



**SUPPORT EACH OTHER**



**TRY YOUR BEST**



**ACT SAFELY**



**RESPECT**

**Newsletter No.13**  
**May 13<sup>th</sup> 2021**

**2021 Dates to Remember**

- ⇒ **Friday May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Interschool sports at Numurkah
- ⇒ **Tuesday May 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday May 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Grade 5/6 Urban camp
- ⇒ **Monday May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
Open morning 9-11am
- ⇒ **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May**  
Maths evening 5-6pm
- ⇒ **Friday May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Interschool sports at Strathmerton
- ⇒ **Friday June 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Interschool sports at Strathmerton
- ⇒ **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June**  
Interschool sports at Katunga
- ⇒ **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**  
School Council @7:00pm
- ⇒ **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June**  
Parent teacher interviews 3.30-7pm
- ⇒ **Friday June 25<sup>th</sup>**  
Parent teacher interviews  
Student free day
- ⇒ **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July**  
First day term 3
- ⇒ **Friday July 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Interschool sports at Strathmerton



**Active kids are smarter kids**

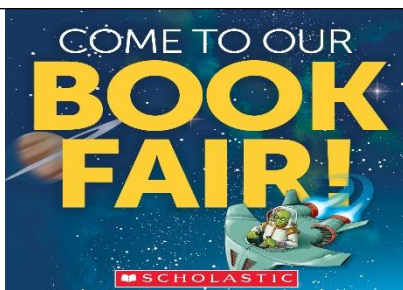
Walk safely to School Day in on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

- We would like parents and carers to walk to school with their children
- We want to promote regular walking habits.
- **Remember**, until children are 10, they must always hold an adults hand when crossing the road.
- If you must use the car, try leaving it a good distance from school and walk the rest of the way. Then join us for a healthy breakfast in the hall.
- At 9am all the students and teachers will go for a walk around the streets and finish on our school walking track.

Walking regularly is the best experience because you can build it into your daily routine

**Breakfast Club every Friday Morning at 8.30am.**  
**Great Job ladies and helpers DONATIONS: Hot chocolate, Juice, Margarine & Strawberry Jam**  
**BREAKFAST CLUB on again this Friday.**

**EDUCATION WEEK**  
**May the 24<sup>th</sup> to May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Monday May 24<sup>th</sup> Open morning 9-11am  
Wednesday May 26<sup>th</sup> Maths fun 5-6pm



## From the Principal's Desk

As you are aware, the NAPLAN tests for Year 3 and 5 students are being conducted this week. On Tuesday the students completed the Language Conventions and Writing tests. Then on Wednesday, they completed the Reading test and we finished off today (Thursday) with the Numeracy tests. At the time of writing this report, I'm pleased to say the majority of our Year 3's and 5's tried really hard and concentrated well through the tests. All we expect of them is that they gave these national tests their best shot.

### ARCHITECT'S PLAN

We received an early draft of the design for the upgrade/modernisation of the school from the architects, Vincent Crisp and Partners, which I shared with School Council on Wednesday evening. Because of our enrolment, the overall size or 'footprint' of the school remains basically the same, so it's a matter of re-configuring and modernising the space that we currently have. We're trying to develop a plan that creates separate junior school and senior school hubs, each with their own classrooms and toilet facilities. As well, we hope to have a brand new main entrance, with new office areas, staffroom and breakout spaces. It's certainly an exciting time, developing a design to see Strathmerton Primary move into the future.

### WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

This Friday is National **'Walk To School Day'** to shine a focus on being active and taking the opportunity to walk to school as often as possible. On Friday we start the morning off with Breakfast Club from 8:30 am, and then at around 9:00 am, all students will do a 'lap around the block', by walking up past the kinder, then continuing down the main street, before arriving back to school. It would be great if as many parents/carers who are able, could come along and join us for this 'walk'. Better still, come along to breakfast as well!

### SCHOOL CAMP

The Year 5 and 6 School Camp is on next week, leaving on Tuesday and returning on Friday. It's important for those parents/carers who have not paid fully for the camp, or commenced paying by instalments, to do so as soon as possible. Children of parents/carers who haven't paid the camp fees, or haven't commenced a plan to pay by instalments, will not be able to attend. Please contact Leanne at the office as soon as possible, to make arrangements if you wish your child to attend. Those students not going on camp will be expected to attend school as usual.

### EDUCATION WEEK

Each year the Education Department sets aside a special week to celebrate and focus on State Education in all our primary and secondary schools. This year, that week is from the 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> May. Strathmerton Primary also likes to celebrate this special week, by inviting our parents/carers, relatives, friends and community members to come to school to share activities with us. So, on **Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> May**, all of our **classrooms are 'open'** between 9:00 am and 11:00 am, and you are cordially invited to visit the classrooms at that time to see the students in action.

Then on **Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May**, between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm we are holding a **'Family Maths Evening'**, with families invited to join us to take part in some fun and engaging maths activities, that everyone can participate in. Please come along to support us, as we celebrate Education Week at Strathmerton Primary.

### YEAR 7 TRANSITION

A reminder to those parents of a Year 6 student, transitioning to secondary school in 2022, that we need your choice of secondary school returned to school by Friday. At this stage, there are still 6 students who haven't returned the form.

Geoff Weppner

Principal.



# STRATHY STARS



Claudia Ciccone, Alyssah Wilson,  
Declan Hughes, Kiara Wilson and  
Kade Edgar



Literacy Award

Nash Bayne, Ella Carter, Izayak  
Edgar, Loreli Church and Paige  
Steiner



Maths Award

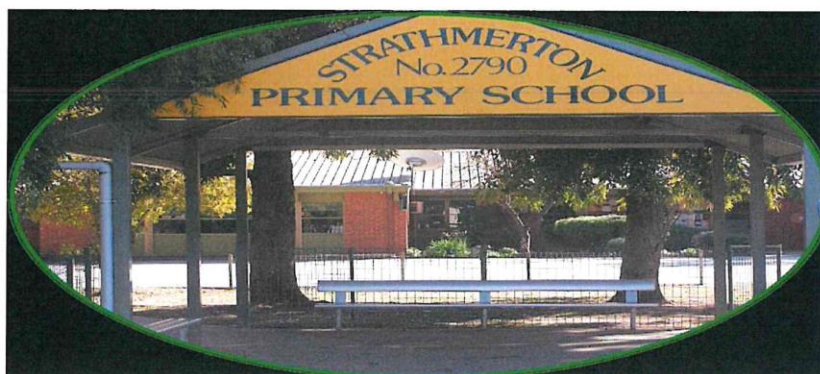


Konnah Safe, Maya Henderson,  
April Carter and Jazmin Argus



**Annalise Wood and Ernie Laidlaw**  
are our barrel winners this week.





**STRATHMERTON PRIMARY**

***Celebrates***

## ***EDUCATION WEEK.***

*Dear Parents,*

*Education Week is from Monday, 24th May through to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May.*

*This special week provides the opportunity to show that  
**'STATE SCHOOLS ARE GREAT SCHOOLS'.***

*Here at Strathmerton Primary we have two special events planned :-*

- On Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> May, we will have 'Open Classrooms' between 9:00 and 11:00am for you to visit. Come in and watch your child/ren and their class in action. Wander around and see what's happening in other classrooms. We would love you to come along, even if it's just for a short time.
- Then on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May, between 5:00 and 6:00pm, we are holding a Family Maths session, where you and your children are invited to participate in a variety of fun games and activities.

**Please support these initiatives to celebrate Education Week.**

**The Staff**

**Strathmerton Primary.**