



Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

With just over three weeks until the end of term we are finalising our end of year events and preparing for 2016.

Swimming lessons conclude this week and I congratulate all students for their efforts and for their excellent behaviour over the two weeks. Parents will receive swimming certificates on Monday afternoon.

Last week, Mr O'Connor accompanied Year 6 students Katika Criddle, Kahlan Fernie-Keep, Channa Plese and Dustin Brown to the **Darling Range Learning Community Citizenship Awards** at Darling Range Sports College. These awards, which are open to all Year 6 students, focus on students demonstrating outstanding citizenship both in school and also in the wider community. Congratulations to Katika Criddle who won the Citizenship Award for our school, Chaana Plese (Runner up), Kahlan Fernie-Keep (Commendation) and Dustin Brown (Participation).



Our School Council have met and approved the School Development days for 2016.

2016 School Development Days are;

Term 1 - Thursday 28th and Friday 29th January, Week 6 - Tuesday 8th March

Term 2 - Week 7 - Tuesday 7th June

Term 3 - Week 1 - Monday 18th July

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

In 2016, **Easter Tuesday is on 29 March** and schools are not required to open on this day. Please put these dates in to your calendars for next year.

IMPORTANT DATES

	DECEMBER
2	Parent Newsletter Student Assembly. P&C Meeting following the Assembly.
11	School Reports home Kindy B Group (Monday 14 th December)
14	Year 6 Graduation
16	Concert and Awards Night
17	Last Day of School for students

SCHOOL STARTS MONDAY 1st February 2016

Personal items lists have been sent home today and are due back on **Monday 14th December**. Parents will be able to pick up students items at the school canteen on **Thursday 28th January between 9.00am and 10.30am**.

A reminder to all families that we have a few places remaining in our Kindergarten for next year. Please inform family, friends and neighbours and urge them to enrol. In 2016 we will run one Kindy program so spaces are limited.

All parents are invited to the next **TED Assembly** on **Wednesday 16th December**. This is the final assembly for the school year and an important one to acknowledge our 2015 graduates and class prize winners. We look forward to everyone joining us for the assembly and the following morning tea.

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 Honour Certificate recipient's. Well done and keep up the great work.

Don't forget the next assembly will be held on **Wednesday 16th December** the last assembly for 2015.

Everyone is very welcome to come along.

Honour Certificates

Rm 1	Steven Little, Jayda Abraham.
Rm 2	Atiya Rohullah, Mitchell Peterson, Dani Branut.
Rm 4	Jack Fernie-Keep, Germano Masino, Crystal Walsh
Rm 12	Bianca Alone, Kai-Shay Mancktelow,
Rm 13	Andrew Marshall-John, Rodney Kennedy
Garden	Sarah Jafari, Sophie McIntosh, Jemima
Music	Natasha Badoo, Charissa McDonald.



From the Deputies Desk.

As we get closer to the end of the year it is fantastic to see all the great work that students have produced and really pleasing to be reading a lot of the positive comments from teachers about the way all the students at Forrestfield Primary School have progressed this year. 2016 promises to be a fantastic new journey for everyone connected to FPS and we are earnestly preparing for an exciting and new focus on teaching and learning next year. Teachers have been hard at work behind the scenes to work on a new direction for the school and there has been considerable effort placed into redeveloping programs for all key learning areas across the school. Students should be excited about the proposed changes and we are confident that their implementation will see the kids at FPS making some great progress in their learning.

It has been really pleasing to see the large number of students participating in the Interm swimming. It is great to see over 100 students taking advantage of this program and developing what is a very important life skill for all Australians. The students have been very well behaved and fantastic representatives of the school. The swimming supervisor related to me that they are the best school attending.

Just remember the End of Year Concert on Tuesday December 15th where I look forward to catching up with all parents and caregivers. Have a great fortnight.

Steve Matthews

GARDEN REPORT

Summer is here and with the predictions by the Weather Bureau it is going to be a scorcher.

