

LADYSMITH

Public School



Principal: Helen Sturman

Term 4 Week 9, 2019

Student success through an innovative quality education.



The end of the term is quickly drawing to an end, which means Christmas is near and we will all have time to spend with family and friends. The end of the term this year also marks the retirement of our much valued and respected principal, Ms Sturman. Having led Ladysmith School for the past 8 years, she will be greatly missed by students, staff and the school community.



While I have only had the pleasure of being part of the Ladysmith team since early 2017, I have witnessed and benefitted from Helen's amazing drive and energy. Under her guidance, students and staff have been encouraged and supported to build their skills and pursue their passions.

So we congratulate Helen and wish her the best on her well-earned retirement and we will look with great interest on how and where she will channel all of that energy! More cycling across Europe, perhaps? There will be good times ahead, I'm sure.

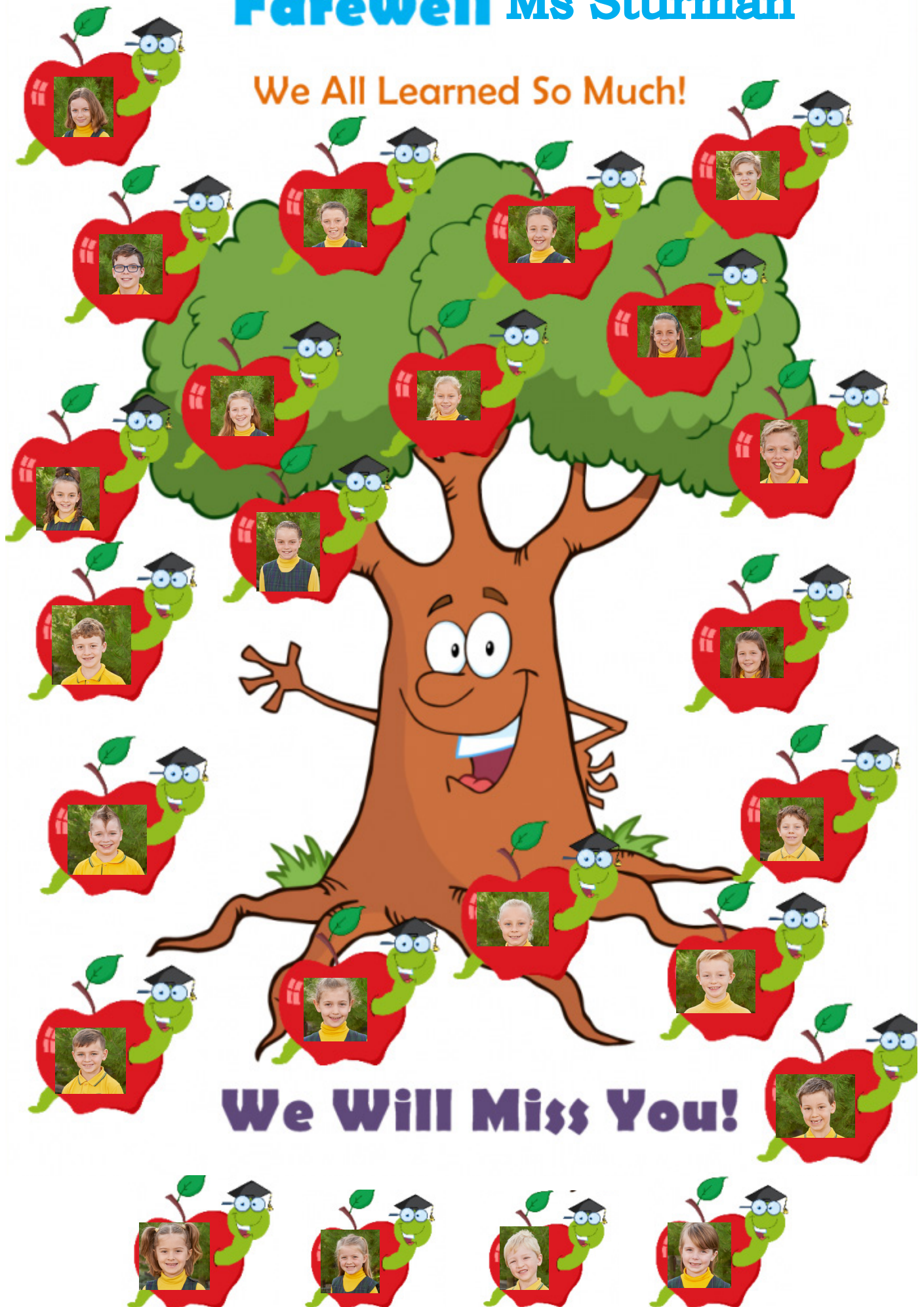
By Mrs D



*A proud member of Wagga Wagga
Community of Small Schools*

Farewell Ms Stürman

We All Learned So Much!



We Will Miss You!

THE REAL MEANING OF 'NOT GIVING UP'

What an achievement on Friday! All the students in Kindergarten, year 1, year 2 and year 3 ventured out to The Rock Nature reserve to experience a local natural environment. But that is not the achievement, the amazing thing was that every child climbed to the top and then made their way down. We got down and got dirty, we had sweat pouring down our backs and we were hot, but nobody gave up.

