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Not all children are ready to learn the same thing at the same time, in the same way.

NEWSLETTER

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DECEMBER

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| Tuesday 18 th | ➤ Year 4 EOY Excursion |
| Friday 21 st | ➤ Last Day Term 4 1:30pm Finish |
| Tuesday 29 th | ➤ Term 1 Begins for Staff Only |
| Wednesday 30 th | ➤ Term 1 Begins for Students |

Dear Parents and Friends,

This is the final newsletter for 2018 and is one that parents often look forward to, as it has the details of grade structure and staffing for 2019.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise and thank the fantastic staff we have here at Stockdale Road Primary School. I feel very privileged to work with such wonderful people.

Thank you also to our crossing supervisors, Doug and Glenda, for keeping our students safe every day.

GRADE STRUCTURE

Tomorrow your child will visit their new classroom to meet their new teacher and other students in the class. They will be given a slip of paper with this information on it to bring home. Considerable discussion, consultation and thought amongst staff has gone into the formation of these classes. Students were asked to nominate five 'familiar faces' to be in their class and this has been taken into consideration.

Following is the outline for our grade structure for 2019.

- 3 x Preps
- 3 x Year 1 classes
- 3 x Year 2 classes
- 3 x Year 3 classes
- 3 x Year 4 classes
- 3 x Year 5 classes
- 3 x Year 6 classes

New appointments to our fantastic team are:

- Meg Bogart
- Courtney Jolly

They are joined by:

- Amy Wood who has been part of the team as an Education Support Officer and is now a qualified teacher
- Nicole Lock who is returning from having taught in the UK for a number of years

We do say farewell to the following staff:

- Rick Battista and Naomi Landmeter who have been successful in attaining promotion positions
- Pam Forman who is returning home to WA
- Nadine Hams who has been working as part of our Admin team
- Sharni Drunken who will be teaching at Traralgon South Primary in 2019.

Thank you to the above staff and for their input and work at our school. They will be missed.

REPORTS

In addition to their grade placement information for 2019 your child will also bring home tomorrow their school report for Semester 2 2018.

CONCERT THANK-YOU

Thank you to all who attended our wonderful concert!

The concert was again arranged by Naomi Landmeter and was a wonderful evening. Thank you goes to Naomi for all of her work organising stages, music technicians, booking the oval, etc.

Thank you to the staff for preparing the students in the class for the item, they presented so well! Thanks to the work of School Council with the BBQ.

We have managed to cover the majority of costs for the concert, such as stage hire, so thank you to the parents, families and friends who supported us by purchasing items from the BBQ area.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS

The Principal team had the pleasure of having lunch with our School Captains today.

I congratulate our Captains Indi van Berkel and Oliver Haberl and Vice Captains Jacob Poel and Kate Henne on the way they have conducted themselves throughout the year. They have always represented the school in a mature and responsible manner. I am very proud of them and know they will achieve great things in the future.

PRELIMINARY FINDINGS FROM THE SCHOOL REVIEW

You will be aware from pervious newsletters that Term 4 has been one of reflection and goal setting. The review has seen students, parents and staff reflect on our practices over the past four years and look forwarding to the next 4 years and setting goals for future work. Whilst the review report (reflection of the past four years) and strategic plan (goals for the next 4 years) are yet to be finalised preliminary findings suggest our work for the future will most likely be focused on 3 areas:

- Maths
- Reading
- Developing a collaborative learning culture

This is likely to see us:

- Continue to focus on implementing best practice teaching and learning practices in the areas of numeracy and reading
- Developing a school learning vision – looking at who we are as a school, what we value and aligning our practices with these beliefs. This work will see us as a school community reflecting on things like our instructional program and our behaviour model

Already some very preliminary work has begun regarding our instructional program at the school. Based on student, parent and teacher feedback alongside our school data (such as NAPLAN data) we have made a commitment to ensuring that each week our students have 5 hours of explicit instruction with a Mathematics focus, 5 hours of instruction with a focus on Reading and 5 hours of instruction with a focus on addressing the Writing curriculum. Given the school week comprises of a total of 25 in class teaching hours, if 3 of these hours are devoted to specialist programs (Digital Technology, The Arts and PE in 2019) and 15 hours focus on explicitly teaching the Mathematics, Reading and Writing curriculum areas, that leaves us 7 hours to address all other curriculum areas (such as Science, Health, The Humanities - Civics and Citizenship, History, Geography, Economics). To ensure we are doing this as effectively as possible to attain the best outcomes for our students the instructional program of the school is likely to have to look a little different moving forward.

PARENT PAYMENTS

The 'parent payment' can still be paid using BPay over the holidays or pay in person on Tuesday January 29th between 9am - 4:00pm at the school office.

