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SPRING TERRACE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 4

Weeks 5 and 6

2025

Calendar

Date:	Event	Action required
Thursday 27 November	Swimming lessons	Parent /Carer pick up required from Orange Aquatic Centre
Friday 28 November	Years K – 3 Bathurst Excursion	
Wednesday 3 December	P&C Meeting at 6.00 pm	Everyone welcome
Thursday 4 December	Swimming lessons	Parent /Carer pick up required from Orange Aquatic Centre
Monday 8 December	Presentation Day Assembly	12.30 pm All welcome, BYO chair
Wednesday 10 December	Year 6 Farewell Dinner	Details available closer to the date
Thursday 11 December	Swimming lessons	Parent /Carer pick up required from Orange Aquatic Centre
Thursday 18 December	Swimming lessons	Parent /Carer pick up required from Orange Aquatic Centre
Friday 19 December	Last day of Term 4	
2026		
Tuesday 27 January	Staff return for 2026 - Week 1	
Monday 2 February	Students return for 2026 - Week 2	
Friday 6 March	Clean up Australia Day at school	
11 – 23 March	NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5	
16 – 22 March	Harmony Week	
Friday 3 April	Good Friday – Term 1 ends	
Monday 6 April to Friday 17 April	School holidays	
Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 April	Staff Development days	
Wednesday 22 April	Students return for Term 2	

Messages from the Principal

As the term continues to fly by, I have been observing students in the playground focusing on the kindness we show to each other. Making sure we treat each other kindly every day is at forefront of everything we do at this amazing school. Reminding everyone to use their words to express how they are feeling and to reach out to an adult on duty to help them when things become challenging has been a focus for the past few weeks.

We have been very lucky to have two amazing pre-service teachers with us the past few weeks. We say good-bye and thank you to Miss Denning who has been working in the K/1/2 room. Mr Black continues next week with the 2/3/4 class and Mr James.

Bushfire Season

As we approach Summer and the weather is getting hotter, the grass is drying off. We are conscious of our surroundings and the potential for grass and bushfires impacting our school. As a Category 2 bush fire zoned school we are closely monitored by the Department of Education Risk Unit and the Rural Fire

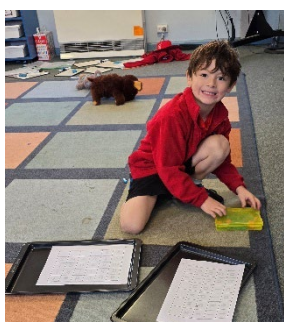
Service Canobolas Zone. The department will advise as soon as possible to any actions we need to take if there is a pending incident or weather conditions are unstable. Please ensure we have up to date contact details recorded so you receive notifications on Sentral Parent Portal in the event of evacuation.

Toilet Refurbishment project completed

On Monday, the newly refurbished toilets were handed back to the school. They are a much cleaner and fresher layout and design for student use, along with the addition of an accessible toilet on site. New drinking bubblers, doors, windows and a new roof were also part of the project.

Kindergarten 2026 Orientation

Our Kinder 2026 students have enjoyed their time at school getting to know their fellow classmates and Teachers in readiness for starting on 2 February 2026. It is exciting to welcome two new families to our school for next year, Sol, Tatum, Charlie and Klayton have settled in well with Miss Hutchison, Miss Molly and the current Kinder students as their peer support.



Orange Small Schools (OSSA) Spectacular

What amazing performances by our students at the Spectacular last night. School Spec is a massive undertaking for all the small schools, and everyone puts so much effort into preparing students with costumes, rehearsals and supporting them in their performances.

Thank you to our parents and carers who ensured our students went to rehearsals and performances on time, your support is really appreciated with such a busy schedule. We hope you enjoyed the show or will enjoy it tonight. Each family was provided with a program yesterday afternoon at the end of the dress rehearsal. If you missed out on a program, please contact the office.

Please find below the link if you wish to purchase the video. Filming will be done tonight, Thursday 20 November. The link will be available to click on in the newsletter uploaded in Sentral Portal instead of having to retype. <https://keavideoproducers.square.site/product/ossa-school-spectacular-2025/25IYUGVLYCAALEU2VY4EZBAH?cp=true&sa=true&sbp=false&q=false>

Two of the groups waiting to perform last night below.



Kinder – Year 3 Excursion to Bathurst

Our Kinder, Years 1, 2 and 3 are travelling to Bathurst next Friday 28 November for a day exploring Chifley Cottage and the Bathurst Rail Museum. This excursion is funded by the P&C who are again supporting our students' educational experiences. The students will travel by bus within school hours. Miss Hutchison, Mr James and Miss Molly will accompany the students. If you have not already done so, please action the activity permission in Sentral.

