



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

TALKABOUT

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Term 4 - Week 3

Wednesday 22 October, 2014

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I am currently at the Australian Primary Principal's Association Annual Conference in Sydney. I will be back at school next week.

Attendance at School and Absences: It is vitally important that all students attend school daily. Parents can be prosecuted for not ensuring their children attend school. Having days off to celebrate birthdays or to help out at home are not valid reasons for students to be absent from school and we have to record these as unjustified absences.

DEC policy states that if your child is away for 2 consecutive days his/her teacher will ring you to ask why your child is not at school. We will be following this directive. If your child is absent it is important that you contact the school.

If we cannot reach you or the emergency contacts you have provided, then I must contact the police and ask them to find/contact you and ask why your child has not been at school.

If you have any questions about this please contact the school for further information.

Kindergarten 2015: We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten for 2015. If you have a child who will turn 5 prior to July 31, 2015, please come and see me to discuss their enrolment. Likewise, if you have a neighbour who has a child turning 5 next year, please ask them to come to the school for an enrolment package. Orientation Day will be held on Tuesday 11 November at 1.30pm. Transition days will be on Tuesdays 11, 18 and 25 November at 1.30pm.

Canberra Excursion: This is fast approaching – we only have 2 weeks to go!! Please remember that payment for the excursion must be finalised by **Friday 24 October** (this week!). Please return medical notes as soon as possible. The total cost of the excursion must be finalised for your child to attend. Student Assistance is available – please contact the office.

Reward Day: This will be held later this term. Students who receive 3 or more behaviour slips in class or in the playground will not be eligible to attend the reward day. We will be reminding students of this on a daily and weekly basis as we would like all students to attend the reward day. Plans are underway for the day – we are keeping the destination a surprise at this stage.

Bushfire Season: Falls Creek Public School is once again on the DEC's Bushfire Register. This means that if there is a 'Catastrophic Fire Danger' rating declared, the school will cease operations on that day. All parents will be notified of this the afternoon before the school is to be closed. Further information about this is available on the school's website on the following link:

www.fallscreek-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/rules-policies/bushfire-safety-information

Nicole

K/2H NEWS

This week in Spelling we are looking at words that contain 'ar'. Year 1 and 2 are continuing to practice their use of a dictionary.

This week in Maths we are looking at whole numbers and exploring ordinal numbers and rounding (Years 1 and 2).

I know everyone is having a great time with Mrs Robinson.

Please come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Nicole

In Science in week 4 we will be designing and making the 'perfect' classroom. To help us with our models we will need recyclable goodies such as boxes, lids and containers of all sizes. If you could start sending these in we would really appreciate it.

Thanks in advance,

Lyn

3/6B NEWS

This week Stage 2 and 3 students have commenced units in HSIE and Science which are 'Australia You're Standing in It' and 'Our Australia'. Students have been busy creating power points on Australian fauna and flora which they will save into a school data base which we can all share. Assessments will be based on factual information researched and effective presentation of the power point. Results so far are very impressive!

I'm sure in Week 3 students in 3/6B will make a greater effort and return homework on time. We would like to see 100% involvement. Well done to those students who did hand work it in on Friday and change their home readers.

Further revision of fractions is required for class 3/6B. The Maths unit this week is position and students will be mapping the playground.

Susan Porteous

3/6L NEWS

A big thankyou to students who submitted their home work last week. Fractions and decimals can be challenging and it was great to see a good understanding of the topic reflected in the submitted homework. I have also been most impressed this week with almost half the class already submitting their completed homework, if we could be as punctual with our home readers it would be fantastic. In Maths this week we are revising position and learning to read and interpret maps. We have started our HSIE and Science topics last week based on Australia. Students have been busy researching native flora and fauna to create a power point and submit it to a data base for students. Next week a prac student from University Of Wollongong will be commencing in our class. Mrs Knight will be in our class for the next 5 weeks and will be helping to teach the students .

Dion Lalor

MS CULLEN

Thankfully the rain has eased and the students have finally been able to explore our new gymnastics equipment. K/2H had a fantastic time practising their forward roll skills! During Creative Arts activities each class has been starting to learn new songs to perform at presentation night.

