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TERM 1 WEEK 8. 17 MARCH 2021

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

18/03/2021		F.N.C FOOTBALL Selected students only
19/03/2021		YEAR 7 — E.O.I FORMS DUE BACK TO THE OFFICE
23/03/2021		Student Banking Please bring bankbooks to the office. Thank you
24/03/2021		P&C Meeting at school 5:30 pm to 7pm All welcome
26/03/2021		School Assembly
29/03/2021		4/5/6 Parent Teacher Interviews
30/03/2021		2/3 Parent /Teacher Interviews
30/03/2021		Student Banking Please bring bankbooks to the office. Thank you
31/03/2021		Newsletter
31/03/2021		District Netball Trials Arkininstall Park Selected Students only
31/03/2021		K/1 Parent Teacher Interviews
01/04/2021		EASTER HAT PARADE AND DISCO
01/04/2021		LAST DAY OF TERM ONE
02/04/2021		Good Friday
19/04/2021		TERM TWO STAFF RETURN
20/04/2021		STUDENTS RETURN
21/04/2021		Cross Country at school
30/04/2021		School Photo Day All Students Full School Uniform

PAYMENTS

OVERDUE	\$60.00	4/5/6 CAMP DEPOSIT AND NEW PERMISSION NOTE
26/03/2021	\$40.00	4/5/6 Camp First Instalment

STAR STUDENT

Oliffe is our Star of the Week winner for Term 1 Week 8. Oliffe is always kind and courteous to students and teachers alike and always does her best work in class.

Oliffe is a very deserving recipient of our Star of the Week Award.



Oliffe
2/3

CLASS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students, we are so proud of you all.

K/1 - Miles and Laura

2/3 - Amelia



4/5/6 - Billy, Shanaye, Alana, Addison and Jarrah



BIRTHDAY AWARDS

Happy Birthday to Tatum, Billy and Ruby



SPECIAL AWARD

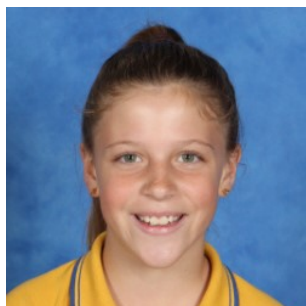
Quade, Brody, Ben and Joe were given a special award for Helping around the school.



DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Shanaye will be representing our school at the District Netball Trials on Wednesday 31st March at Arkinstall Park.

Good luck Shanaye we know you will do your best and represent the school with pride.



EASTER HAT MAKING

The students will start making their own Easter Hat at school next week under the guidance of the teachers. They will be supplied with all the craft materials that they need.

Everyone is asked to bring a gold coin donation to help cover the costs of materials.

EASTER HAT PARADE

On Thursday 1st April the school will be hosting our annual Easter Hat Parade. It will commence at 9:15am in the under cover area. Students are permitted to wear mufti on the day.

Parents are welcome to attend but must sign in with the QR code at the front gate.

DISCO

To end the term on a happy note we will have an early lunch break at 12:30pm where the students can purchase a sausage on bread, popper and disco for \$7:00

At 1 pm we will be having a Disco in the hall until the end of the day.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

Compulsory School Attendance

"If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school."

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain meaningful friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children over the age of six years. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school. Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- gives students time to greet their friends before class
- reduces classroom disruption.



What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance e.g. attending a funeral.

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence.

My child won't go to school. What should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

Working in Partnership

At Crystal Creek Public School we recognise that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school. We enjoy working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

MR DAVIS'S PARENT TIPS OF THE WEEK

Homework tips

These tips are relevant for all students Kindergarten to Year 12.

- Ask your child about their homework, know what they are learning about and when assignments are due.
- Get into a routine of doing homework at a set time, ideally a little each day.
- Have a set place where children can do

their homework, with the equipment they'll need—pens and pencils, highlighters, scissors, glue, scrap paper, ruler, calculator, printing paper, computer and internet access, a printer.