Newcastle Permanent Primary School Mathematics Competition

Congratulations to our students who sat the Maths competition. The following students achieved results of:

Distinction - Felix

Merit – Bella, Clara, Tessa, and Harry

Participation – Lawson, Evie, Joe, Jessica, and Amber

Ms Mel Winters
Principal

Awards and Birthdays

<u>Student of the Week</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>	<u>Birthdays</u>
Week – 4 Sienna, Isla, Week – 5 Angel, Hugh, Tessa	Week – 4 Jayden, Sammie, Week – 5 Rydah, Sophia, Bella	Ryan, Lilah

STPS News

Questacon Incursion

Last Friday our students experienced the Science Circus by Questacon who visited our school for the morning with a program supported by the Australian Government, free of charge to schools. The program was aligned to STEM topics in the curriculum and explored different types of energy in kinetic, stored and potential energy. The students were amazed how balloons could hold up a table and then with someone standing on the table without the balloons bursting.



Chicken stories

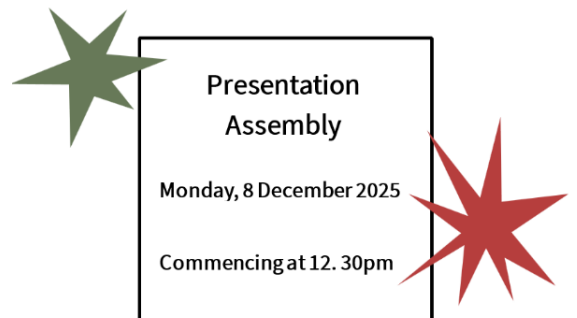
The school has been studying life cycles using fertilised chook eggs in an incubator. With great excitement last Wednesday, they started to hatch and by Thursday there were 11 chickens that were moved from the incubator into their nesting box. Thank you to Begs Lund for the eggs, incubator and guidance on keeping temperatures and moisture levels on track and Mr Black for supplying the heat mat once the chicks left the incubator.



Annual Presentation Assembly

Our end of year presentation assembly will be held on Monday, 8 December, where we recognise our students for their hard work throughout the year.

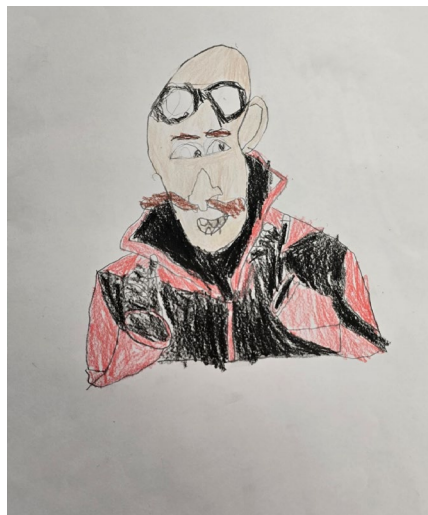
Please join us in celebrating these achievements and to congratulate our Year 6 students on completing their primary school education. We will also induct our 2026 School Leaders at this time.



Young Archies

This year's theme for the Young Archies was for students to create a portrait of a person who is special to them. It could be a family member, friend, or some they look up to. Our selected entrants for this year are Jayden with Dr Eggman and Joe with Jett Lawence.

Their entries have now been judged with other schools in the Orange Network with the exhibition opening tonight at 5.00 pm at the CWA Hall in Robertson's Park.



Remembrance Day

Last Tuesday was Remembrance Day where we paused to reflect on the significance and service by our veterans of the past and present and the freedom we have here in Australia. Teachers spent time during class and at assembly reflecting on the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women.



P&C News

Thank you to all who attended the recent Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday, 12 November. All positions were declared open with the following nominations accepted and officer bearers elected.

President – Open with nominations pending

Vice President – Krystle Stedman

Secretary – Christine Holmes

Treasurer – Jess Crombie

Uniform Coordinator – Del Howarth

Grants Coordinator – Bec Robinson

Canteen Lunch Orders - Emily Currey

2026 is shaping up to be another wonderful year in the Spring Terrace Public School Community and memberships are due now. The cost is \$2 per person. Membership forms attached, which allows you to vote on important issues and nominate for positions etc.

Our last meeting for the year is Wednesday 3 December at 6.00 pm. We Look forward to all the exciting things scheduled for the last few weeks of term. Enjoy

Bec Robinson

Interim P&C President

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