Dear Families and friends of Stanford Merthyr Infants

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK
"Just don't give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong." Ella Fitzgerald.

BOYS DANCE PERFORMANCES FOR NAIDOC WEEK
Boys performed at Kurri Kurri High School this morning. They perform at Mt View High School on Thursday. They leave here at 10:45 and return by 1pm. Lunch will be provided for all the boys. Next term they will perform at Kurri Kurri High School again, Weston Public, and Kurri Kurri Public on Wednesday 16th July, East Maitland Public on Friday 18th July and Pelaw Main Public on Thursday 24th July. Parents are welcome to come and watch any of these performances.

SPELL-A-THON FUNDRAISER
Aim: Improving children’s spelling skills.
We are endeavouring to promote increased spelling skills and combine this with fundraising for these worthwhile programs for our students. Spelling skills are learnt through practice.
For the next 5 weeks we are encouraging your child to practice their spelling skills and to collect sponsorship for this. On Friday 1st August children will show case their skills by parents being invited to classrooms to watch students playing spelling games. After lunch three children from each class can enter a spelling competition in front of the whole school to determine the spelling champion of their class.
The aim for each grade is for students to be able to learn the following spelling words:
- Kindergarten: Be able to spell the first 30 sight words.
- Year 1: Be able to spell the first 70 sight words
- Year 2: Be able to spell the first 100 sight words
This will culminate in an afternoon of activities occurring in Term 3 on Friday 1st August 2014 during Education Week.

P&C COOKBOOK
P&C are asking for recipes for Stanford Merthyr Infants School Cook Book. Recipes can be emailed, faxed or hand-ed in to the office. Children have been working on the front covers of the cook book in class and the P&C will vote on the one to be on the front of the cookbook.

CANTERBURY CLOSED THIS FRIDAY FOR CLEANING
Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered in the canteen this term and to those who have done Thursday Fruit Break. Our children benefit from your hard work.

TERM THREE CANTERBURY ROSTER
Thank you to parents who have indicated a desire to work in the canteen next term. If any of the days you are down for are unsuitable or if you would like to put your name down for any other day please see Odette or Toni.
Thank you.
Calendar of Events for Term Two 2014

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<td>Thursdays all term</td>
<td>Speech in School Program here at school</td>
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<td>Every Tuesday from 11th February</td>
<td>Playgroup for all children birth to 5 years 9:30am-11:00 here at school</td>
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<td>Delta dog reading program</td>
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<td>Thursday 26th June</td>
<td>Boys Dance Performance at Mount View High School</td>
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<td>Last day of term. Fun Day activity.</td>
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MR PING AT KURRI KURRI HIGH SCHOOL YESTERDAY AND THURSDAY 17TH JULY
Mr Ping along with Jackson McEwan and Chloe Smith joined with 18 other students from the High School, Kurri Kurri Public, Weston Public, Mulbring and Pelaw Main Public to produce a large Aboriginal Mural that will be displayed next term during Ed Fest.

DROPPING AND PICKING UP STUDENTS
It has been brought to my attention by several parents, that some people are driving above the speed limit as they arrive or leave the school each day. I would ask you to please be mindful of how little our students are and please drive carefully. Many parents also have pre-schoolers who are not aware of road rules and who will sometimes run off from their parents. We want to avoid any accident from occurring. Thank you.

TOYS MADE IN 1/2S
Mrs Sellens and 1/2S have made some fabulous toys. They would like to invite parents and grandparents to come and view these at 2pm tomorrow. You will be amazed at their designs and finished products.

FUN DAY THIS FRIDAY. THERE WILL NOT BE ANY ASSEMBLY.
Congratulations to all our students for excellent behaviour this term. Every student will be rewarded for following school rules by attending our fun day this Friday. Teachers will have 90 minutes of Golden Time before lunch. The Sport Store will be open with all equipment available for use after lunch.

CLASS OF THE TERM PARTY TOMORROW
Congratulations to K/1H who scored the most points this term. You will have your lunch provided tomorrow. You only need to bring recess and your water bottle to school.

HOMEWORK THIS WEEK
Homework will be sent home tomorrow relating to the Spell-a-thon. It is not due in until first day next term.

P&C MEETING NEXT TERM.
Our next meeting will be Wednesday 20th August at 6pm. Please put this date on your calendar. It has been wonderful to have new people attending our meetings. Everyone’s contributions are valuable.

TERM TWO REPORTS
Teachers will be handing out reports tomorrow. Please come and see the teachers or me, if you have any questions about the reports.

SCHOOL DATES TERM THREE
Staff return to school Monday 14th July. Students return Tuesday 15th July. The final day of Term 3 is Friday 19th September.

Have a happy and safe holiday.

Anne Carr  Principal
ENJOY K /1H’S INFORMATION REPORTS ABOUT COWS AND SHEEP

**Cows**
- Have hooves.
- Have udders.
->Cows live on a farm in a pen.
- Cows eat grass.
- Cows give us milk to make butter.

**Sheep**
- Sheep have long and straight horns.
- They also have short tails.
- Sheep live in a paddock on the farm.
- Sheep eat big piles of hay.
- Sheep give us wool.

**Paige**
- Sheep have big horns. They also have a short tail.
- Sheep live in a paddock on the farm.
- Sheep eat big piles of hay.
- Sheep give us brown meat to eat.

**Hannah**
- Cows have very good eyesight.
- Cows have pink udders.
- Cows live in a pen.
- Cows don't live in the sep. Cows graze on grass, grains, and hay.
- Cows give us milk, butter, and cheese.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE WHO HAVE
CELEBRATED A BIRTHDAY!

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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS;
At the assembly on Friday 20th June 2014
these children all received awards.

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<td>Working so hard and so well.</td>
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READING AWARDS

BRONZE AWARD
Savannah Hutchings  Lachlan Reynolds  Talon Lovett  Blair Walters  Hannah McDonald  Caleb Jenkins

SILVER AWARD

GOLD AWARD
Caitlyn Tait  Jayla Cameron  Paige Soper  Curtis Conolly  Isaac Ferry  Jackson Ferry  Ronnie Conolly  DJ Stevens  Charlie Jones  Lily-Mae Moore

DOUBLE BRONZE AWARD
Brayden Ling

DOUBLE SILVER AWARD

DOUBLE GOLD AWARD

ROYAL

DOUBLE ROYAL

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD
Tayah McIntyre  Lacey Smith  Jackson McEwan  Angelo Plumbe

STAR STUDENT AWARD