Dear Families and friends of Stanford Merthyr Infants

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK
“If you want children to keep their feet on the ground, put some responsibility on their shoulders.” Abigail Van Buren.

TERM 3 SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS
Special Interest Groups began yesterday at 2pm and will continue on Mondays 18th Aug, 25th Aug and 1st Sep. Parents are very welcome to come and assist.

READING IN THE STREETS FOR BOOK WEEK
Next Tuesday is Book week and to celebrate book week, the school is going to the main street of Kurri Kurri to be read to by several businesses. Children and staff can dress up as their favorite book character. Cost is $3.50 for bus fare. Parents are welcome to join us and meet us at the Kurri Kurri Library.

FREE CAREER EDUCATION EXCURSION K-2
Next Thursday, 21st August, the whole school is invited to Kurri Kurri Public School to join in the career education workshops from 9am –11:00am. Please find the permission note in this newsletter. We would appreciate that returned by next Wednesday please. There is no cost for this.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHARLIE JONES
Charlie in 1/2S won the annual Footy Show “League of Their Own” competition and was on the Footy Show recently. This photo was in the Star paper.
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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>Reading in the Streets excursion to Kurri for Book Week. (Children come dressed as a book character)</td>
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<td>Kullaburra Aboriginal Awards Kurri Kurri High School 4pm P&amp;C meeting here at 6pm</td>
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<td>Thursday 21st August</td>
<td>K-2 Careers Day excursion to Kurri Kurri Public School</td>
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<td>Combined Sports Carnival with Nillo Infants School at Maitland Park Back up date is Friday 12th September if wet.</td>
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<td>Tuesday 9th September</td>
<td>Kindergarten Transition program for 2015 students 12:30-1:30pm</td>
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<td>Saturday 13th September</td>
<td>Car Club Rally luncheon here</td>
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<td>Tuesday 16th September</td>
<td>Mr Ping and Year 2 boys visiting Kurri Kurri Preschool to do Boys Dances</td>
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<td>Wednesday 17th September</td>
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<td>Final day of term. Fun Day activities for students.</td>
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<td><strong>ENJOY NARRATIVES FROM CLASS 1/2S</strong></td>
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**The Bone Mystery**

One noisy night on a mountain with bones, skeletons and werewolves that were howling, Toky the werewolf was burying some bones with his best friend Bob the dragon. When Toky and Rob walked away, along came Dan the ogre to the hole that Toky and Bob dug and Don took all the bones back to his cave. Then Toky and Bob walked back to the hole to cover the hole up but the bones were gone.

The next day Toky and Bob got up early to ask all of Toky’s friends but they said “No.”

So they went to the last cave in the mountain which was Don’s. When they got there they asked him and he said “Yes!” They also asked him why he took the bones and Don said “Because you have all of the bones!” “Oh,” said Bob. “We thought you had some bones,” said Toky. “I’ve got an idea, let’s share the bones,” said Bob. So they did.

And everyone lived happily boney after.

**A Hungry Crocodile**

Once upon a time Rock the dragon, Jesse and Killer the crocodile were lying down on the rocks on a rocky island.

Killer the crocodile woke up and went for a swim in the water while Rock and Jesse were laying.

Killer came back with an octopus and Mrs Sellens and Jesse, Rock and Killer ate them.
BOOK FAIR IN LIBRARY NEXT TUESDAY
When we return from Reading in the Streets next Tuesday, the children will be able to purchase books at the library at lunch time. Parents are welcome to come and have a picnic lunch with their children and come to the library to help with the purchase of any books they might like.

SCHOOL SPORTS CARNIVAL 5TH SEPTEMBER
Nillo infants School are organising our combined sports carnival this year. It will be held on Friday 5th September at Lorn Park in Maitland. More details will be coming.

CLASS ITEMS IN ASSEMBLY
Next Friday K/1P are presenting their class item. 1/2S will present their item on Friday 12th September.

CLASS SPEECHES FOR TERM 3
All children are asked to participate in Public Speaking this term. They are asked to prepare a 60 second speech about their favourite movie, book or TV character. More information has been sent home with your child. Three children from each class will be selected to present their speech at our final assembly on Friday 19th September.

