

From the Principal...

As the weather changes again and we are feeling the build up come, it is timely that we remind families of our uniform expectations.

Uniforms are compulsory at all NT Territory Primary Schools. At SPPS, students must wear the school shirt with shorts/skorts purchased through the school. Dresses are available in smaller sizes.



We understand that for cultural reasons, some students wear leggings. However, these must be plain with no added detail (sparkles, patterns, sequins etc.) School shorts/skorts must also be worn over the leggings.

A number of students are still wearing jumpers outdoors and this is a concern given the high temperatures that we are experiencing. Teachers will ask students to take off jumpers and leave them in the classroom during playtimes and school assemblies.

Parents will be contacted if students are repeatedly out of uniform or do not have an appropriate hat. It is important to maintain this dress code to:

- help staff identify people in the school yard that are not part of the school community, ensuring the safety of our students
 - •create a sense of unity so that students do not feel the need to compete with one another to dress in the latest fashion
 - •provide a sign that students are committed to uphold the Stuart Primary School Values.

We thank you for helping your child/ren abide by our uniform policy.



Friday, September 22nd

Schedule of Events

Whole School Assembly-Year 6 Ildiko presenting. School Choir Performance

Last Day of Term 3

Monday, September 25th to Monday October 9th School Holidays

> Monday, October 9th Pupil Free Day

Tuesday, October 10th School resumes for Term 4







Monday, October 9th, the first day of Term 4, has now been scheduled as a Pupil Free Day.

Care will be offered on this day by our Outside School Hours Care staff. The cost of care for the school day will be \$25.00, which needs to be paid via the school office. Please drop into the office or give them a ring on 89977333 to make a booking for your child to attend.

This care will cover the school day (7:45am to 2:30pm). After School Care bookings will be in place for those regularly scheduled to attend.

Bookings for the Pupil Free day will close on Thursday, October 5th.

School will resume for Term Four on Tuesday, October 10th.



Whole School Assembly this Friday

This Friday will be our last whole school assembly for Term Three.

Year 6 Ildiko will present assembly this week and our School Choir will be performing.

Assembly starts at 8:30am. All welcome!



Year 5 Excursion to Parliament House

Last Week, the Year 5 students all had the opportunity to visit and tour Parliament House, meet with our local member, Mark Monaghan, and visit the NT Electoral Commission to learn how voting works. The students were amazed at some of the history surrounding Parliament House. The fact that it stands on the site where the original post office stood that was bombed in WWII fascinated them. They stood on the very spot where the bomb landed and sadly killed 10 people.

Students were able to make connections with what they were learning in class about the design of the abstract Sturt's Desert Rose and it's use on the flag as well as the mosaic on the floor in the lobby of Parliament House, the NT flag and also our Coat of Arms. They were able to view how the seating in the Chamber of Parliament House works, and learned about some of the traditions including the use of the Mace, what the Speaker's role is and what the dispatch boxes and Hansard were all about.

This week, we were able to consolidate what we had learned when Lisa Belde and Leanne Barnes from the Parliamentary Edcation Service came to run in class role plays where we got to debate our own bills and present persuasive speeches like they do in the Legislative Assembly.

Behati- "I really enjoyed learning new facts about the parliament and learning everyone's roles. I loved learning all the history behind parliament house."

Max- "I thoroughly enjoyed sitting in the gallery and learning about the processes and everyone's roles." **Christina-** "Everyone felt like they were really important because they were part of a party."



















Year 3 LeGassick Stay Up Fun

On Friday, the 11th of September, Year 3 students were super excited to embark on a day and evening full of fun at the Year 3 Stay Up.

The day started out with team building games and challenges on the oval, followed by an excursion to Kingpin to test out our bowling skills. This was followed by an afternoon back at school with wet play games while bopping along to Mr Marshall's tunes!

Students then had delicious yiros for dinner ending the big day with a relaxed movie, 'Onward,' in the Dragonfly room. Some students even fell asleep during the movie after a non-stop fun filled day. Many great memories were made by all.





