

# STOKERS SIDING

## Public School

### Newsletter



Term 3 - Weeks 3 & 4

Thursday 14 August 2018

### Upcoming Events

17 August	Fri	Science Fair BUS LEAVES 9AM SHARP
22 August	Thurs	Spaghetti Circus
24 August	Fri	Nature Explorers
27-31 August	Mon - Fri	Intensive Swimming
30 August	Thurs	Nature Explorers
31 August	Fri	Kindy Orientation

**Peter of Wurri Rock Designs explains the meditative art of rock balancing and earth art.**

**Keep an eye out in the neighbourhood: the artworks could appear anywhere!**

**See inside for more.**





## Goodbye and Thank you Anna!

It is with much sadness that we have to say goodbye and thank you to Anna who has done a tremendous job in the relieving role as our School Administration Manager this year. Anna has been scooped up by our neighbouring schools for full-time work for the remainder of 2018. We are so happy for her and wish her well. She will be so missed by our staff team and students. Good luck Anna and thank you for everything.

## Welcome Maureen

A warm welcome to Maureen Flesser who will be relieving for Gloria for the remainder of Term 3. Maureen comes to us with much experience from local schools and we hope you all make her feel very welcome. Come on in to the office and say hi! Sadly, Gloria has injured herself on her overseas trip and we send her well wishes in her recovery.

## Sad News

It is with much sadness that we have been informed that Marg Eaton, previous principal of Stokers Siding Public School passed away peacefully at Wedgetail Palliative Retreat on Sunday after a long battle with pancreatic cancer. Her funeral will be held at Mt Martha in Melbourne at the end of this week.

Marg thoroughly enjoyed her time at Stokers Siding and formed many friendships within the community. Please share your fond memories of Marg and her time leading our school with each other and we send our sympathy and thoughts to her family at this time.

## Bunnings BBQ

Big shout out to all the fabulous volunteers who contributed to our Bunnings BBQ on Saturday the 11th of August. As we all know these BBQ's are very profitable but it takes a team of willing people to make it all happen. Some great organising by our P&C members supported by champions on the day raised \$1640!! This will have a tremendous impact on how the P&C can help our school. Special shout out to the crew who did double shifts and packed up at the end.

Also special mention to two students, Clem and Jaide who were sensational helpers on the day and so proudly represented our school serving and working for many hours at the BBQ. We are all so very proud of you both.

## Spelling Bee

It's a family of great spellers! Over the last few week students in 3-6 have been practising during mock Spelling Bees. Our actual main event was held last Wednesday with everybody participating and doing their best. Well done Cooper and Charlie who were our successful winners on the day. They will be representing Stokers Siding PS at the Premiers Spelling Bee regional finals at Banora Point Public School on Friday the 7th of September.

## District Carnival

All that hard training with Mr H has paid off! Congratulations to Lani, Briar, Kayden, and Cooper who left their competitors for dust in the Small Schools relay event. This awesome foursome will now travel to Byron Bay on Friday 31st August for the Far North Coast Zone PSSA carnival. They will be competing against other small schools relay teams from Tweed Heads to Lismore.

## Spaghetti Circus

The children are LOVING Spaghetti Circus with Leonie on a Thursday afternoon and are learning new acrobatic skills and athletic skills every week and improving on those from the previous week. It is a joy to watch them learn.







As part of Nature Explorers last Friday 10 August we headed to the beautiful Raymond family property creek for a rock balancing session. Peter and Jedda from Wurri Rock designs ran the session and taught our kids the art of rock balancing. It requires great concentration and persistence. It was really challenging but enjoyable. One of the students remarked at the end of the session: "Can we do this again next week?" A big thank you to our hard working and generous P and C for covering the cost of this unique experience. We really appreciate your support. Check out the pictures below.

