



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 4 - Week 9

Tuesday 7 December, 2010

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Regrettably our swimming carnival was washed out by the rain yesterday. Unfortunately we are not able to re-schedule the event for this year.

Coming up this week is our senior (yrs 5 & 6) excursion to Canberra. This will be a huge learning opportunity for the children as well as a fun filled time away. The children are all looking forward to the event with enthusiasm.

Our presentation night commences at 6 p.m. next Tuesday evening (14th December). This is always a very exciting evening and we hope you'll all be able to attend. Much preparation is going into this event by staff and students.

As we come to the end of the year it is time to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our school staff. It has been a particularly difficult year for me personally with the health complications that took me by surprise. I am very grateful for the support of the staff, especially Mrs Brown who acted as Principal during my absence as well as continuing her fantastic work in the classroom. It was great to be able to employ the talents of Mr Neich to fill in on my class during my illness and convalescence. I'd also like to thank Mrs Cullen and Mrs Porteous for their excellent efforts with our junior students and Mr Holschier for his organisation of sports and the support learning teacher role. This year we have had the services of Cheryl White and Tania Lingard as Teacher's Aides. They too have done a fantastic job supporting teachers and children in our classrooms. Our school grounds are well maintained and general maintenance problems fixed thanks to the efforts of Mr Lawrence. You rarely see him, but our rooms and toilets are always well cleaned by Mr Trier who comes in each afternoon after the children have gone home. Most importantly I wish to express my gratitude and thanks to Mrs Morison who has kept our school administration on track as well as supporting all our staff. Many thanks also to Mrs Bransgrove who has had a difficult time in her role as library assistant with no library in place and now having to face the difficult task of getting all our books back onto shelves and able to be used once more. Finally, thank you to you, our Falls Creek community, for your support of the school in 2010. We look forward to another great year working together for our children in 2011. We wish you all the best for Christmas and the New Year and hope to see you all well and enthusiastic as the new school year begins on 31st January, 2011.

Rob Currie

K/1 News

Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, we are busy preparing for our Christmas item. If your child has a santa hat, would they please bring it in to school for the item.

We are looking forward to our Teddy Bear Picnic tomorrow.

Regards

Bonnie Cullen

4/5/6 News

A very close win in table points last week saw the Volcom Stone win by just three points after a later surge by the Golden Eagles. Well done Volcom Stone.

In maths we have been looking at perimeter and area so ask your kids to help you calculate the costs of your next renovation.

Canberra excursion 1 day to go!!

Only one sleep to go until Canberra! Hopefully year four won't miss us too much. Enjoy the peace and quiet year four! **Students will need to arrive at Kennedy's bus depot (7 Flinders Road, South Nowra) at 6.45 a.m. The bus will depart at 7 a.m. SHARP. On Friday, the bus will return at approximately 4.30 p.m.**

Ben Neich

MERIT AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE ASSEMBLY IN WEEK 8

K/1/2 Ashley Harrop, Madison McCartney, Ned Andrew and Saskia Christen

2/3 Jack Pridham, Dallas Riley-Burnes, Lachlan Stuckey and Oliver Macken

4/5/6 Chloe Waghorn, Harry Harnwell, Jesse Richards and Chloe Stuckey

BRIDGE BUILDER AWARDS

Bronze - Eliana Macken, Oliver Macken and Matthew Dillon

Silver - Jason Morgan

Gold/Silver/Bronze - Chloe Stuckey, Trent Waldron, Nigel Waldron and Caleb Blake

PLAYGROUND STARS

Caleb French, Emma Tanoai, Kurt Wisniewski and Brett Pridham

BEST CLASS AT ASSEMBLY - 4/5/6

Congratulations to all these students.

2/3 News

Mrs Brown is unwell this week, hoping she will be back on deck next week. The students are practising for their Christmas item and making decorations this week.

Susan

Canteen News

As the year is drawing to an end, the canteen wishes to celebrate with you by having a Merry Christmas Lunch Deal on Monday 13 December.

Go naughty for a day! For \$5 you have a choice of a **Chicken Tortilla** or a **Hot Dog and Sauce**, a **packet of Smiths Chips** and a **can of drink**.

What a deal !!!

Fill out the box below and put into your lunch order bag or write your choice onto your lunch order bag and put into the green box outside the canteen.

Congratulations to Cathy Ludcombe for being November's volunteer voucher draw winner!

CHRISTMAS MEAL DEAL - \$5		
Chicken Tortilla	[]	
or		
Hot Dog & Sauce	[]	
Chips	Original	[]
	Chicken	[]
	BBQ	[]
	Twisties	[]
Drink	Coke	[]
	Sunkist (orange)	[]
	Lemonade	[]
	Solo (lemon)	[]

Our usual range is also available for lunch. For recess there is banana muffins, choc chip muffins or pikelets. Another special – **Frozen Orange Juice cups - 35c each**, great for those hot days.

The P&C are asking for a volunteer to do the canteen roster. If you are able to assist, please let the office know.

Rowena

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 10 December - Janelle Worley

Monday 13 December - Jan Myers

WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

This Week (Week 9)

☺ **Tuesday 7 December**

- Bunnings BBQ Meeting - 6 p.m.

☺ **Wednesday 8 December to Friday 10 December**

- Year 5 and 6 Canberra Excursion

☺ **Thursday 9 December**

- Thank You Morning Tea 10.45 - 11.30 a.m.

Next Week (Week 10)

☺ **Monday 13 December**

- Reports to go home

☺ **Tuesday 14 December**

- Presentation Night - 6 p.m.

- Christmas Raffle drawn at Presentation Night

☺ **Wednesday 15 December**

- Year 5 and 6 to Funland Ulladulla

- Last day for students

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

December 12 - Holly Finch

Sport

What a disaster. We got to the pool yesterday and the rain came bucketing down. Thinking it would clear up we got started and managed to hold quite a few races but the rain persisted so we had to stop. We witnessed a great medley race between Harry and Lewis. Harry managed to stay just in front for the whole race but it was really close. Great job boys.

Unfortunately there are no dates available to run the carnival again this year.

Many thanks to the parents, staff and students who helped out on the day.

John

P&C News

Christmas Raffle

The Christmas raffle tickets were sent home to families last week. Additional tickets can be collected from the office if needed. Please return all sold and unsold raffle tickets by Tuesday 14 December. The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday evening at our Presentation Night.

Bunnings BBQ

We have been invited to the Bunning's BBQ meeting tonight, Tuesday 7 December at 6 p.m. This meeting goes over the rules etc and most importantly we will get our BBQ dates for 2011. Somebody must attend to get a spot for the school so if you are able to help out please let the office know.

Lyn Brown



Ice Creams will be on sale
Wednesdays and Thursdays for \$1 each

Teddy Bears Picnic

Tomorrow K-4 will be joining together for a fun picnic day at school.

After recess, we will be participating in some fun activities followed by a teddy bears picnic on the school oval (under shelter if raining) at 12:30 pm.

After lunch we will all combine to watch a G rated film and enjoy some popcorn.

Please pack:

- your regular lunch
- a hat
- a teddy bear or soft toy
- a picnic blanket (if available).

Uniform: Mufti

