



Stratheden Public School

Newsletter

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WEEK 6

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Week 6 Term 4:

Monday, 16th November	Swim Scheme.
Tuesday, 17th November	Swim Scheme.
Wednesday, 18th November	NO Kindergarten Orientation. Swim Scheme.
Thursday, 19th November	Swim Scheme.
Friday, 20th November	Swim Scheme (Kiosk shop \$2).

Principal's Report

Term 4

This week's news!

- * **Intensive Swimming**—This commences on Monday (16.11.20). It will be held at Kyogle Pool commencing at 9.30am. There will be two lessons per day. The second lesson will commence at 11.20am. We will return to school by 1.00pm.

Students will need to bring two towels, a rash shirt, hair ties, underwear, water and morning tea. No earrings (Sleepers may be worn) please.

We will travel by Bennett's bus and there will be **no** cost to the parents.

The students will be able to purchase from the Pool Kiosk on Friday (20.11.20). The maximum amount of money is \$2 per child.

- * **NAIDOC Day**—This day was a great success, with all students remembering to keep safe and use the sanitiser, wash hands and be socially aware.
- * **Tennis**—Kelly Richards will be instructing tennis for five weeks. Week 4 is on **Friday, 27th November**. There will be no cost for the students. Students are reminded to bring their tennis racquets.
- * **Kindergarten Orientation**—The next Kindergarten Orientation is on **Wednesday, 25th November**, all day. The further Orientation Days are 2nd December and 9th December.
- * **School Presentation Night**—After carefully reading the rules for having this COVID Safely, the Presentation Night will go ahead with some variations. The proposed night is the 9th December. Further details will be in next week's newsletter.
- * **School Webpage**— take the time to check out our school webpage. This page is now up-to-date and you can check out the gallery and our newsletter can be found on there as well.

Stratheden Specific COVID-19 Information

1. **NO PARENT/CARER** is allowed on the school grounds (**If you find it necessary to talk to a teacher please phone the school from the gate—6667 3266**).
2. There will be an entry and exit specific gate for students only, parents are to remain outside the fence.
3. There will be staggered exit times so that social distance is maintained by the adults.
4. **No one is to come to school if they are feeling unwell, are unwell, have a sniffle, runny nose, sore throat, cough or a temperature. This is very important. Any child attending school with any illness will be isolated and a parent or guardian requested to come and take the child home.**
5. **Students should be at school unless they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe or they are currently unwell.**
6. **Please provide your child/children with a refillable drink bottle. These are to be refilled during the day. Bubblers will be unavailable for use due to health reasons.**
7. **Fruit—To minimise contact with food, we ask parents to cut their children's fruit up at home, if they require it cut to be eaten. (If you are concerned that the fruit will go brown, please seal it in a zip lock bag).
Staff will not be cutting up fruit at school for the students.**

Cathy Kauter
Principal

K/1/2 News

This week K/1/2 will continue to work on some Bible Stories—Jonah and the Whale. The students have now completed some assessment tasks.

Congratulations to the following:

Home Reading: Amity Schaefer

4/5/6 News

English: Spelling Test —Unit 17.
Reading group—Short Story—Freedom

Maths: Patterns & Algebra
Volume & Capacity

Geography: Why some inland places in Australia are losing their residents.

Sightwords

Congratulations to the following students:

Nate Ludlow—Z2

Lawson Bennett—HH1 (5), Columns 1 & 2.

Ellie Johnson—HH2 (9), Columns 3 & 4

Lucian Kelly—HH3 (9), Columns 1 & 2.

Jacoby Kelly—HH2 (10), Syllables 3 & 4.

Maddison Whitton-Howell—HH4(8), Columns 3 & 4.

COVID19 Information

- During the COVID-19 pandemic, anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, loss of taste and loss of smell), even mild symptoms, should not be at school. Schools should encourage staff and parents to arrange for the person who is unwell to be tested so they can return to school as soon possible once their symptoms have resolved to minimise the absence from school. For people who are unwell with respiratory symptoms, a negative COVID-19 test result must be received and sighted by the school.
- If, after testing negative, the person has ongoing symptoms which persist beyond 10 days, the person (staff or students) should arrange to see their doctor. The medical assessment should consider whether the symptoms are typical for that person (for example seasonal, allergic rhinitis), and provide documentation for the school if this is the case. If there are new symptoms at any time, the person should be tested again.
- COVID-19 testing for students with complex health or disability may be challenging. In these situations, schools are to ask the parent/carer to have their child assessed by their medical practitioner. Where a medical practitioner determines that a COVID-19 test is not indicated, a medical certificate must be provided to the school to confirm that the student does not have symptoms that warrant a COVID-19 test. The certificate must also indicate that the student is able to return to the school environment.
- Schools have reported concerns with obtaining COVID test results from some families. In these situations where a parent/carer is unwilling to allow their child to undertake a COVID test or provide the school with a negative COVID-19 test result, the student is to be excluded from school for a 10 day period. Additionally, the student must have been symptom free for at least 3 days before returning to school. **As with the case of all absences of more than 3 days a medical certificate is required by the school.**
- Staff and students should only return to school when they have received a negative COVID-19 test result and their symptoms have resolved. Confirmation of the negative COVID-19 test result must be received and sighted by the school. Negative test results are communicated by NSW Health through SMS notifications, **but please email a copy to the school (stratheden-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au).**