



### From the Principal...

You would have seen our recent spotlight, celebrating our "Middle Schooler for a Day" that took place this week. This initiative allowed our students to experience a day in the life of a middle school student by trying out different activities with different teachers, following a timetable similar to what they would experience in middle school.

This initiative was a part of our school's annual goals, supported by the School Council, in response to valuable feedback from our students in 2023. We heard from our students that they felt we could have better prepared them for the transition to middle school, and "Middle Schooler for a Day" was our proactive response to address this concern.

Research shows that a smooth transition to middle school is crucial for student success. By providing our students with this hands-on experience, we aim to better prepare them for the changes and challenges that come with transitioning to middle school.

As we continue to focus on the holistic development and wellbeing of our students, initiatives like "Middle Schooler for a Day" play a vital role in ensuring that our students feel supported and empowered as they navigate through their educational journey.

Thank you for your continued support in our efforts to provide the best possible learning experience for our students.

### Schedule of Events

#### Friday, June 7th

Whole School Assembly  
Item - Year 6 Metcalfe

#### Monday, June 10th

King's Birthday Public Holiday

#### Friday, June 14th

Whole School Sports Day

#### Monday, June 17th

SPPS School Council Meeting

#### Friday, June 21st

Whole School Assembly  
Item by Transition Sara

Last day of Term Two

#### Monday, June 24th to

#### Friday, July 12th

Mid Year School Holidays

#### Monday, July 15th

Pupil Free Day

#### Tuesday, July 16th

First day of Term 3



King's Birthday  
Public Holiday

**Monday,  
June 10th**

**School Closed  
King's Birthday  
Public Holiday**







# Sports Day - June 14th

**SPPS Sports Day will be held on Friday, June 14th. Please see timetable below. Children are encouraged to wear their sport shirts or their house colours on the day. Please ensure they bring their water bottles, hats and wear sunscreen.**

## Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June

TIME	Preschool	Early Childhood	Upper Primary
8:10 – 8:30am	Morning Routine in class – Roll, lunches, message bag & wristbands		
8:30 – 8:40am	Morning Routines	<b>Welcome Assembly &amp; Chants</b> Line up <u>in House</u> Teams – EC at the back & UP at the front. Remember Hats and water bottles. Track and field ribbons awarded.	
8:45am	50m sprints	<b>T-2 Races (oval)</b>	
9am	Class as normal	<b>Years 3-6 Tabloids (in UP)</b>	
10:10-10:40am	Recess		
10:50-12:15pm	<b>T-2 Tabloids</b> 10:40am - line up as normal 10:50am – EC teachers to take classes to EC <u>verandah</u> .		<b>Years 3-6 Races (oval)</b> 10:40am – line up as normal 10:50am – UP teachers to take classes to the oval.
12:15 – 12:45	Classes as normal	Rest in Class	Years 3-6 Teachers Vs Students Events (oval)
12:45 – 1:15pm		Lunch	
1:15pm		Line up as normal – Eating Time	
1:30 – 2:15pm		In class - Rest	
2:15pm		Assembly Area - Sports Day Winners announced. Bags to remain at classrooms	
2:25pm	Return to class for home time		

**Track and Field Events for 10, 11 and 12 Year Olds will be held over three days:**

## Track and Field Events for 10, 11 & 12 year olds

Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June
8:30am - Shot Put	8:30am - 200m race Later - Discus	8:30am - 800m race



**Parents and Families Welcome!**



# Year 4 Twilight Event

On Friday, May 24th, our Year 4 cohort enjoyed a Twilight Event as part of SPSS's tiered approach to camp type experiences. This event, as well as our Year 5 and 6 Camps, are designed to help students step beyond their comfort zone in a supportive and fun environment.

This year, the day started with tabloid activities around the school, before classes hit the ice at Darwin Ice Skating Centre. In the afternoon they competed in a scavenger hunt and did team building activities before finishing their day with a disco, photobooth and pizza party. Everyone had a blast and some fun memories were made.







**WOW!**





Over the past two weeks, as part of our Health curriculum for term two, each class in the school had the opportunity to visit the Life Education mobile classroom.

The amazing Ms Janine and Ms Cissi, with the help of Healthy Harold, delivered grade appropriate lessons that are aligned with the Australian curriculum for health and physical activity and complement learning in the classroom.

Each module provides core knowledge and skills in a fun, interactive and age appropriate manner. Check out their excellent website for more information on the Life Ed program.

<https://lifeed.org.au/>

Healthy  
Harold  
Visits  
SPPS



# VACATION CARE



## Vacation Care Bookings Open

OSHC is offering three weeks of Vacation Care for the upcoming holiday period, June 24th to July 12th.

All bookings are administrated in "BookMe" via the Parent portal. An active OSHC enrolment is required to have access. If you are not an existing OSHC user, you will need to enrol your child.

To enrol, please see link below:

[Out of School Care – Stuart Park Primary School](#)

Daily requirements: Water bottles, hats, sun safe attire and closed in shoes

Excursion requirements: school uniform is a must, signed into OSHC by 8:30am

For additional Information or enquiries please contact OSCH

Email: [SPPS.OSHC@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:SPPS.OSHC@education.nt.gov.au)

Phone: 89977321 (Between 10 and 2pm)





## Biome Dioramas in Year 5/6 Roditis

This semester, Year 5/6 Roditis have focused on factors that change the environment during our Geography lessons. We have looked at different biomes that exist all over the world, and how they vary.

To compliment the unit, the Year 5 and 5/6 classes are in the process of creating dioramas which capture the biome of their focus, and where it can be found. These dioramas will be on display during the Electric school event in Term 3.

The students have embraced this project and have been spending the middle session on Fridays working on their biomes together with the other classes. It is messy, it is loud - but they really enjoy it!

