

# Spring Hill Public School Newsletter



Term 4 Issue 4

Dear Parents, Friends and Students,

All of our students participated in activities last Friday to celebrate and acknowledge Naidoc Week. Our special guests included James Williams a Wiradjuri Elder Julie, Amy, Kylie & Leeanne. James explained to our students and staff the importance and differences betweenn Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome to Country. He also explained the importance of Indigenous people to the land. Students were shown artifacts and explained their purpose. Student were also included in a smoking ceremony with explanation of the signifance of a smoking ceremony and ochre. Julie showed students some beautiful artwork and discussed the story behind each artwork.

#### Assessments

All students have been completing Literacy & Numeracy assessments during Week 5 & 6. Primary students will be reviewing Science and History concepts covered this term and complete assessments in Week 7 & 8.

#### Ken Don Portrait

Our students received a lovely surprise in the mail last week with a Ken Don artwork. A huge thank you to Mr Mac for getting it framed and bringing it out to school.

We will be hanging this amazing piece of art in the hall.

## School Captain Speeches- Tuesday 1st December

School Captain speeches will be conducted on Tuesday Ist December. All students currently in Year 5 are invited to write their own speech about why they would like to be a school leader for 2021. All students and staff vote and badges are presented at our End of Year Presentation morning. Students are asked not to disclose who they voted for to ensure no-one is hurt and voting remains confidential.

## Kindergarten 2021 Orientation

Our new kindergarten students have commenced their orientation days on Mondays for 3 weeks. Students transitioning into the primary class have also had the opportunity to become familiar with their new classroom routines.

#### NO HAT NO PLAY

As we are heading into the warmer weather all students must wear a hat during recess and lunch. Students without a hat will be playing in the shade. School hats are available for purchase from the school office for \$10. School hats with a broad brim meet all DET and sun safe requirements, baseball hats do not. Sunscreen will be available at the school for student and staff use.

#### Mrs Macs Classroom

Our primary students have been busy completing their novel studies this week including Rowan of Rin, Hazel Green and The Lion The Witch & The Wardrohe

Maths assessements and Diagnostic tests on Division, Volume and Fraction have also been completed this fortnight. In Science our Yr 5 & 6 students have presented their power points on Renewable & Non- Renewable energy sources

#### Miss Cornish's Classroom

Students have worked extremely hard this year and we are starting to wrap up all our learning. Students will start to bring books home with some of their amazing work they have been doing over the year. Students are very proud of their work and the gains they have made since the beginning of the year. I hope you are as proud of them as we are!

#### Miss Nagle's Classroom

Students are currently completing the last of their history and science learning for the year and are nearing the end of their 'Mr Stink' novel. In maths students are completing revision work and revisiting topics that they found challenging throughout the year. The students have also been working on writing their best information reports and the results are impressive. We are looking forward to having a wonderful end of the term.

#### Cyber Safety

Students in Yrs 5 & 6 were visited by Constable Jeff Mullins to talk about the importance of Cyber Safety. Constable Mullins spoke about why it is so important to be safe when using online platforms. If you would like some more information on this please visit: https://www.esafety.gov.au/kids

## Walk for Ash- Wednesday 2nd December 2020

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December we will be walking, riding or scooting for Ash a local resident of Spring Hill and daughter of Jenny Maher who was our Learning & Support Teacher for several years. Ash was recent diaganosed with brain cancer and we are supporting her by raising money to donate to the Brain Cancer Foundation. We are asking all families to make a monetary donation on Wednesday to raise money for brain cancer research.



#### End Of Year Presentation- Thursday 10th December 2020

This year our End of Year Presentation will be held at school on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am. With Covid-19 restrictions now easing we will be allowing parents on site for the presentation. We will be to having restrictions in place and will need all attendees to abide by these. Notes will be going home today outling what parents will need to do to make this event COVID safe.

#### School Volunteers

With Covid-19 restrictions easing we will be welcoming back volunteers to our school. If you would like to volunteer at school you will need to have your volunteer Working With Children Check completed and give a copy of this to the school. To obtain your Working With Children Check please apply at:

https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check

### Touch Footy Gala Day- Thursday 3rd November

Next Thursday students in Years 2-6 will be having a touch football gala day at school with Mullion Creek. Students will be split into teams to learn skills and play a few fun games.

BBQ order forms were sent home on Monday to order a lunch pack. Please return the note and money to school by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Late orders will not be accepted.

## Christmas Raffle

Each family today received a book of 10 raffle tickets to sell for our Christmas Raffle. Tickets are \$1.00 each. There will be 3 hampers to be won. A huge thank you to those families who have donated items for the raffle. If you would like to donate anything please bring to the office by Friday. II<sup>th</sup> November

#### Iceblocks

Ice blocks have been a huge success and will continue Monday to Thursday at lunch time for the rest of this term. All money raised will go towards new library books for 2021.

Ice blocks will be 50c each. Please bring the money in each day if your child would like to purchase an ice block. Our Year 6 leaders will be running this initiative.



## Christmas Fun Day

We have a number of students who have not yet returned their permission notes § money for the Christmas Fun Day on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December. They will be participating in cooking § craft, BBQ and a jumping castle. Students who do not return money and notes will not be able to participate.



## Bush 2 Beach

On Tuesday 3 life guards from Surf Life Saving Australia NSW came to share their knowledge of being safe when swimming at the beach. The things they taught us is to stay in between the flags, what to do if you get caught in a rip, if you get into trouble put your hand up but don't wave and to always wear sunscreen.

Bush 2 Reach is a program designed for courty kids to learn about the beach







## **Calendar Dates**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December- Touch Football Day Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December- End of Year Presentation Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Party

Monday- Primary Library Day

Primary Homework due (fortnightly)

Tuesday- History Primary/Infants

Robotics Primary group

Wednesday- 4 C's

Casual Clothes

Thursday- Infants Library

Science Primary

Friday- Infants Homework Due (weekly)

STEAM Primary Swimming every Friday



## **Merit Awards Week 5**

#### Miss Cornish

Scott Heaton- Student of the Week

Noah Evans

Logan Charnock

## Miss Nagle Classroom

Annabelle Roweth- Student of the Week

Alexa Mckenzie

George Higgins

## Mrs McAnulty

Dexter Roberts- Student of the Week

Mollie Evans

Drew Carslake

#### Year 6 Awards

Lily Nicholson-Love

Bridie Hammonds

George Hammonds

## **Merit Awards Week 6**

#### Miss Cornish

Logan Charnock- Student of the Week

Ella Tink

Damon Hines

## Miss Nagle Classroom

Hannah McKenzie- Student of the Week

Chloe Thompson

Will Teitze

#### Mrs McAnulty

Jacob Cox- Student of the Week

Rowdy Roberts

Bronte Murphy

Quincy Roberts

## NAIDOC DAY











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