



Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,
I am proud to inform our school community that three community events over the last two weeks have highlighted the excellent learning programs at our school.

On Thursday 28th August, I attended the opening of "Making a Mark" an exhibition of work from our TAGS art students at the Zig Zag Gallery in Kalamunda. Mrs Parker and selected students from our cooking program catered for the event and did a wonderful job. Feedback from our parents and members of the public was glowing and I congratulate Mr Gear and his talented group of young artists.



Congratulations to TAGs Art Student **Callum Sharp** (Year 7) who was a student winner in the **Silk Cut Award** in Melbourne.

Callum's lino print will be gifted to the National Gallery. For details of this competition go to www.silkcutlino.com/announcements/2014-Award-Results



IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

SAT 13	Meet Your Neighbour Community Event 9am Community Garden Busy Bee in our garden. All welcome. 12 noon Lunch and musical performance at FIRS
15	Dental Screening
17	DRLC Jumps and Throws event at Forrestfield Primary
18	P&C Meeting 2.00pm
19	DRLC Interschool Carnival
24	Parent Newsletter Room 13 TED Assembly
26	LAST DAY OF TERM 3

TERM 4 STARTS

TUESDAY 14th OCTOBER

Last Wednesday night I attended **The Massed Choir Festival** at Winthrop Hall, in the University of Western Australia. Mr Borbas and his choir practised all year for this event and joined with choirs from seven primary schools for the performance. I am sure that parents who joined us on the night will agree that it was outstanding night, in an amazing venue. Our thanks to our P&C for purchasing uniforms for our choir. I have included a picture of our choir outside Winthrop Hall on Page 2.

Does your child ride to school on their bike and are they wearing a helmet? We ask parents to support us and ensure that children wear their helmets to and from school.

We hope all our dads had a happy **Fathers' Day** on Sunday. Page 3 of our newsletter this week features our budding carpenters!

Diane Greenaway **PRINCIPAL**

STUDENT ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to all our winners of Honour Certificates at this week's Student Assembly. Badges were also presented to our new Garden Guardians, who are listed below. We are sure that they will wear them with pride.

All family and friends are invited to Room 13's TED Assembly to be held on 24th September. We hope to see you there.

Honour Certificates	
Rm 2	Kuini Bavadra, Kelly Clemett
Rm 4	Senugi Rodrigo, Pareao McRae, Mitchell Peterson
Rm 9	Kelly Elsdon, Tarleigh Tuckett
Rm12	Errol Garlett, Mitchell White
Rm13	Bol Augustino, Mantayah Kennedy
Rm 16	Rodney Kennedy, Mya Kingi, Makaela Finlay
Cooking	Kaiden Smith, Ben Vua

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR BORBAS AND OUR SCHOOL CHOIR



DARLING RANGE SPORTS COLLEGE PARENT TRANSITION INFORMATION SESSIONS

We would like to invite parents of all current Year 6 and 7 students to attend our Parent Transition Information Sessions

Current Year 7 Students
Tuesday 4th November at 6.30pm

Current Year 6 Students
Wednesday 5th November at 6.30pm

The sessions will be held in the sports stadium at
Darling Range Sports College

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the
College on 9453 0100 by Tuesday 28th October

We look forward to seeing you there

GARDEN GUARDIANS

Congratulations to the following students who are our latest Garden Guardians:

Bianca Batty, Michael Russell,
Dustin Brown, Kahlan Fernie-Keep, Ben Vua,
Mohammed Kennedy, Dayna Plese,
Mervyn Woods, Sarah Jafari, Casey Slater.

Department of Health calls for chickenpox vaccinations

The Department of Health is reminding adults and children to get [vaccinated for chickenpox](#). Chickenpox is a serious disease that can make children very sick and cause serious health complications in adults. WA has had 213 reported cases of chickenpox this year, and data from recent years shows the highest number of cases are reported in August.



Bunnings Make a Toolbox Incursion



HOPE FOR TOMORROW!

This is the generation that lives post-911 when the western world changed forever. Almost all of the children in our school were born after September 11, 2001 and none of them have experienced the world without the threat of terrorism influencing their lives. At my age it doesn't seem that long ago, but so much has changed since when I grew up in the last century. Our loss of distance from danger has also seen a general decrease in our social self-respect, responsibility and safe behaviour. It is no coincidence that our school mascot, Ted, reminds us to Treat Everyone Decently by being respectful, responsible, and safe.



Now that I have a son in the Australian Army, I am constantly reminded of the cost of the volatile world that we live in. And since his wife and three young boys have moved over east to be with him, the value of our nation's self-defence has become real and personal to me. However, this does not in any way diminish the possibilities for joy and contentment in our lives. We do not have to give other people power over our own outlook on life. Life is what we make of it, and fear of the future does not have to limit our wonder and satisfaction in life. With a personal acceptance of the responsibilities of society, and a positive attitude to the ups and downs that come our way, we can enjoy a fulfilling life regardless of external pressures.

One of the most important ingredients to successfully overcome our own worry and fear of the future is to build good healthy friendships. This begins at home, in sharing our lives together as a family. The parent-child relationship is so important and has the potential to be so beneficial in our lives. As an adult we can instil in our child a confidence and a hope for tomorrow that will help them more than cope with life and its uncertainties. One of the best things we can do as a family is talk about our experiences, our hopes and ambitions, and our memories together. And we can always benefit from having lots of laughs in each other's company. Having fun together builds hope and resilience, whether through playing family games, watching funny movies, playing sport together, or just joking around with one another. In the end, we can always cheer each other up as a family, and look to the future inspired with confidence, hope and courage for the days ahead.



Wishing you and your dear family rich and joyful relationships together, from your school chaplain Paul Johnston, here for you on Mondays and Tuesdays.

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

WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK— Install a rainwater tank

Each year, around 40,000 litres of water could be collected from your home's roof area and used on the garden taking pressure off our drinking water



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 2013 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 **SELF DISCIPLINE**

and our focus behaviour is

“Canteen Behaviour”

We ask that parents reinforce these at home with their children.



When we eat we . . .

1. Sit in the correct area.
2. Eat with our mouths closed.
3. Put all rubbish in the bin.
4. Pick up any other rubbish we see lying around.