# PUPIL Free Day

**Monday, July 15th, is a scheduled Pupil Free Day at Stuart Park Primary.**

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 book your child in for care on this day.

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

Bookings for the Pupil Free Day will close on Thursday, July 11th.

**School will resume for Term 3 on Tuesday, July 16th.**

**Monday  
July 15th**



# A Message from our School Council



It has been a busy start to 2024 at SPPS. Council met for the AGM in March. There were two vacancies up for grabs as many of the council members were continuing on for their 2nd year within their term. It was great to see some new parents at the AGM and we extend a very warm welcome to our newest council member Alice Percy and look forward to her contributions in 2024. Congratulations also to Andrew Loughman, who was re-elected.

The elected 2024 SPPS Council is:

Danielle Hall (Principal)  
Andrew Baylis (Chairperson)  
Nicole Neck (Treasurer)  
Danni Mattiazzo (Secretary)  
Leisha Crompton (Assistant Principal)  
Kayla Hood (Teacher Rep)  
Caoimhe Kalinowsky (Teacher Rep)  
Wendy Woods (Business Manager)  
Kylie Fadelli  
Kylie Climie (COGSO Rep)  
Fotis Papadakis  
Andrew Loughman  
Lyndal Carbery  
Alice Percy

**Volunteer** - We invite parents to volunteer for a range of Council activities, including members of subcommittees, fundraising events throughout the year and other roles.

**Meetings** - SPPS Council have met three times so far this year covering a range of topics including endorsement of the 2024 Strategic Plan, the 2024 School Sport program and Calendar of Events, school parking safety, and a review of the canteen and Outside School Hours Care services throughout 2024. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, June 17th at 5pm. All are welcome.

**Save the Date!** - A reminder to save the date for the SPPS Electric Festival which will be held in Term 3 on **Wednesday, July 31st.**

**Thank you!** On behalf of Council and the school community, following the recent announcement that our Principal, Danielle Hall will be leaving at the end of Term 2, we wanted to thank and acknowledge Danielle for her contribution to the Stuart Park Primary School Community. It has been wonderful working alongside her and seeing the initiatives introduced in her time at SPPS.

Best wishes to Danielle for her next adventure.







We have noticed an increase in the number of children coming to the office to request a hat during PE time.

Please ensure your child is packing their hat for school daily so that they are sun safe and able to play freely in the playground at recess and lunch rather than just under-cover. We have limited spare hats which we reserve for use during PE.

Our lost property box is heaving with jumpers, lunch boxes and other items at the moment. Please check the box outside the office and inside the doors of the Early Childhood Unit for missing items. Found Yetis are held in the office. All unclaimed property will be donated to goodwill at the end of Term.



## Preschool Enrolments Are Open

**Preschool 2025 expression of interest forms are now available from the office. If your child is eligible for Preschool next year, please drop in and collect a form.**

### 2025 Preschool Expression of Interest- NOW OPEN!

Nestled in natural bushland, Stuart Park 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 30<sup>th</sup> June each school year are eligible to start preschool that January.

Please contact the front office on 89 977 333 or [stuartpark.school@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:stuartpark.school@education.nt.gov.au)

#### 2023 Stuart Park Preschool Model will be:

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



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



# ENROL NOW FOR TERM 3 AFTER SCHOOL LANGUAGE PROGRAMS



Call us on 8997 7000

**Year 1 to Year 12 Students**

**Monday to Wednesday - 4:00pm to 6:00pm**

**Saturdays (Mandarin only) - 10:00am to 12:30pm**

Choose from 11 different languages

Auslan - French - German - Greek - Japanese -  
Indonesian - Italian - Mandarin - Portuguese -  
Spanish and new for Term 3 - Russian

School pick up service available from some local  
Darwin schools (fees apply)

Term fees are \$180 for a term, based on 1 class  
per week, per child.

**ENROL NOW**

For more information visit:

[www.darwinlanguagescentre.nt.edu.au](http://www.darwinlanguagescentre.nt.edu.au)



## DARWIN REGION SPORT EDUCATION

# TRACK & FIELD TEAM

Students aged between 10 and 19 in the year of competition, born from 1/1/2014 - 31/12/2005 can nominate to be a member of the Darwin Region T & F team in 2024.

To be eligible for selection students must be the correct age, meet benchmarks and be enrolled in a Darwin Region School.

Multi-class students can be selected for this team also.

darwin.sport.doe@education.nt.gov.au  
0460 057 976



**SELF  
NOMINATE**

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN COB 14 JUNE  
2024

**CONTACT DARWIN REGION SPORT EDUCATION OFFICE  
OR YOUR SCHOOL TO RECEIVE A NOMINATION FORM**



The following advertisements are not necessarily endorsed by the school.

## 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.

## YOUNG TERRITORY AUTHOR AWARDS



### Write and create a book and you could be the 2024 Young Territory Author of the Year!

The competition is open to all Territorians 18 years and under residing in the Territory at the time of entering a submission.

First prize - \$500

School Entry prize - \$500

CBCA NT Wow Award - \$200

Enter online, by mail, at any City of Darwin Library or your local library.

To find out more, go to: [darwin.nt.gov.au/ytaa](http://darwin.nt.gov.au/ytaa) or scan the QR code.



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 28 Catalina Rd, Marlow Lagoon



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**email: [jaec@palmerstongamefishing.com.au](mailto:jaec@palmerstongamefishing.com.au)**

# ADVENTURE CLUB



**School Holiday Program**

- **Ages 6 - 12**
- **Only \$85.00 a day**
- **Sailing - SUPs - Powerboats & More**
- **Daily from 8am - 4pm**
- **Friends - Fun & Games**

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