



Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

Our first family event, the **Welcome back to Forrestfield Family Barbecue**, was held last Tuesday night in our community garden. It was a great night to relax, chat and enjoy the delicious sausage sizzle cooked and served by our wonderful teachers. Thank you everyone for coming along and a BIG thank you to Mr Matthews and teachers for organising the event.



After 33 years on our school site, we said goodbye to the **Kindy transportable**. Parent Katie Grosser remembered the Kindy arriving at our site and commented that the building was always meant to be temporary. I think the building served us well and we all look forward to the new school play area and Junior Cluster refurbishments.



Page 3 of our newsletter features the **Spineless Wonders Incursion** which has provided inspiration for our whole school writing program, as well as cross curricular activities. Some of the amazing student work is displayed in the office. Page 2 highlights moments from our weekly Thursday Activity Centre. A reminder that this year our **School Development Days** are;

Term 1 - Week 6 - Tuesday 8th March
Term 2 - Week 7 - Tuesday 7th June
Term 3 - Week 1 - Monday 18th July

IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH

2	Room 1 TED Assembly
7	Labour Day Holiday
8	School Development Day STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL
9	Parent Newsletter
16	Student Assembly
25 –29	Easter Holidays

APRIL

6	Room 2 TED Assembly P&C AGM
8	Anzac Ceremony Last day of term.
TERM 2 STARTS TUESDAY 26TH APRIL	

Term 4 - Week 1 – Monday 10th October, Week 10 Friday 16th December

Please place these dates on your calendar.

Parent nominations for School Council close this Friday. If you would like join our council or find out more about it, please ask me or any of your parent members—Jenny Kelly (Chair), Nicole Fernie-Keep (Secretary), Emma Jane Grierson or Sarah Sheffield.

Our next **TED Assembly** will be held on **Wednesday 2nd March**, commencing at 8.50am when the children from Room 1, Year 5/6, will be presenting the assembly. School Councillor and Faction Badges will be presented to our new school leaders. Parents and family members are welcome to join us and stay for morning tea following the assembly.

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.

STUDENT ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to all our award winners at our last Student Assembly. Our next TED Assembly is Wednesday the 2nd of March at 9.00am. All parents, families and friends are welcome.



Honour Certificates

Rm 1	Atiya Rohullah, Alyssa Hill
Rm 2	Connor Nicholas, Bradley Little, Tobias Peyroux
Rm 4	Jaxon Stone, Jemima Dhungula
Rm 12	William Kelly, Makaela Finlay
Rm 13	Amir Mohamed Hussain, Ishraq Juma
Rm 14	Ashlyn Stone, Tyrece Narrier
Rm 17	Aiden Munday, Emma Robertson

3 YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN AND PARENT GROUP - OUR THANKS TO KMART CAROUSEL

This week our school was fortunate to receive over \$130 worth of items for our Forrestfield Activity Centre, kindly donated by K-Mart. A microwave, kettle, cushions, storage containers, towels and hand wash will be put to good use in the Centre.

A big thank you to Katie Grosser and her sister Sarah for supplying beads and teaching us how to make insect ornaments with them.

The Activity Centre runs every Thursday morning from 9am to 12pm of the school term. Judy Stocks, our school nurse will be visiting us this Thursday. All Welcome.



Deputy's Diary

It's been a flat out two weeks at Forrestfield Primary School and what a great time we have been having. Students are working hard and making great progress across lots of different areas. There is an excited buzz around the school and a great energy following on from the implementation of our school improvement plan.

Anyone who has been passing the school later in the afternoon will notice that the teachers are still on site, meeting to develop new ideas and new plans, and engaging in some great professional learning to improve the outcomes for all of the students at Forrestfield Primary School. We have a very committed staff and it is worth mentioning their great commitment towards making the school a better place for every student.

Thanks to all of those who attended the Welcome Back To Forrestfield night. It was a great turn out and a wonderful opportunity for us to see lots of familiar and new faces. Mr Gear was a legend on the BBQ and a big thanks to all staff, for not only helping out on the night, but also getting all the work done in the background to make the event a success. Remember we are halfway through the term and looking forward to seeing all the great student work and new directions around the school taking shape.

Steve Matthews Deputy Principal



SPINELESS WONDERS



News from the Chaplain

Every morning Forrestfield runs a free breakfast club in the old canteen, near the uniform shop. We provide children with a free nutritious breakfast (toast, eggs, pancakes, cereal, fruit, milk, milo) with all food donated by Manna.



Research has shown that children that have breakfast will perform better and longer in the classroom. If you want some reading on the subject check this link out: <http://healthyeating.sfgate.com/benefits-eating-breakfast-students-7697.html>

We open the doors for breakfast at 8:00am and we close them at 8:25am, which means the students have enough time to make it to class. We have a staff member present so your children will be supervised.

If you would like to come and check out what we do we would love to invite you to have a cuppa and see our breakfast club in action.

If you would like to have a chat with me about anything at all, I am available Tuesday and Wednesday or you can email me at chrisj@youthcare.org.au

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 Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

P & C News

The Canteen is ONLY open on Friday at recess & lunch. All lunch orders must be received by the canteen before school. For a copy of the menu, see the P & C Facebook Page or ask at the office.

School Banking has moved to Fridays. It has also moved to the canteen. Please fill out your deposit slip before coming to school.

Blue School Bucket Hats are back in stock. They're \$10 each and available at the Uniform Shop or the Office.

The Easter Raffle is back

You can help by donating Easter Eggs, Bunnies, Bilbies or other Chocolate goodies.

The more donations we receive, the more Easter Egg hampers we can make.

Please drop them at the office.

We will be sending home raffle tickets home in the next fortnight.

CAN YOU HELP

We urgently need empty 2 litre plastic Coke/Lemonade bottles for Science.

Please drop off bottles at the Office.



WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK—Water the garden -not the road

Ensure that your reticulation is watering the garden and not the road, driveway or pavement. Not only does your garden not get watered, thousands of litres of water are wasted. Remember to check your system regularly and replace worn nozzles or broken seals. Installing a tap timer will help you to control the amount of water you apply to your lawn or garden, so no water is wasted unnecessarily. Remember in summer any more than 15 minutes watering goes below the roots and is wasted.



LESMURDIE
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Lesmurdie Extension and Acceleration Program (LEAP) an Approved Specialist Program in Science and Mathematics for students from Years 7 to 9 gives children opportunities to explore their talents and extend their learning at a specialist level. If your child is entering Year

7 in 2017 you can apply for selection. Testing will take place at the school on **Saturday 2 April 2016**.

Information and application forms are available on the LEAP page at lesmurdie.wa.edu.au or telephone Jessica Cabbage LEAP Coordinator, on 9291 1247.



SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

A reminder that School Contributions and Text book levies are now due.

Voluntary Contributions for 2016 are \$50 per child.

P & C Contributions for 2016 are \$10 for one child and \$20 for two or more children.

Text book levy for years 1 - 6 is \$25.

Your contributions are extremely important and supplement all school programs and activities. Please help us to provide the best education possible for your child/children.

Your contributions, by part/full payment, can be paid at the office at any time by Cash, Cheque or Eftpos. Direct debit to our bank account can be made from home.

