



## Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

This week's newsletter features our special Book Week Assembly which was held last Wednesday. Students and staff had lots of fun dressing up as their favourite book or movie characters. Bookweek stickers and bookmarks were given to all children who participated as well as special prizes for our most improved readers. A big thank you to Mr Trutwein who donated small books for prizes.

The Sire of Kalamunda held an Art Competition on the theme, "Champions Read" for Book Week. Special congratulations to Masoodah Rauf from Room 1 (Year 7) who came third in the Year 7 category. Masoodah was presented with her certificate by author Sally Carbon.



Last Friday I had the pleasure of accompanying our Student Councillors to a Community Forum at the Woodlupine Centre with the Premier, Hon Colin Barnett. Our students met our premier and then listened to the focus areas for our Government and feedback from the community. They then reported back to their class as to what they had learnt. I was very proud of the level of maturity displayed by our councillors and this after school activity provided each student with evidence of Community Participation and Leadership for the Darling Range Learning Community Citizenship Award.



### IMPORTANT DATES

#### AUGUST

30	Father's Day Stall
31	Father's Day Stall Father's Day Raffle Draw

#### SEPTEMBER

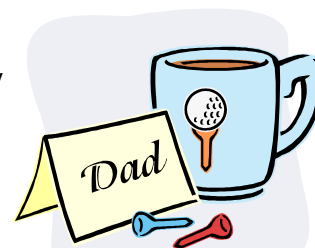
5	Factions Jumps
7	Factions Athletics
10	My School Rules Heat 3
12	Parent Newsletter Student Assembly Staff Meeting 3.15pm
17	P & C Meeting 9.00am
18	School Council Meeting 2.00pm
19	Interschool Jumps
21	Interschool Athletics
26	Parent Newsletter Parent Assembly RM 13
28	Last Day of Term

**Term 4 Starts for Students on  
TUESDAY 16TH OCTOBER**

Next Friday we have our **Faction Sports Day**, weather permitting, and I hope you will all join us to cheer on your children and their factions. Our wonderful P&C is organising a monster food hamper and needs volunteers to help with fundraising on the day. Please refer to the inserts in our newsletter this week.

Wishing all fathers a very happy Fathers Day on Sunday.

*Diane Greenaway-  
Principal*



**A FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM  
WATTLE GROVE DENTAL THERAPY CNETRE**

Over the past couple of months we have been experiencing a steady increase in the amount of missed appointments at our clinic. As we are incredibly busy with significant waiting lists, this has had a big impact on our clinic. Therefore we ask that if you will not be attending your appointment, please let us know.

Short notice is much better than no notice at all and we will happily reschedule your appointment.

Our contact number is 9453 6969.

Please also be advised that we run by appointments and if you do not arrive on time you may not be seen. Thank you, we look forward to seeing you soon.

**Results of the 2012 First Semester Attendance audit.**

Whole school attendance Breakdown.

The following information makes for sobering reading.

The results of the audit indicate that at our school we have

4 children whose attendance is less than 59%

22 children whose attendance is between 60-79%

40 children whose attendance is between 80-89%

In summary there were a total of 3580 half day absences. This equates to 1790 school days that were collectively missed by the children at Forrestfield Primary between February 1<sup>st</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup> 2012.

**1790 school days is the equivalent of 8.95 school .**

**Remember "It is not OK to stay away."**

## PARENT ASSEMBLY 22ND AUGUST 2012

Congratulations to Room 1 on their wonderful Assembly. To celebrate BOOK WEEK, students dressed as their favourite book characters and a parade was held. We have included some photos on the opposite page. TED visited dressed as a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle to present the Virtues Awards.

Congratulations to all our award winners who received certificates.

Our next Assembly is on Wednesday 12th September and all visitors are welcome.

Honour Certificates	
Rm 1	Lisa Walker, Masoodah Rauf
Rm 2	Hunter Douglas, Kuini Bavadra
Rm 4	Kelly Elsdon, Michelle Gillies
Rm 9	Mitchell Hubbard, Joseph Solimen
Rm 12	Nikeisha Little, Damon Burns
Rm 13	Illaise Tu'avao, Tanya Blessy-Suku
Rm 16	Mitchell White, Crystal Walsh
TAGS	Tyler Rigoll, Blake Godfrey
MUSIC	Jed Burke, Saira Akbari

Virtues Award - Perserverance	
Rm 1	Chelsea Batty, Sarah Smit, Jed Burke, Chloe Cugini
Rm 2	Brittany Cugini, Joshua Rigoll
Rm 4	Xavier O'Brien, Dustin Brown
Rm 9	Madeline Duff, Jayden Cugini
Rm 13	Emmalee Finlay, Anastacia Smith
Rm 16	Breeanna Lampard, Domenic Rigoll

**BookWeek** was celebrated last week with class visits to the Forrestfield Library, an incursion by Anton Hamp an Eagles player who read to several classes.

