

FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

## TALKABOUT

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**Term 1 - Week 11**

**Wednesday 11 April, 2014**

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### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to all parents who were able to attend the Easter Hat Parade yesterday. Everyone had a great time and the hats or crazy hair looked fantastic! There were also lots of prizes to be won in the raffle – congratulations to all our winners. The huge bunny was a hit!!!

Term 1 finishes this Friday 11 April. Students return to school on Tuesday 29 April.

**ANZAC Day:** This falls on the last Friday of the school holidays. Our school will once again be participating in the ANZAC Day march at Huskisson. Our school leaders are expected to lead the school in this event. Everyone is asked to meet near the public toilets in Hawke St Huskisson at 10am to be ready for the march at 10.30am. There is a service at 11am in Voyager Park and the leaders will lay a wreath on behalf of the school. Children who attend are expected to wear full school uniform and their school hat. It is often a good idea to bring a water bottle as well, especially if it is a warm day. I hope that many students can join us at the march and service. Please let the office know this week if you are attending.

**School Photos:** These are going to be taken on Thursday 1 May (in week 1 of next term. Order forms are being sent home today for all families. **Please return all order forms by the day of the photos.** If paying by cash, the correct amount must be placed in the order envelope as the money goes directly to the photographer and the school cannot provide change. All students will be part of the class photo but only those students who have returned their order forms will have individual and family photos taken.

Students are to wear full **summer** school uniform for the photos.

**NAPLAN:** The annual assessments in Literacy and Numeracy for Years 3 and 5 will be held from Tuesday 13 – Thursday 15 May (week 3 of next term). All students are expected to sit this test. The schedule for assessments is as follows:

Tuesday: Language Conventions and Writing

Wednesday: Reading

Thursday: Numeracy

Please come and see me if you have any questions about this testing.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Easter and hope that you all enjoy your time with your families. I hope all students stay safe over the holidays and look forward to seeing everyone's happy smiling face on Tuesday 29 April.

**Tree Audit:** The Department of Education and Communities (DEC) has requested that all schools conduct a safety audit on all trees near areas that staff and students use. The audit is to be carried out by a qualified arborist. For Falls Creek Public School, this means that almost all trees will be assessed! The audit of our school will be carried out over the holidays. Any trees deemed to be unsafe will be fenced off and removed as soon as possible.

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

*Nicole*

## **K/2H NEWS**

Everyone had fun yesterday at the parade yesterday. It was great to see so many creative hats (with many having lots of chocolate attached!!).

We have been busy completing assessments in Writing, Reading and Maths this week. Kinder have also been completing assessments on the letters they have learned this term and also on number identification.

Years 1 and 2 had homework this week and this is due in on Friday.

Everyone is very tired after a very busy term, especially Kinder!! I know they will all do lots of sleeping in and enjoy their break. Ms Porteous and I have been very pleased with everyone's effort and hard work this term.

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

*Nicole*

## **3/6B NEWS**

What a wonderful way to start the week with the SISST Cross Country Carnival. Congratulations to all the children who attended. Great participation, behaviour and sportsmanship made for a super day.

Spelling and Dictation champions from last week were - Emily, Rheya, Lachlan. J, Kameisha, Ryan, Sam and Arnie. We are finishing off our assessments this week and revising work covered this term.

There is no set homework so I'm hoping this will be a great opportunity to catch up on Home Readers and past homework sheets, so they can all be handed in before the end of term.

Have a safe and happy holiday. Term 2 is another big one!

*Keep in Touch*

*Lyn*

## **3/6L NEWS**

In 3/6L this week we are conducting assessments for the Mathematic topics we have studied this term. Although challenging, the work we have done in class should ensure good results across the class. As we are in the final week of term we are asking that students return their Home Readers before Friday.

Hope you all have a happy and safe Easter holiday and I am looking forward to a great term of learning when we return.

*Dion Lalor*

## **MS CULLEN**

Today K/2H had a very creative time adding some beautiful paint to their pottery creations. Their pottery fish are being put together to create a mural that will be on display within the classroom.

This week during PE, years 3 - 6 have been focussing on their throwing and catching skills in team based games. These activities are an introduction to some PE skills that will be focussed upon next term. The game the children participated in this week was a simplified version of netball. It was great to see the enthusiasm and teamwork displayed.

Each class has also been discussing bullying and personal safety while using the internet. Below are some of the sites that we explored and found to be very helpful!

Cybersmart - <http://www.cybersmart.gov.au>

Bullying No Way - <http://bullyingnoway.gov.au>

I hope everyone has a fantastic holiday break!

*Bonnie Cullen*

## **SPORTS NEWS**

This week on Monday our Primary students attended the SISST Cross Country Carnival at Willandra. We had 26 students attend the carnival and 14 students qualified for the District Carnival to be held at Willandra next term in week 4. Overall our school placed 4<sup>th</sup> however, we did place 3<sup>rd</sup> in the percentage scores. Well done to Rheya who placed first in the 8/9 year old girls.