There were a few slips and slides on the way back down, but no tears and no blood. A little brush down and a few words of encouragement and every child shook themselves off and kept going.

The achievement was amazing and it was great way to learn so much about our local environment, how we can care for it and what we can do to improve these areas.

Due to time constraints we unfortunately did not have time to visit the other areas students have been researching. We have sent Evie's PowerPoint to the Wagga Tourist Information Centre and had a wonderful response, giving Evie encouragement to continue with her project in 2020. The other PowerPoint points will be sent to the environmental officer at Wagga City Council.



INTENSIVE SWIMMING

This week has seen us travelling to the Oasis in Wagga Wagga for our Intensive Swimming lessons.

As well as lessons students are having time to build their confidence in the water and we have seen improvement already.

On Wednesday 18th December, last day of term, we are having an earlier lesson and then we'll stay at the pool for an end of year party. Students have been asked to bring some healthy food for sharing for lunch. If you could let us know via the APP what your child will bring on this day we can ensure there is a cross section of foods available.



2020 LEADERSHIP TEAM

Monday's assembly gave us a wonderful opportunity to hear the current year 5's speeches. These speeches gave us a good feeling about each student's desire to be a captain in 2020 and how they view this role.

We are now thinking hard about who we will vote for on Friday for the three captain's positions.

The results will be announced on Presentation Night.



DRESS REHEARSAL

On Friday we will have our first dress rehearsal for our presentation night play. We hope all students have their costumes and we will be able to determine if we need to find some more.

If you are having trouble with costumes please chat to a staff member as we they can help, Some parents have helpfully found additional brown clothes which have helped greatly.



THANKYOU CATHY & KATE

A huge thanks to Cathy and Kate who has worked laborously over our concert back drop. It is looking fantastic. We look forward to seeing it hung.



MUSIC LESSONS

We have only had three students show an interest in music lessons. Please come and let us know if you are interested in your child having music lessons in 2020. The forms have been in the newsletter which you need to complete. Once we have all the forms we'll send them off to RivCon.





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Students of the week:-

Zoe Willis and Chris Ford

MERIT CERTIFICATES

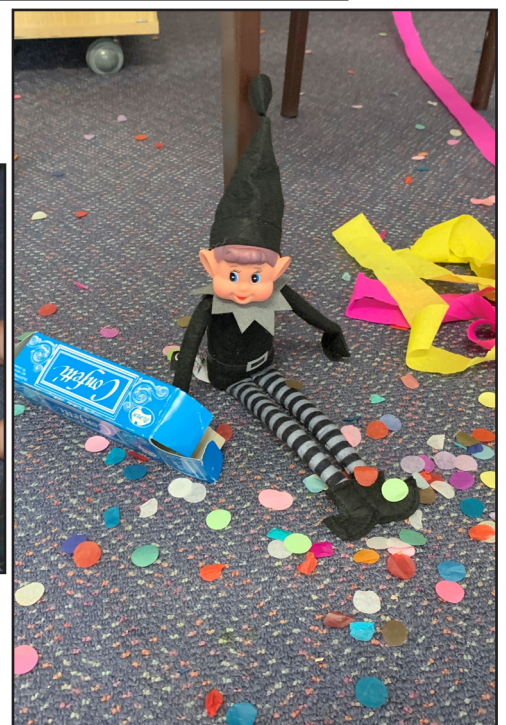


Award winners are Brianna Lehmann, Jamie Muller, Zoe-Ann Klohs, Jake Vincent, Lydia Roberts and Emily Short

LEARNING WITH MS STURMAN

On Thursday Kindergarten/ Year 1 and Year 2 were given the opportunity to use all their comprehension strategies to complete 6 quiz questions. The students had to read the information cards and interpret the information to solve the problem. Solving the problem gave the students a number, once all 6 numbers were found they needed to listen to a riddle to ensure the numbers were in the correct order. This code opened a mystery box....

Out of the box came some naughty elves which have played havoc in our room....



LEARNING WITH MRS DE FRANCESCHI

Between swim school, play practise and completing Christmas projects, the children in K/1/2 have been kept very busy this week. They have been doing an excellent job preparing for the play and parents are in for a real treat on Presentation Night. In the pool the students are giving their best and have been well organised in their preparations.



It has been great to meet with parents this week and share the successes and progress which the children have made over the year. I congratulate them on their efforts and hard work, together with their enthusiasm and love for learning.

I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a restful holiday, and look forward to seeing you again in the New Year.



AFTERNOON TEA

Yesterday the P&C, students and staff helped celebrate Ms Sturman's birthday and gave her a farewell afternoon tea. It was a great opportunity to catch up and share with Ms Sturman and the children especially enjoyed the mini-celebration. Thankyou to all the families that came and supported us.



P&C NEWS

Thanks for a great year everyone!!!

Thank you to staff, families and the Ladysmith community for all your help and support through out the past year.

