Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

With the Easter break fast approaching I remind all families that Easter holidays this year include,

Friday 25th March—Good Friday
Monday 28th March—Easter Monday
Tuesday 29th March—Easter Tuesday

All children return to school on Wednesday 30th March.

Our Funky Hair Day fundraiser was a huge success with $130 being raised for the Leukaemia Foundation. The creative ideas were a credit to all our clever families! Well done.

Todays’ Easter Hat Parade was lots of fun with many children wearing their marvellous creations. A big thank you to all families for joining us and supporting this fun Easter event.

Congratulations to the following people who won the Easter Raffle.
1. Jeff Nicholson (Marvin) 2. Champa Bist
25. Kyron Robinson. The raffle raised $700 for the school.

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As a part of our whole school improvement focus, we have included the link to a very important survey in this week’s newsletter. Research shows that growing partnerships between home and school improve learning for all students. Please access this survey via the link below or our Website or Facebook page.

Go to https://www.tellthemfromme.com/login.htm
Username: parent65066 Password: ForrPS

Please help us to make a difference for your child.

Our 2016 Year Calendar has been added to the website to make it easier for families to check the timing of School Development Days, regular school events and special events. We will continue to update the calendar during the year.

We wish all our families and very happy and safe Easter break.

Diane Greenaway PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL SECURITY
We ask parents to ring School Security on 1800 177 777 if you see suspicious activity
Deputy’s Diary

As term 1 comes to a close it is a great chance to take a look back at all the interesting and exciting things students have been doing and what is coming up for the remainder of the term. Today we had our Easter Hat parade and the students looked great. Many hats of the edible and inedible kind, and it was a nice way for the school to get together to enjoy a light moment before the Easter break. My thanks to the great work of the P&C in their organisation of this year’s Easter Raffle, and I am sure there are now some families with more chocolate than they were bargaining for before the draw. Swimming lessons have be a resounding success in Term 1 and I would like to thank all families for the contribution they have made to this year’s program. Bills are never ending and for some families this year, swimming lessons were almost $200, not an insignificant amount, and the school and your kids thank you for the commitment you have made for them. After the Easter break there are only 8 days of school left, but it is important that all students attend every day and they stay focused an engaged in classes to get the most out of term 1. We have had some great attendance figures already this year, and are relying on students and caregivers to make sure that we have every student, every day. Enjoy the break and we look forward to seeing every back bright and ready to go after Easter. Have a lovely break.

Steve Matthews Deputy Principal
SCIENCE PROJECT: HATCHING CHICKENS
WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK—Early in the morning is best
Water only once on your watering day, ideally early in the morning (plants do not absorb water during darkness), so that gardens are charged with the water they need during the warmest part of the day. During autumn and spring our gardens only need to be watered once a week. With cooler nights, morning dew and low evaporation, your garden will retain the moisture it needs. When rain is forecast or if it has rained, remember to turn off your reticulation. During the cooler winter months, lawns and many European plants are dormant so they need very little water. Usually the rainfall received during our mild winters are enough and any more just tends to promote weed growth.

ZERO WASTE LUNCH DAY
Every Wednesday this year our School is holding Zero Waste Lunch Day !!!!!
We encourage all children to bring their lunch and recess in a re-usable container—like a lunch box or takeaway plastic food container. Please try not to use any plastic wrap like Gladwrap, plastic wrappers, plastic bags etc.
Zero waste lunch days are linked to our Sustainability Focus for 2015 and makes kids and parents aware of what we throw out and our need to recycle as much as possible.

VIRTUES AND BEHAVIOUR FOCUS
Our focus virtue is currently Responsibility and our focus behaviour is “When we eat we…”.
We ask parents to reinforce these behaviours.

AGM
The Annual General Meeting was held last Wednesday following the Student Assembly.
The election saw all office bearers returned unopposed:
Sarah Sheffield – President, Katy Grosser – Vice President, Jade Fahy – Treasurer and Emma-Jane Grierson – Secretary.
Jannah Fawcett is the new P & C Committee Representative to School Council.
Our next meeting will be in Term 2.

Easter Raffle
Thank you to everyone who donated items and bought tickets in the Easter Raffle that was held today at school.
Congratulations to all our Winners, especially the students who took part in the colouring competition!

School Banking & Canteen
There will be NO school banking or canteen this week due to the Good Friday public holiday.

Immunisation Clinics
Covering: Forrestfield and Surrounding Areas
Woodlupine Family and Community Centre, 88 Hale Road Forrestfield is holding immunisation clinics every 1st and 3rd Thursday in the month from 9.30am – 12.00pm. Appointments are required and can be made by phoning 6151 1308. Please bring your baby’s purple book to the appointment. The next clinics will be held on Thursday 7th and 21st of April