Champions Read was the theme of Bookweek. A special assembly was run by Room 1.

Special awards were given for the Most Improved Reader and Writer of the Month.

The writing genre was an Explanation.

Congratulations to all the winners of awards.

### **Most Improved Readers**

Room 1: Chelsea Batty, Natalie Clark, Room 2: Jaydee O'Donnell, Room 4: Isaiah Solimen, Room 9: Kiriona McRae, Room 12: Walter Woods, Room 13: Sean Mandizuidza, Room 16: Saira Finlay

### **Writer of the Month**

Room 1: Jack Elsdon, Calib MacArthur, Room 2: Brendan Schiller, Alex Milsom

Room 4: Kahlen Fernie-Keep, Xavier O'Brien, Room 9: Shenali Rodrigo, Room 12: Damon Burns, Aidan Walters, Room 13: Tadiwa Ndabambi, Sean Mandizuidza

Leone Schreuders, Literacy Co-ordinator







# BOOK WEEK

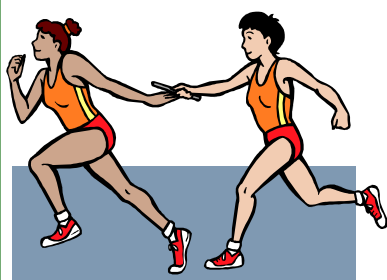




## Faction Carnival – Our Own Olympics!

This week Spring will be upon us, with warmer, longer days, chirpy birds nesting, and lots of weeds flourishing. It's time for Spring cleaning, new lambs on the farm, planting things in the garden, grand final fever, and Fathers Day. At last we can start thawing out from our long, cold winter and look forward to sweltering in the heat of Summer in just a few month's time. Now comes the season to clean the cobwebs off the BBQ and get ready for outside family events and get-togethers. And on top of all this, September is also the time for our School Faction Sports Day, the most exciting school day of the year!

The Faction Carnival Day is full of special things. It's the day most parents and carers come along to school. It's the day everyone dresses in their own bright faction colours. It's the day everyone gets to proudly compete in some athletics event for their faction. Here is where children really get enthusiastic about the colour of their team, red, green, blue, or gold. Suddenly there is a unity of purpose, with each one cheering for his or her faction and trying their best to gain points for their team. And as the day goes by, many children will proudly wear their ribbons for finishing in the top four places of their events.



Unlike any other day at school, an expectant carnival atmosphere permeates the school grounds. Children wait in excited anticipation of their team mates and their own selected events. A hush comes over the crowds as each event is started, and then a roar erupts as the faction colours race off from the starting line. Cheers are heard from all over the place as each child continues toward the finish line, until with lots of encouragement everyone has gone past the judges. No matter what the event, from lane races to relays to team games, the struggle goes on to win points for your faction. In the end, one faction is victorious, but everyone has had a great and eventful day. So, whatever you do, don't miss our very own Faction Sports Carnival Day coming up on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September!

*Wishing you and your family new and wonderful memories made on Faction Carnival Day this year, from your School Chaplain, Paul Johnston, here for you at Forrestfield Primary on Mondays and Tuesdays each week.*

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## ZERO WASTE LUNCH DAY

Parents and students are reminded that every Wednesday is now Zero Waste Lunch Day. We have seen a significant reduction in the amount of waste generated at this school since the introduction of Zero Waste Lunch Day. It's a fantastic effort—Keep It Up!!



## WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK—Toilets aren't bins

It's surprising how many people use the toilet to flush away cigarette butts, tissues, cotton buds and other rubbish. Apart from the potential to cause problems in the wastewater system, this practice wastes large volumes of water. Place a small bin in your bathroom or next to your toilet so that people have the waterwise option of discarding rubbish.



## CYBERSAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Discuss **dignity and self-respect** and how it can be preserved or destroyed by messages sent online and offline.



## ENROLMENTS 2013

To assist us with staffing and class structures for 2013 we ask you to notify the school as soon as possible if you know you will not be returning to Forrestfield Primary School in 2013.

Your cooperation is appreciated.