Bonnie Cullen

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 24 October

Jason Elliott



National Bandanna Day 2014

Friday 31 October.

Bandannas are \$4 each & Pens are \$3 each

(available from the office - SELLING FAST!)

WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

THIS WEEK (3)

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| ☺Wednesday 22 October | Active After School Communities - Baseball |
| ☺Thursday 23 October | P & C Meeting 6pm |

NEXT WEEK (4)

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| ☺Tuesday 28 October | Active After School Communities - Cricket |
| ☺Wednesday 29 October | Active After School Communities - Baseball |
| ☺Thursday 30 November | Assembly 2.15pm |
| ☺Friday 31 October | National Bandanna Day |
| | National Parks/Ranger visit (Years 3 - 6) |

COMING EVENTS

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| ☺Wednesday 5 - Friday 7 November | Canberra Excursion (Years 4 - 6) |
| ☺Tuesday 11 November | Kinder Orientation 1.30pm |
| ☺Tuesday 18 November | Kinder Transition 1.30pm |
| ☺Tuesday 25 November | Kinder Transition 1.30pm |

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Presented at assembly Thursday 16 October

MERIT AWARDS

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| K/2H | Emily Sammut, Brayden Cullen, Lani Attard, Casey Lalor and Kaleb Flear. |
| 3/6B | Ashleigh Bloxsome, Aden Gimmler, Sam Ramsay and Lachlan Jensen. |
| 3/6L | Lachlan Flear, Dallas Riley-Burnes, Annie Kubinyi and Addyson Abbott. |
| Ms Cullen | Ashleigh Bloxsome, Evie Finch and Kurt Wisniewski. |

BRIDGE BUILDER AWARDS

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| Bronze | Bailey Cullen, Sam Ramsay, Kiho Luke, Erik Kubinyi, Liam Henkel. |
| Silver | Steven Blume, Emily Sammut, Declan Flear, Brayden Cullen. |
| Gold | Kaleb Flear, Lani Attard, Torlea Blume. |

PLAYGROUND STARS WINNERS

Akasha Duke, Jonas Duke, Olivia McKibbin, Addyson Abbott, Jayden Lalor and Lachlan Stuckey.

QUIET ACHIEVER AWARDS

Evie Finch, Steven Blume, Aden Gimmler, Sam Ramsay, Levi Robinson and Jayden Lalor.

COMMUNITY NEWS





ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN FOR 2015

The Central Shoalhaven Mobile Preschool is a community owned, not for profit organisation. University and TAFE trained staff provide an educational program for children aged between 3 and 5 years, in a motivating setting to enhance each child's preparation for school.

We visit Callala Beach, Cambewarra, Falls Creek and Huskisson weekly.

Preschool hours are from 9am - 3.00pm,
extended hours available from 8am.

Come along and give your child the opportunity to make new friends within the local area. Subsidies are available.



All enquiries welcome
Phone: 44230571 /0432274244 /0412928095

We are a registered Preschool not a Long Day Care facility




SHOALHAVEN YOUTH REFERENCE GROUP

Volunteers wanted
A fun way to have a say and help
other young people in the region

If you're 16-25yo and passionate about young people apply online at the headspace Nowra website (google 'headspace Nowra' and follow the links). We'll get in touch with you. Applications open now. Meetings fortnightly. Events monthly. Awesomeness constantly.

FOR PICS AND VIDEOS OF SYRG ACTIVITIES
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YOU WILL GAIN:

QUALIFICATIONS & TRAINING:
media skills
Mental Health First Aid
dealing with the public
youth health promotion
stuff for your resume
professional references

EXPERIENCE:
event planning
professional meetings
leadership
media performance
film making
social media
public speaking

FUN STUFF:
plan and run events
talk about youth issues
make friends
eat lots of food
make a difference
casual, social, fun



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BOOK CLUB orders for issue 7 must be back at school tomorrow (Thursday). Thank you



School Assembly

16 Oct 2014