Good luck to Dallas today who will be attending the South Coast District trials for rugby league. This event has been postponed several times and had a location change to Sanctuary Point. Dallas made the trials last year and I, as well as Dallas am quite confident he will make the team this year. Good luck Dallas

## P & C NEWS

We had 26 prizes all up for the Easter raffle and raised \$301. Thankyou to everyone who contributed, especially the Robertson family for the donation of a giant bunny and Donna Wyatt for the 2 Nintendo DS's. Dallas & Kameisha were very excited as Niki Staader (nan) was the winner of the giant Easter bunny. The lucky winners of the Nintendo DS's were Lachlan Stuckey and Jan Myers. Our other lucky winners were Steven Blume, Tahlia Taylor -Thomas, M. Myers, Luke Robertson(3), Sharleen Corner, Robert Morison, Arnie Kubinyi, Kelly Sammut, Janine Key (2), Daniel Browne, Hazel Cleary, Mrs Brown, Melanie Lawrence, Ryan Browne, Niki Staader, Les Robinson, Kiho Luke, Aaron French, Caleb French and Lachlan Willis.

## Tea Towel Fundraiser for Mother's Day

The children have been drawing pictures of themselves for a special fundraiser. We are getting tea towels printed with all of our children's pictures as a special memento for 2014. They will be a great present for mum and grandma for Mother's Day or for that special someone anytime!! They will be sold for \$12 each and order forms and more information will be sent home today.

## CANTEEN NEWS

Hello Parents!

Well the end of term is finally here, and as promised, we now have a change of menu ready for Term 2 to spice things up and keep the kids interested.

Please find enclosed the new "Blue Menu" which contains a whole new bunch of items which are tasty and warm as we head into the cooler months. As always, we have retained a few of the old favourites for those that like to stick with what they know.

Can all parents please ensure that you dispose of any old menus as they are no longer current? We had many parents this term still ordering items that have not been available for 8 months or longer, and a lot of incorrect money for items that have had price changes occur, and many items being let go at less than cost price due to this. Thanks for your help here. ☺

In closing, I hope everyone enjoys the new Term 2 menu, and please feel free to contact me or leave feedback at the office. Negative or positive, I look forward to any opportunity for feedback to provide your kids with a menu that pleases.

Until next term, good eating to you all ☺

Regards, James

## CANTEEN ROSTER



Friday 11 April  
Friday 2 May

James Duke  
James Duke



# WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

## THIS WEEK

☺Wednesday 9 April

Active After School Communities

## NEXT TERM

☺Monday 28 April

Staff return to school

☺Tuesday 29 April

School resumes for students

☺Thursday 1 May

School photos

☺Friday 2 May

School Cross Country

### MERIT AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE ASSEMBLY IN WEEK 10

<b>K/2H</b>	Markus Macfarlane, Casey Lalor, Steven Blume, Kiho Luke, George Williams and Torlea Blume.
<b>3/6B</b>	Akasha Duke, Zaliah Key, Annie Kubinyi and Ashleigh Bloxsome.
<b>3/6L</b>	Lachlan Flear, Annie Kubinyi, Bailey Cullen and Lachlan Stuckey.
<b>Ms Cullen</b>	Annie Kubinyi, Sam Ramsay and Corey Henkel.

### BRIDGE BUILDER AWARDS

Bronze - Brayden Cullen  
Bronze - Brodie Partridge  
Silver - Evie Finch  
Gold - Khe-Sanh Duke

### PLAYGROUND STARS WINNERS

Kiho Luke (2), Kaleb Flear, Zaliah Key ,  
Lachlan Stuckey and Chrystel Buckley.

### SCHOOL TERM DATES 2014

**Term 1: Wednesday 29 January -  
Friday 11 April**

**Term 2: Tuesday 29 April -  
Friday 27 June**

**Term 3: Tuesday 15 July -  
Friday 19 September**

**Term 4: Tuesday 7 October -  
Wednesday 17 December**

### OPPORTUNITY 'C' CLASS for 2015

*(for academically gifted children)*

**Parents of gifted and talented children  
in the Shoalhaven district  
currently in Year 4 are invited to attend an**

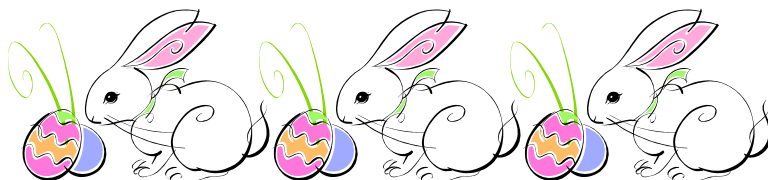
### INFORMATION EVENING

6.30pm, Tuesday 6 May 2014  
at Illaroo Road Public School

A Year 5 Opportunity 'C' class will be formed in  
2015 for gifted and talented students who are in  
Year 4 in 2014.