We are preparing the garden beds for the heat by applying soil wetting agents and mulch. Reticulation to garden beds that haven't been planted will be disconnected over the summer holidays to conserve water.

We are fortunate to have a community member who feeds our chickens every day of the year. He is able to check on the garden and contacts the school if there are any issues during the holidays. Mr Batory, our gardener, also does a fabulous job ensuring that the plants are watered and the garden is kept tidy.

If anyone is interested in volunteering for garden duties during the break please contact Mr Gear before the end of term.





The Year 5/6 TAGS group have been painting Self Portraits in acrylic paint on stretched canvas.

The students had their photos taken which were adjusted to create strong contrast between dark and light areas. They drew a grid onto their photos and a corresponding grid on their canvases. All students then transferred their portraits onto the canvas in pencil plotting their features where they intersected with the grid lines on their photos.

Using a limited palette they have been learning how to model the forms of their face by mixing shades and tints of a colour. They were also encouraged to mix colours as close as they could to the photos.

The results have been fabulous with the students creating some remarkable realistic portraits. The finished works will be displayed in the library before the end of the year.



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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Sharing a Hills Christmas is an initiative that helps people in our community that does not have a lot during the Christmas Season. Families that qualify, from around the community, receive hampers that are full of goodies that will help them during the Festive season. We are asking the Forrestfield community if they would like to make a small donation to make this possible. The list of items that can be provided is as follows:

Christmas puddings

Bon Bons

Christmas Cakes/Fruit Mince Pies

Tinned Meat/Ham/Fish

Tinned Vegetables (Peas, Corns etc.)

Coffee, Tea, Milo

Cool Drinks

Non Alcoholic Cider

Lollies

Chips/Pretzels/Nuts

Custard (Long Life)

Cream (Long Life)

Milk (Long Life)

Tinned Fruits

Cordial

Shortbread Biscuits

Tinned Biscuits

Ribbon

Money to purchase bulk items.

They are also after some small gifts for the family members. They are looking at gifts suitable for all ages, and everything must be in new condition. We require the goods in Room 5 by the end of school on the 8th December 2015. If you can help, please see Chris for more details.

Feel free to contact me on my email:

chrisj@youthcare.org.au if you have any questions. Also you can see me around the school on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Chris Judd

Chaplain

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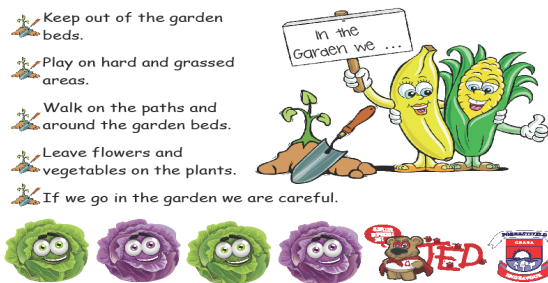
P & C NEWS

CANTEEN: The canteen will be serving recess and lunch for this Friday and next Friday. Recess menu includes Cheese Toasties, Lamingtons, Popcorn, Party Pies and Juice Boxes. All items are \$1.

This weeks Summertime Lunch Special is: Spaghetti Bolognese.

UNIFORM SHOP: The Uniform Shop will open on the final two Wednesdays of Term so parents can purchase uniforms for 2016.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: The P & C will be serving light refreshments, at reasonable prices, prior to this year's end of year concert. Come early & celebrate with us!



KALAMUNDA MUSIC ACADEMY

Does your child want to learn an instrument?

Kalamunda Music Academy is now accepting enrolments for Term 1, 2016 and offers lessons in guitar, piano, vocal, drums, violin, flute and more! The highly experienced, tertiary qualified

instructors ensures your child will be playing in no time and above all, having a heap of fun! KMA operates after school hours right here in Forrestfield Primary.

Contact them on 1300 K MUSIC

or info@kalamundamusicacademy.com.au to book your Trial Lesson for only \$20.00 when you mention this ad."

