



# Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,  
Welcome back to school everyone. We have had a great start to the term and in addition to regular class work, all classes are preparing for our **Open Night on Wednesday 5th August** and the **Faction Carnival on Tuesday 8th September**.

This term we welcome new staff **Mrs Laura Bezant, Ms Arriane Hosking and Mrs Vanessa Charlton**. Mrs Bezant is teaching in Room 13 with Mrs Caddy, Ms Hosking is teaching in the Kindy with Mrs Mason and Mrs Carlton is teaching Phys Ed on Tuesdays.



On Monday 20th July Teachers and Education Assistants from Wattle Grove and Woodlupine Primary Schools joined us for our **School Development Day**. We hosted approximately 100 teachers at our school with a focus on Mathematics - developing fluency in number skills, problem solving and assessment. Education Assistants worked with Mrs Jo Baker, *Support Officer Speech & Language*, to learn strategies to develop children's language and vocabulary acquisition.

We have purchased new maths resources and these will be used in classrooms very soon. The landscaping on the verge along Edinburgh Road has been completed and the advanced shrubs, plants and mulch have complimented the road works, ensuring that the school exit is not only safer for students and parents but also an area we can be proud of. Our thanks to Kalamunda Shire and our Department of Education for funding and carrying out this work.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### AUGUST

5	Student Assembly P & C Meeting OPEN NIGHT
6	Years 3,4,5,6 Perth Museum Excursion
10	Massed Schools Choir Rehearsal 8.30-11.30am
19	Room 13 TED Assembly
20	School Photos
24—28	Book Week



All parents are invited to our next **student assembly** on Wednesday 5th August. Special guest **Mrs Joelle Greenway from Scholastic Australia** will be presenting **Literacy Pro Awards**. Parents are welcome to attend the **P&C Meeting** after the Assembly. Come and find out what fundraising activities our P&C are organising.

*Diane Greenaway* **PRINCIPAL**

## SCHOOL SECURITY

We ask parents to ring **School Security on 1800 177 777** if you see suspicious activity after school hours. Please help us look after our school.

## NEWS FLASH - Our First Pineapple at FPS

We are very excited to announce that our **first pineapple** has been grown in our school's greenhouse. Our community helper Darren planted the pineapple almost a year ago. He assured Mr Gear that it would bear fruit, which it most certainly has.

Anyone can do this at home. All you need to do is to cut off the top of a store bought pineapple, plant it in some good potting mix, keep it warm during the cooler months and feed it with apples. Evidently this is one of the secret ingredients.

Mr Gear has returned to school this semester and will be running the garden program. Students will participate in one weekly 30 minute gardening session each week.

A special thanks must be given to Mr Peter Batory who has maintained the garden throughout the hot summer months. He has done a magnificent job and we must congratulate him for his dedication.

**If any parents wish to volunteer for helping in the garden on a Wednesday or Thursday please see Mr Gear any time before or after school.**

One of the key areas we need help with is maintaining the garden shed. This would entail cleaning, organizing tools and working with students in small groups. Please see Mr Gear if you can help.



## EXPERT REVIEW GROUP VISIT

Next week our school will be visited by the Department of Education's Expert Review Group. This Group will develop a report which will highlight the great things we are currently doing as well as outlining ways to improve the learning environment for our students. They will be here for up to four days, interviewing staff, and talking with parents and students. They look forward to hearing your views. If you would like more information please see Ms Greenaway.

## P & C NEWS

**Pizza by the Slice is on again this Friday.**

Choose from Cheese, Hawaiian or Supreme 1 slice: \$2, 2 slices: \$4, 3 slices: \$5

**Orders are due in before school on Friday.**

**Get your lunch order bag from the office or at the canteen on Friday morning.**

Juice boxes and ice creams for \$1 each are also available at Friday lunch.

Funds raised will help reduce the transport costs for upcoming school excursions.

More parent volunteers are needed to take orders before school and to serve lunches.

**The next P & C meeting is Wednesday, 5th August.**

We meet in the School Kitchen - after the student assembly.

**\*\*Help us come up with new and exciting ideas to raise funds to improve our school.**

**The P & C needs more friends!**

If you're on Facebook, please like the **Forrestfield Primary P & C** Facebook page and keep updated on the latest activities.





# DISCO FEVER

Thank you everyone for supporting the disco fundraiser. It was lots of fun!





## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Inside Out is the latest instalment in the Pixar franchise. The whole movie is cleverly written and animated just like every other Pixar movie. There is an underlying message in the movie about emotions.

To brief you about the movie without giving too much away, here is the synopsis.

Riley (Kaitlyn Dias) is a happy, hockey-loving 11-year-old Midwestern girl, but her world turns upside-down when she and her parents move to San Francisco. Riley's emotions -- led by Joy (Amy Poehler) -- try to guide her through this difficult, life-changing event. However, the stress of the move brings Sadness (Phyllis Smith) to the forefront. When Joy and Sadness are inadvertently swept into the far reaches of Riley's mind, the only emotions left in Headquarters are Anger, Fear and Disgust.

The important message in life is emotions are ok. We are allowed to feel a certain way about a certain situation. A loved one passes away we are allowed to be sad. A toy gets stolen we are allowed to be mad. We are having a good time; we are allowed to be happy.

We just need to be able to manage our emotions when things don't go well. We need to be able to express to a trusted person how we are feeling. I have provided a link that can help with emotions and buzz words that may come up

<http://supp.apa.org/books/Helping-Skills-Fourth-student/PDF/EmotionWordsChecklist.pdf>

Please if you have any concerns regarding yourself, family, child please feel free to contact the school to make an appointment to speak to myself. I am available for a chat Tuesday and Wednesday.

Also make sure you do yourself a favour and see this latest blockbuster.

*If you would like to discuss any matter with me regarding this document or any other matter feel free to contact the front office to schedule a meeting with me. I am available Tuesday and Wednesday. Chris Judd*

*The Chaplaincy position at Forrestfield Primary School is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations under the National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Programme. The views expressed herein do not necessarily represent the views of the Australian*

## WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK—

### Find 4.5 'Star' washing machines

Washing machines use around 27% of water in the home. As with dishwashers, try not to operate them with small loads. If you are buying a new machine look for the Water Efficiency Label — the more 'Stars' the better. Consider buying a 4.5 'Star' rated front loading machine. They generally use less water than top loaders.

## MATHS COMPETITION NEWS

Congratulations to all students who entered the third **Family Maths Fun Competition** in our last newsletter. It was great to see children from all year levels trying to solve the tricky problems.

The first two entries drawn from the box were **Zuzanna Murawska** —Year 3 Room 4 and **Breehanna Lampard**— Year 3 Room 4 Congratulations girls.



**The answers were : 1. C 125Kms 2. A 27 3. B 84L 4. \$2.90 5. C 100kms**

**The fourth competition is included with this week's newsletter.** (Don't forget, you can pick up additional copies from the office if younger siblings would like to enter.)

Have fun solving the problems!

## VIRTUES AND BEHAVIOUR FOCUS

Our focus virtue is **PERSEVERANCE**  
and our focus behaviour is

**When we go to the office we . . .**



1. Walk
2. Wait Quietly
3. Respond Politely
4. Speak Clearly
5. Listen Carefully
6. Say Thank you
7. Return to class quietly