TAKING CARE OF OUR CHOOKS

The holidays are upon us again and the chooks need a home for the next 6 weeks. Is there anyone who is able to help out. If so please let Helen or the office know.



DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

12th-17th Swimming Lessons - Oasis depart LPS @ 11.45am and return 2.40pm
17th Presentation Night 6.30pm
18th Swimming Lessons/class party - Oasis - Depart School at 9.30am return by 2.30
18th Last day of Term 4

JANUARY

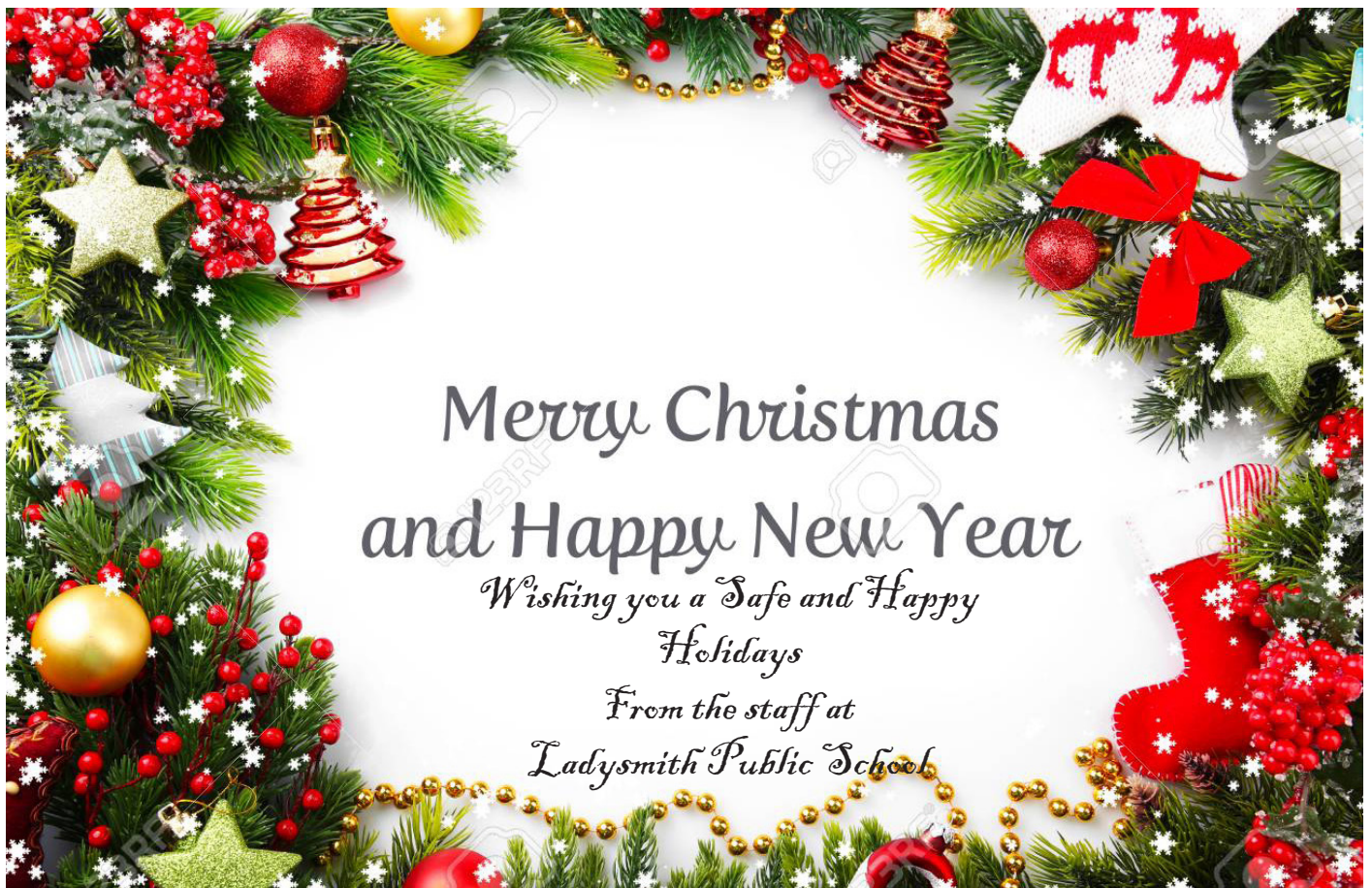
28th Staff Development Day
29th First Day of Term 1

FEBRUARY

3rd Gymnastics

COMMUNITY FUNDING FOR OUR STUDENT WELLBEING OFFICER

REMINDER Please bring in any empty cans, bottles poppers for recycling. There is a trailer in staff car park for you to put your donations in.



www.ladysmith-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
EMAIL: ladysmith-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

PH: 6922 1524
FAX: 6922 1696



Christmas Carols and Shared Supper

St Saviour's Church, Ladysmith

Keajura Road, Ladysmith
(off Tumbarumba Road outside Ladysmith Village)

6pm Sunday, 15th December 2019

Come and celebrate Christmas at St Saviours
Please bring a plate to share for the supper to follow. Thanks

Everyone Welcome!