Transition News



It has been a busy few weeks in our Transition Classes! This term, we have been learning about people in our community who help us. Last week, Sergeant Hinton and Officer Joel from the Australian Federal Police came to visit to talk to us about how they help keep people safe in the community. They talked about how to identify 5 people (using the 5 fingers on their hand) that are their network of trusted people they can go to if they are feeling unsafe.



The children looked at all the equipment the police use in their job, and then got to try some on! Officer Joel introduced Police Dog Leeroy and showed the children some of his equipment. They also got to see his special police car. Then they got to ask questions. What great community helpers!





To celebrate this week's "International Talk like a Pirate Day," today we did a Pirate Mingle during our morning play session. All three classes mingled together and did some amazing pirate themed activities. Shiver me timbers! I think they ARRRR going overboard!















Volunteer Thanks!

It has been a very busy term with lots of events and camps and we have been so lucky to have a large cast of parents and carers who have volunteered to help make these events successful.

To show our gratitude to our volunteers, our School Council has initiated a once a term Volunteer Raffle. Each term, we will raffle off a voucher. The names of those who volunteered during the term will be included in the raffle.

The winner of the raffle this term was Sumsun Naher. Sumsun has won a \$50.00 voucher for Yogi's Way. Sumsun helped out with our School Council concession at the recent movie night.

A big thank you goes out to our local MLA, Mark Monaghan, for his office's donation of our voucher this Term. Thanks as well to our School Council for introducing this initiative and finally, to all our volunteers, thank you!



Into Trivia?

The Buff Club will be holding a Charity
Trivia night on Saturday,
October 28th.

All proceeds will be split between our school and Stuart Park Childcare Centre.

Maximum tables of 10 people. Kids are welcome.

To book a table, please drop into the Buff Club or give them a ring on 8981 3201.

Payment and team name required at time of booking.

members for live lice and nits.



Take a peek,



A Friendly Reminder

We have had a few cases of head lice reported throughout the school so it's a good time to remind families to do hair and scalp checks regularly. Remember to check the whole family, remove eggs on hair shaft and re-treat hair after 7 days in case more nits have hatched.

If your child does have head lice, please inform the office so that we can notify families to check their children as well.

NT Health provide some great information here:

https://nt.gov.au/wellbeing/health-conditions-treatments/parasites/head-lice

SPPS Preschool Enrolments Open

Nestled in natural bushland, Stuart Park's preschool provides an exciting and engaging learning environment for all.









Exceeding the National Quality Standards, we are most proud of our individualised opportunities for exploration and interest-based learning.

Children who turn four years of age before 30th June each school year are eligible to start preschool that January.

Please contact the front office on 89977333 or stuartpark.school@education.nt.gov.au

2024 Stuart Park Preschool Model*



BLUE GROUP 8 – 2:30pm Monday/Tuesday

GREEN GROUP 8 – 2:30pm Thursday/Friday

Both groups alternate Wednesday half days.

BLUE GROUP odd weeks 8 – 12:00pm

GREEN GROUP even weeks 8 – 12:00pm

*times, days and placement numbers are subject to change depending upon enrolment numbers

IMPORTANT: Preference is given to families who live in the school's enrolment catchment area

Spaces Still Available



There are still some spaces available for Vacation Care during the holiday period. The program and booking links are available on our website here:

https://stuartparkprimary.nt.edu.au/out-of-school-care/

If you have any questions, please contact OSHC at spps.oshc@education.nt.gov.au



OTWAYS TAE KWON DO AND SELF DEFENCE

Classes are held at Stuart Park Primary School on the following nights

All ages Tuesday 6.30 to 8 pm All ages Thursday 6.30 to 8 pm

Come and enjoy martial arts with a qualified instructor for self-

defence, fitness and fun. Contact Peter on 0427991394.

Come and Try. First two lessons free.







