

# STOKERS SIDING

## Public School

### Newsletter



Term 4 - Weeks 3 & 4

Wednesday 2nd November 2016

### Upcoming Events

<b>THURS</b>	<b>3 Nov</b>	<b>Kindy Orientation 9.30-10.30am</b>
<b>WED - FRI</b>	<b>9-11 Nov</b>	<b>4, 5 &amp; 6 Camp</b>
<b>THUR</b>	<b>10 Nov</b>	<b>K, 1 &amp; 2 Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary</b>
<b>THUR</b>	<b>15 Nov</b>	<b>Guide Dog Talk</b>
<b>THUR</b>	<b>17 Nov</b>	<b>Kindy Orientation 9.30-11am</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>12 Dec</b>	<b>STEM Day Burringbar PS</b>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>13 Dec</b>	<b>Presentation Evening/Play</b>



Dear Parents and Community members,

### **Grandparents Day**

Last Friday, we had the absolute privilege of hosting a large number of Grandparents for the morning. They visited their grandchildren in the classroom. Our Grandparents also had the opportunity to join the children in bush dancing, with our oldest dancer being 82 years old! We would like to say a big thank you to all of our Grandparents and special mention to those that travelled to spend the morning with their grandchild/ren. It was a wonderful morning!

### **Tweed Small Schools Choir (TSSC)**

Last night, Lilly M, Mia, Sabine, Lily A and Ginger performed with the other members of the TSSC at the Sydney Opera House. The performance was an outstanding success and was enjoyed by a "full house". Well done girls, we are very proud of you.

### **Excursions**

Our excursion week is coming up next week. Please ensure all permission notes and payments are finalised at your earliest convenience. If you require further information, please contact the office. A reminder; payment can be made on our Parent payment On-line facility, located on our website.

### **School Evaluation**

As mentioned in our last newsletter, we are seeking feedback in order for us to evaluate and improve our practice. Attached to this newsletter is a survey regarding Community Engagement. We would appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey and return it by 18 November. Have a great Week. Regards Cherie King

### **50 Word Challenge Snakes - 4/5/6**

The Slimy long snake slithered past, its devil yellow eyes scanning for its prey. Long, thin, smooth yet scaly body passes right beside me, it stops and lifts its shiny, dull head. Sniffs the air. I stand still. It puts its heavy head back down and slithers slowly away. By Lacey White

The Scaly skin shining through the beautiful green forest. It's as smooth as a fluffy cloud. It's diamond-like all over its skin. The eye manages to come up close. Its scary dangerous eyes are the shape of a squeezed diamond. There it goes slithering away! Camouflaged in the grass. By Brazilia McKay

Long, smooth, beautiful patterns, brown, black and green coloured skin helps them camouflage and quietly hunt prey. Rising up and hissing at anyone who disturbs them. They are interesting but dangerous. They make you scared but curious. They are scary, but they are just as scared as you. By Mia Axford



### **Positive Behaviour for Learning**

We are well underway with the implementation of PBL at Stokers Siding. A big thank you to Kirsten (Clem's mum) for offering to be our parent representative on the PBL team.

### **School Vision and Expectations**

A critical part of PBL is developing a vision and expectations for our school. All stakeholders are involved in this process to ensure there is shared understanding and transparency.

Hence we are seeking parent input, by way of asking you to provide 2 -3 words; that reflect what you would like for your child/ren, what you'd like SSPS to look like going into the future and words that represent your expectations for and of your child. Please email, call or send a note along to school with your input. We appreciate you taking the time to contribute to our goals. All responses are due by Friday 25 November.

### **Mascot Competition**

This week we launched a school wide competition that will see the students create and develop three mascots for our PBL program. The mascots will be represented in all new signage and visual media. The winning mascots will be announced at our presentation ceremony. Ask your child about the competition to learn a little more about it.

## MERIT AWARDS

Week 3



**Congratulations to our  
MERIT AWARD WINNERS**

Eliannah Bogoevska	Django Baartz-Hague
Nat Boyd	Clem Fenney
Emily Mortimer	Ginger Baker

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Week 4



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Ryan Garland	Amora Baartz-Hague
Cooper Fallon	Ambrose Maiden
Mia Axford	Sabine Glaser



**Special Congratulations to our  
STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
Prasada McColl



**Special Congratulations to our  
STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
Nanda McColl



Blue Slip Winners  
 Week 3 - Indi Flanagan, Elianah Bogoevska & Seanna Noble. Congratulations!  
 Week 4 - Django Baartz-Hague, Brazilia McKay & Jermaine Bogoevski

