



Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,
Term 4 has commenced smoothly and we are busy preparing for the **official opening of our school kitchen next Thursday**. Notes have been sent home outlining the day's events, inviting families to breakfast, requesting orders for lunch and inviting you to the official opening assembly commencing at 2.30pm. We are delighted that our Education Minister, the Honourable Peter Collier will be opening our kitchen. For further information, please check the school website.



We are proud to announce that our **Year 7 TAGs writing group** came **second in the State** and **won first prize for Best Illustrated Book in the Katharine Susannah Prichard Write A Book In A Day Competition**. This is a national competition which is held to give students the opportunity to plan, design, write, illustrate and publish an eight chapter, 2,500 - 3,000 word book in eight hours. We competed against much larger public and private schools and these results are outstanding for our little school. Well done Mr Gear and students!

We are currently updating our school uniform. This process will commence with our current factions changing to three houses at the beginning of 2015. Our senior students have been researching our local settlers and have decided on house names — **Hale (Gold)**, **Forrest (Green)** and **Hawtin (RED)**. From the beginning of 2015, all students will wear their school uniform Monday to Thursday and their **House shirt on Fridays**.

IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER

28	Edu-Dance—all classes DRSC Year 7 Transition Day
29	DRSC Year 6 Transition Day
30	Official Opening of our Kitchen All welcome
31	Kindy 2015 Parent Meeting 1.00pm

NOVEMBER

3-7	Year 5, 6, 7 Camp
4	Edu-Dance—All classes
5	Room 12 TED Assembly

A warm welcome to our new staff Mrs Colleen Barclay and Mrs Danielle Miller. Mrs Barclay will be teaching Italian on Thursdays and Mrs Miller will be teaching Science on Tuesdays.



Diane Greenaway

PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL WATCH

"School Watch encourages the school community to report any suspicious activity in and around school grounds, after hours and on weekends, as well as during school holidays. Telephone 1800

STUDENT ASSEMBLY.

Congratulations to all our winners of Honour Certificates and other awards at the Assembly this morning.

Callum Sharp (Year 7) was presented with his award for winning the Silk Cut Lino Print Competition. (picture page 3)

Room 4 won the **Garden Award** and Room 2 won the **Kitchen Award**. **Best Attendance** for this fortnight was Room 12 (95%) with the runner up, Room 4 (90%) Keep up the wonderful attendance. .



Honour Certificates	
Rm 2	Jacob Gilbert, D'arcy Harris
Rm 4	Ethan Vidich, Tanya Blessy - Suku
Rm 9	Alyna Cooper-Wineera, Jakeisha Kennedy
Rm12	Abbas Akbari, Jeanelle Peyroux
Rm13	Jack Kelly, Saira Finlay
Rm 16	Cody Broadwith, Kassidi Kennedy, Leigh Norton
Cooking	Pareao McRae, Tarleight Tuckett, Zac Purtle, Katelin Holland

All parents are invited to our next TED

Assembly on Wednesday 12th November when the children from Room 9 will be hosting the assembly and presenting the item.

TERM 4—NO HAT NO PLAY IN THE SUN

Term 4 is no hat, no play in the sun term. We ask that all parents



PLANNING FOR 2015

As we approach the end of the 2014 school year, planning is commencing for next year.

If you are moving and your child/children will not be attending next year, please advise the front office or contact the school on 9453 6277.

Parents are reminded that if their **children are not attending Forrestfield Primary in 2015**, due to graduation or moving address, to make sure they are now enrolled at their new schools.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

A reminder that **School Contributions and Charges** are now due. Thank you to all those families who have made their payments.

Voluntary Contributions for 2014 are \$40 per child. P & C Contributions for 2014 are \$10 for one child and \$20 for two or more children.

Your contributions relate directly to the provision of materials and equipment to be used by all the children.

Contributions can be paid at Administration at any time by Cash, Cheque or Eftpos. Payments can also be made through internet banking. Part payments can also be made. Please call into the Office at any time to make arrangements.



↑ Callum Sharp accepts his award from Mr Gear
↓ Garden Art



Plant labels for the garden



AROUND THE SCHOOL THIS WEEK



EDU-DANCE lessons on Tuesday.
They're lots of fun!



SCHOOL CAMP WEEK!

This year our special upper school camp week is nearly here. Week four will be upon us very quickly, and then our year five to seven students will head off on the bus to Busselton. What a terrific time it will be for them! There are so many memorable moments made on school camps, and lots of fun and interesting experiences had. I fondly remember the last camp Forrestfield Primary School senior students went on, also to Busselton, a couple of years ago. We all enjoyed an action-packed week of new and unusual things, and even our bus driver got involved in all the activities and excitement.

The first part of the big adventure is the actual trip on the bus together, telling jokes and stories, playing travel games, and just enjoying each others company. Some students will talk non-stop all the way, a few will sit quietly and keep to themselves, and some may even drop off to sleep. There will be lots of interesting sights to see on the way, and the miles will quickly fly by until someone says "Are we there yet?" From then on, everyone will be eager to arrive and check out the campsite to claim their bunk bed and corner of a dorm to store their gear.



Once the bus arrives at camp, the first big difference is no school uniforms, and everyone looks so different. The whole group gathers together to hear the camp rules and find out where everything is, and who goes where. Next, the camp duties start, and the rosters for jobs begin. There is kitchen duty, table setting, clean ups, and washing up. The first day it is all new, but soon all the students settle in and work together to help keep things running smoothly. Eventually, after dinner on a wearing first day, everyone gets ready for lights out. A few will try and stretch the night, and some may get homesick, but eventually the campsite goes quiet and all heads are snoring on their pillows at last.

Some of the highlights of the camp may include things like all playing cricket together, going fishing off the beach, visiting the famous Busselton jetty and its amazing underwater viewing room, excursions to see and do lots of incredibly fun and exciting things, playing chasey around the campsite, lots of yummy and nutritious meals, and of course the unforgettable end of camp concert performances. There are all the routines, like breakfast, shower times, morning and afternoon snacks and drinks, job rosters, and "don't be late for the bus!" There may be a few minor injuries, not a lot of sleep, and even some embarrassing moments for some. But it all makes for an unforgettable week of forming new friendships and appreciating each other more. All the expenses, preparation, planning, and sleepless nights are truly worth it – thank you to everyone who will make it happen!

Wishing all the signed-up room 2 and room 9 students, parents, and staff a wonderful, memorable and safe camp together in week four, from your school chaplain Paul Johnston, here for our school community 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— Taking showers

Long, hot showers not only waste water but heaps of energy too. Showers account for 36% of all water used inside the home, so an easy way to save is to keep your showers short. A 10 minute shower each day in a conventional 12 litres a minute shower uses approximately 43,000 litres of water each year. A 7 minute shower would use approximately 30,000 litres of water a year, a saving of approximately 13,000 litres a year. If you swap to a water efficient 3 'Star' 9 litre a minute shower, the saving would increase to approximately 20,000 litres a year.



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 **HONESTY**

and our focus behaviour is

"Entering and Exiting the School Grounds"

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



When we enter and exit school grounds we ...

1. Walk onto, and away from school grounds in a respectful, responsible and safe manner.
2. Carry our bag, and other belongings responsibly.
3. Are not to play on playground equipment before or after school.
4. Report to the front office if you have not been picked up.