P&C MEETING 20TH AUGUST 6PM
Please keep this date in your calendars for our next Meeting. All very welcome.

Please be vigilant and check your child’s hair regularly. This product is one on the market that comes highly recommended to treat head lice.

NARRATIVES FROM 1/2S
Snakes Big Day
Once upon a time Path, Lazy and Angelo played ball. Next morning Angelo the snake, Lazy the lizard and Path the dragon are drinking water when Snake fell into the water.
Path the dragon got Snake out of the water and they went for a cup of hot chocolate. “But we don’t have a cup or hot chocolate,” said Path the dragon.
Snake went around the island and found some bugs instead. They were all happy.

Patrick Bartlett 1/2S
Lilly Gets Lost
Once upon a time Lilly was trying to find her friend but somehow she got stuck in Cloud Land and found a unicorn and Jade, a magic dog.
Lilly could not believe her eyes. Lilly said “Hi I’m Lilly. Who are you?” The unicorn said “I’m Summer and I’m a unicorn.”
Summer and Jade took Lilly home to be safe.
In the morning they went to find her house in the sky. They found her house and said “Goodbye.”
Now Lilly uses a GPS.

Hannah Quinn 1/2S
Pirates VS Crazy Chickens
Once upon a time Bon and John the chickens were on a chicken boat on the sea.
Bon had seen a pirate ship but then Bon got out a bazooka and attacked the pirate ship.
The pirate ship sank and John smiled and went home.

Brayden Ling 1/2 S
There were no birthdays to celebrate this week, but to any family members we wish them many happy returns.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE WHO HAVE CELEBRATED A BIRTHDAY!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS;
At the assembly on Friday 8th August 2014 these children all received awards.

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<td>Outstanding skills in narrative writing</td>
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READING AWARDS

BRONZE AWARD
SILVER AWARD
GOLD AWARD
Lachlan Reynolds
DOUBLE BRONZE AWARD
Charlie Jones
DOUBLE SILVER AWARD
DOUBLE GOLD AWARD
Taylor Wells
ROYAL
DOUBLE ROYAL
PRINCIPAL’S AWARD
STAR STUDENT AWARD
Rylan Johnstone, Patrick Bartlett
The amazing book fare
In school library
Tuesday 19th August
12.30-1.30pm

Why is it so amazing?
Because the books are so cheap!
CAN'T WAIT FOR CRICKET SEASON TO START?
Learn How To Score Runs and Take Wickets For FREE!

MAITLAND'S ULTIMATE FREE PRE SEASON CRICKET WORKSHOP - HOWZAT!

- Take Part In The Fast Bowling Challenge
- Show Off Your Skills To Batting In The Batting
- Lead Your Team In The High Arm Batting Competition
- Learn How To Score Boundaries And Saxes In Batting Master Class
- Compete In The International Twenty 20 Cup!

Sunday September 7 2014 10am-2pm Maitland Park, Maitland

FREE PASS TO HOLIDAY CRICKET CAMP

Book Now For Your Chance To Score A FREE Pass To The Ultimate Cricket Camp These Holidays @ Maitland Park!

SUPER SPORTS CAMPS JOIN FOR FREE
www.supersportscamps.com.au

The Ultimate Cricket School taught Christian how to take his batting and bowling skills to a new level. He is so confident after a few games at the Preseason Cricket Workshop. Christian says bring on the cricket season! - Andrew Warney
STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL
Maitland Street
STANFORD MERTHYR 2327

PERMISSION NOTE

Careers Education Excursion
Kurri Kurri Public School

21st AUGUST 2014

I hereby consent to ...................................................... of class....................

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to travel to
Kurri Kurri Public School

on
Thursday 21st August 2014.

Travel to Kurri Kurri will be by bus
The bus will depart from the school at 9.00am
and return approx. 11:15am

Children will be supervised by Teaching & Support Staff

The school is paying the bus fare for this excursion

Please return permission note by Wednesday 20th August 2014

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Signature of Parent / Guardian Date