Wishing you all a safe holiday period.

Allyson Armstrong

ACTING PRINCIPAL



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following Christmas Raffle Prize Winners:

- 1st: Amie Howlett
- 2nd: Luke Whykes
- 3rd: Beau Walker
- 4th: Darcy Jones (Prep T)
- 5th: Brodie Howlett
- 6th: Eshan Shankar
- 7th: Jay LeBrocq

Thank you to all those who helped support this fundraiser.

SCHOOL APP

The School App is available to upload on your phone. This is a great way to receive all of the latest newsletters, payment reminders for camp & excursions and to send in your child's absence information.

How to get the Skool Bag App on your phone.

IPhone and Android

- Go to App Store (iPhone) or Playstore (Android)
- Search Skoolbag and install the App with the Blue Backpack
- Install - Once installed select Stockdale Rd P.S. then go to the 'more' tab, select set up and select the categories you would like to receive notifications from (i.e. Year 1 and Year 4)
- Ensure your settings in the notification centre (in settings) allow notifications to be pushed.

ATHLETES FOOT TRARALGON

THE ATHLETE'S FOOT TRARALGON CASH BACK OFFER TO OUR SCHOOL

The Athlete's Foot Traralgon offers \$5.00 cash back to Stockdale Road Primary School for every pair of school shoes, sport shoes, work shoes and casual shoes purchased by our families. Just mention the name of our school.



The Athlete's Foot Traralgon offer a wide range of school shoes for children and have trained staff who can help select the correct shoe for your child. The correct shoes can help ensure proper bone and muscle development and can even help prevent foot and leg problems that could affect them for the rest of their lives. The Athlete's Foot is now stocking CLARKES.

COMPASS SMS ABSENT TEXT MESSAGES



If your child is away and the school hasn't been notified you will receive a reminder SMS to contact the school. Please contact the School if your contact details have recently changed.

STUDENT WELLBEING TEAM

Stockdale Road Breakfast Program will continue to run on Monday and Friday's each week whereby staff will assist students in preparing breakfast. The program is completely voluntary and will be held from 8:15am to 8:45am prior to the first school bell.



LOST PROPERTY

Please make sure you check lost property for any school uniform you may be missing. At present there is a large amount of lost property. If these items are not collected by end of school term they will be placed on the second hand uniform rack to be sold, thank you!

LIBRARY NEWS

Story Box Library is accessible to Stocky families over the holidays. Go to storyboxlibrary.com.au



log in under 'schools and early childhood' with the following password

username: stockystorybox

viewer password: stockystorybox



News from the Digi Hub

Many parents have been asking about the different apps that the Prep, Year One and Year Two students have been using during their ICT sessions. The following are a list of apps that we have used throughout the year to achieve our weekly learning intentions in Digital Technologies.

Coding and Directional Language Apps



Lego Fix The Factory



Crossy Road



Daisy The Dinosaur



Lego Juniors



Scratch Jr



Cargo-Bot



Bee-Bot



Code Karts



Lightbot Hour

Drawing / Photo / Speaking Apps



Draw&Tell HD



Doodle Buddy



PuppetPals HD



Pic Collage

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to come into the Digi Hub Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday before or after school.

Jane Irwin – ICT Specialist

BAKERS DELIGHT

This is a reminder to all parents: whenever you purchase anything from Bakers Delight please mention Stockdale Road Primary School as it accrues to our Dough Raiser Program.

SPECIAL OFFER JUST FOR You!



Bakers Delight Sale and Traralgon



RECEIVE A FREE BLOCK LOAF WHEN YOU BUY A 6-PACK OF TARTS!



Valid at Bakers Delight Sale and Traralgon only. Subject to availability. Valid until 31/12/18. Not redeemable for cash or with any other offer. One offer per person, per day. Block Loaf refers to White, Wholemeal, Hi-Protein Wholegrain, Country Grain, Hi-Fibre Lo-GI and Chia Omega-3 loaves only. Tart 6-Pack refers to Lemon or Fruit Mince Tarts only.



HOT Summer Deals

at WYNCITY Morwell

*Available from 22 December 2018 to 28 January 2019



Early Bird (in before 10am)

1 Game - \$6.00

2 Games - \$10.00

Holiday Offers!

OFFER #1 **Super Pass** (receive a beach ball with every purchase, whilst stocks last)

3 hours of unlimited bowling, lasertag, mini golf, bumper cars plus Arcade games. **#34.50**

OFFER #2 **Triple Treat**

1 game of bowling or lasertag, bumper car ride plus \$7 Arcade Card. **#19.50**

OFFER #3 **Summer Combo Deal**

2 games of bowling or laser tag, chicken nuggets & chips plus 20 min Arcade Card. **#22.50**



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