Principal’s Message

Attendance Assembly
Very big congratulations to all the students who received an Attendance Award at our attendance month presentation on Monday 4\textsuperscript{th} May. All students who received an Award for their attendance at school had the opportunity to choose a prize to take home. A large number of students remain an attendance concern and I seek your assistance to ensure that children are brought to school by 9am and every day unless they are sick. Thank you to Mrs Howlett for her ongoing commitment to supporting our students’ attendance to ensure they are not missing vital learning experiences.

PSSA
The school endeavours to give as many students as possible the opportunity to participate in PSSA sport. This involves a substantial financial commitment and is a program that is already heavily subsidised by the school. Please understand that if your child is chosen to participate in PSSA sport that it may require assistance from you as the parent whether it is financial or assistance with travel arrangements to ensure that sporting opportunities are not missed.

New Uniform
Our new school uniform is slowly arriving and many items ahead of schedule. If you wish to pre-order your child’s uniform please enquire at the office. I remain committed to supplying a new school polo shirt to every student in the school from Kindergarten to Year 5. The Year 6 students will be able to wear their Year 6 T-Shirt when it arrives.

P&C New Treasurer
I would like to announce after our last P&C meeting that Mrs Ciler Yilmas is our new P&C Treasurer. We welcome her to the P&C where she will continue her past support of the school.

Kinder Office Visits
Last week I was delighted by Kindergarten student visits to my office. Our Kinder students have settled in well to their first year of big school and once again I ask for your assistance in supporting their daily attendance so that their learning experiences are not affected.

Staff Leave
Mrs Colleen Grace remains on leave until further notice and Mrs Judy Anderson will continue in the position of Aboriginal Education Officer supporting our Aboriginal students and programs until her return. Ms Adriana Fallone also is on leave until further notice, Ms Rebecca Page is relieving as our school counsellor and Ms Rebecca Wilkinson as District Guidance Officer.

New Leaf Communities.
On Friday 8\textsuperscript{th} May I had the opportunity to attend a ‘Stakeholder Meet and Greet’ meeting at Newleaf Communities. St George has taken over the management of New Leaf and they are committed to continuing their support of our school. Watch this space!

Miss Hatzidimitriou - Principal

Upcoming Events
- Week 4 – NAPLAN – Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday
- Week 5 - K-6 Assembly 2-3 Monday 18\textsuperscript{th} May
- Week 5 – Friday May 22, Zone Cross Country
News, Reminders and Events

Uniform Store Update
Jumpers and school hats are now for sale. The uniform shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 – 9 and 2:30 to 3.

Spellcheck
Is your child learning to spell? Struggling with the weekly spelling lists? Here are a few strategies that will help:
Find out more:

Application for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2016
If your child is seeking Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 you must submit the application online between Monday 27 April 2015 and Friday 15 May 2015.
The application website is at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Preschool Enrolments for 2016 are now being taken at the front office.

Congratulations to the 154 students that had 100% attendance during March. We loved rewarding you with prizes and certificates.
School Stream will provide the latest news and information and our newsletter straight to your smart phone. Stay in touch and up to date with information and updates.

In week 6 our newsletters will only be printed in black and white. Colour copies will be available on the website and sent on the school stream app.

Our school now has a free app to deliver school information, instantly and directly to your smartphone.

How to get the School Stream app on your mobile device

1. From your mobile device go to the App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Play Store (Android), search for School Stream and download the app to your phone.
2. Make sure you agree to push notifications.
3. Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type your school name into the search then select your school. For more detailed instructions go to schoolstream.com.au/download.
4. Are your children attending different schools? Tap the school selector, select add a school, type the school name* into the search then add. Jump between your children’s schools by touching the school name/logo in the top blue bar, or switch schools from the slide-in menu.

*Any additional schools will need to be licensed users of School Stream to appear in the app.

Choose what notifications you receive

1. Open the School Stream app on your mobile device.
2. From the slide-in menu, go to Settings.
3. Under Edit/Alerts select My Schools and select your School to open the Notifications page.
4. Toggle notifications on or off individually (e.g. Alerts, Events, Newsletters, etc.).
5. When you have finished, use the Back button to return to the Settings page, then select Done to return to your School.

We need to know are you interested in BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL CARE for your child. A survey will be sent home in the next week. We need 30 families to indicate an interest to get BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL CARE at our school.