- If there's no set homework, encourage your child to do some reading. For younger children, it's great for them to read aloud to you. For older ones, ask them to tell you about what they have read.
- Don't jump in and give answers, homework is about helping children become independent learners.
- Turn off TVs, mobiles and other devices so there are no disruptions.
- If your child is having difficulty with their homework, contact their class teacher for help.

MR DAVIS'S FUNNIES

Q. What goes up and doesn't come back down?

A. *Your age.*

Q. What belongs to you but is used more by others?

A. *Your name.*

OFFICE MESSAGES

CHANGE OF DETAILS

Please keep the office updated with any family changes like phone numbers, addresses, medical plans, separations or court orders.

It must be in writing for us to change it in the system, it helps us keep our records up to date to ensure the best care for your child.

MOVING INTO YEAR 7 – 2022

Please return your expression of interest form for high school next year to the office by Friday the 19th March.

4/5/6 - CYC BURLEIGH CAMP

Please return the **new** signed permission note for the 4/5/6 CYC Burleigh Camp and the deposit of \$60.00 to the office as soon as possible to ensure your child's place on camp, if you have not already done so.

Please be aware that the first instalment of \$40.00 is due on Friday 26/3/2021.



STUDENT BANKING

Student banking days are Tuesday. Please send in your bank books to the office each week. Thank you

STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE

Stewart House Donation Drive 2021 envelopes have been distributed today to all students.

Your donation supports the 1,700 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

If you are able to donate \$2 please return your envelope by the end of term, Thursday 1 April 2021. All donations are entered into a prize draw for a \$4,000 holiday/gift voucher.

Thank you for your support in this wonderful cause.



Stewart House Donation Drive 2021 Celebrating 90 years!

Your donation supports the 1,700 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

“Staying at Stewart House was an important component of my childhood. I am thankful for the experience and that there were people out there that truly believed in kids from complex backgrounds, without judgement.”

Email message from past student (10/10/2020)

NSW Public Education's Charity of choice

Win a \$4,000 holiday/gift voucher

- Place a \$2 coin, or equivalent, in this envelope
- Complete entry details on the back
- Return to your school to be eligible for the draw



All entries must reach Stewart House by Friday 28th May 2021 in time for the draw at 12pm on this date

ATTENDANCE

If your child is unwell please advise the school via the School Stream App, Email or phone the office.

P & C NEWS

A big THANK YOU to those families who attended the first 'Let's Connect' afternoon tea on Friday. Despite the bad weather it was nice to take some time to connect with other families and the kids had fun. If we are able to fill the P & C positions at the upcoming meeting we hope that we can make this gathering a regular event.

We would like to give 'Crystal Creek Estate' a shout out for hosting us on such a miserable afternoon and for providing delicious food and coffee. If you haven't been to the café do yourself a favour and visit when you can.

Currently the P&C have all positions vacant and require volunteers to ensure it can continue.

The P & C run the canteen (fingers crossed it will be operating term 2), the uniform shop, and are the primary fundraising avenue for the school. Without volunteers these activities will stop.

Please come along & support our school and our students.

Next Meeting: WEDNESDAY 24 March 5:30pm @ school



Eat healthy foods

cook healthy meals for the family to enjoy together



Limit screen time

turn off the TV and phones away at meal times



Keep positive

have a positive attitude about making healthier choices



Get active

make opportunities to get moving as a family

GET INVOLVED IN THE SCHOOL BANKING PROGRAM.

Crystal Creek Public School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way to help teach your child about money. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2021 are:

Terry Denton's Activity Book	Scented Stackable Highlighters
Mini Soccer Ball (size 2)	Icicle Slapband Ruler
Treetop Stationery Set	Snowy Origami Set
Treetop Handball	Water Skimming Bounce Ball
Tomato Seed Kit	Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers
Emoji Wallet	Scratch Art Cards
Snakes & Ladders Game	

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year. For more information about contribution payments, visit www.commbank.com.au/sbinfo.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is Tuesday. Each week you need to hand it into the school office.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2021 School Banking program parent guide from the school office or visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking



Calling all parents and carers! Claim your first \$100 Active Kids

voucher for the year.



Voucher 1 is valid January to December and a second voucher is valid July to December.

Register and get your kids playing today: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/active-kids>