Phone Bob Lowe, deputy principal, on 4421 0422  
for more information.

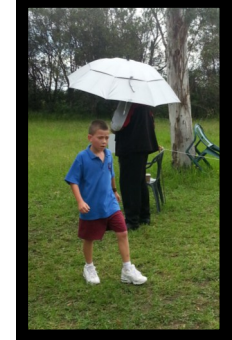
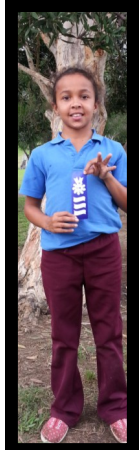
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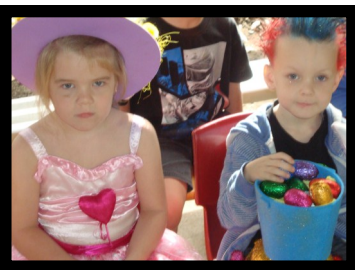


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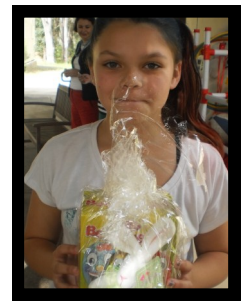
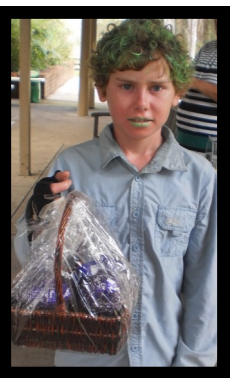
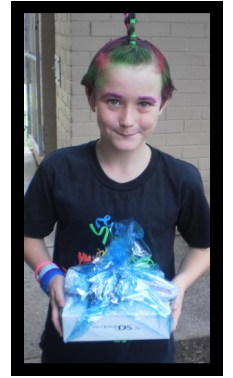
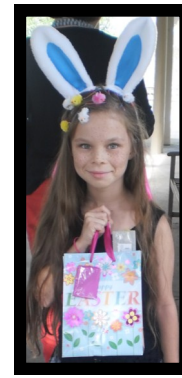
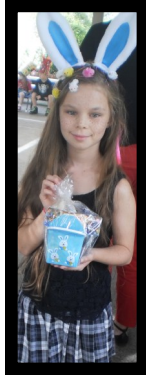
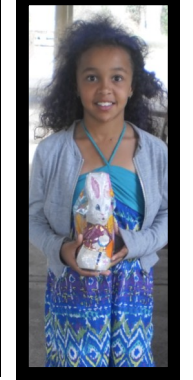
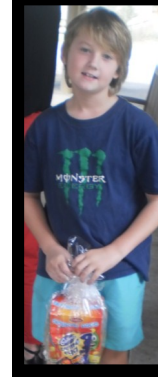
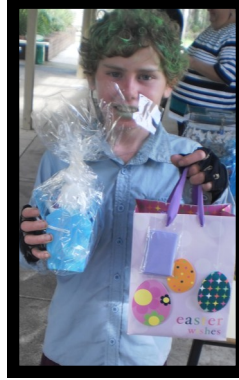
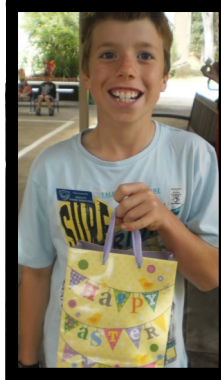
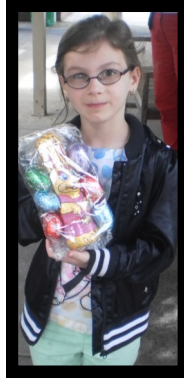
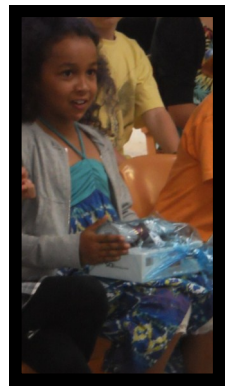
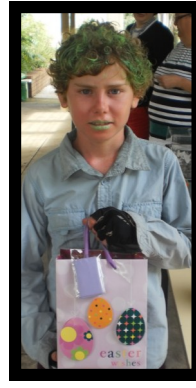
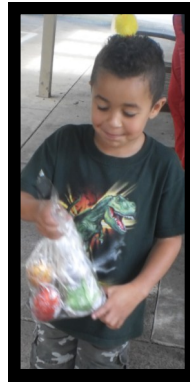




# Easter Hat Crazy Hair Parade







# Easter raffle winners!!

