the office areas at the front of the school. I also believe that we will receive some good news on Friday, with the release of additional maintenance funds from the Department to enable us to undertake some maintenance/upgrading projects at school. I hope there is enough to paint the interior of the main school building (fingers crossed).

Have a great weekend

Geoff Weppner.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

2019 P & F Executive

President - Casey Graham Vice president - Michelle Hibberson Secretary -Tania Bell Treasurer - Jacinta Ciccone

Random Act of Kindness (R.A.K) Award

Dakota Kelly, Amy Wyatt are this week's recipients Tory Wilson and Makayla Hughes are last week's recipients well done!



WORD HUNTERS

- How many new and interesting words can you catch in four weeks?
- We would like the children to 'catch words' from books they read at home with their parents. Write them down and bring to school to share with their grade.
- The aim of this activity is to lift the children's oral language and build their word knowledge.
- Teacher will keep a record of how many words their students can catch.
- Any questions, see Glenice Sefton

• YEAR 7 2020 ENROLMENT BOOKLETS

REMINDER Booklets are due back to Cobram Secondary College General office by Friday 6th, September.

Please contact the General Office on 58711700 if you have any queries or have not received it.



STRATHY STARS



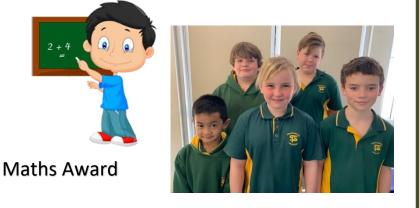


Connor Ciccone, Billy Chapman, Mia Tonizzo and Alyssah Wilson





Degan Ryan, Darci Bennett, Harley Hunter, Claudia Ciccone, Declan Hughes and Ella Riggs



Cooper Lee-Madgwick, Jayden Edgar, Rafael Manicdao, Sophie Hughes and RJ Patmore

Phoenix Tonizzo and Jazmin Argus are the lucky barrel winners this week.



Dear Strathy Local,

At Cactus Country we are extremely happy to have your local support! That's why we would like to offer you, as a Strathmerton Resident 5 Free Garden Passes to come and explore Cactus Country. To collect your Local Strathy Voucher come to Cactus Country and register! Vouchers will be available for collection from the 1st of September. We can't wait to see you! Thank you for your support!

Jim, Julie & John Hall and the Cactus Country Team

