



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 3 - Week 8

Wednesday 3 September, 2014

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

SASS Recognition Week: This week we recognise our School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS) and their work in schools. Without Mrs Karen Morison, Mrs Michelle Bransgrove, Mrs Tania Lingard, Mrs Sharon Watt and Mr Trevor Lawrence we would not be able to run the school as effectively as we do. These staff support the teachers at our school in ensuring that the school can provide the best possible educational outcomes for our students. Their support is greatly appreciated and valued by all staff and students every day of the school year.

On behalf of our entire school community I would like to thank them all for their hard work, effort and dedication to our students and school.

Shoalhaven Music Festival: Tonight is the night!! Our students in Years 3 – 6 are performing as part of the Shoalhaven Music Festival at Nowra High School tonight. Mrs Bonnie Cullen has worked hard with the students all year to learn the songs for the massed choir and for our individual item. I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Bonnie for her hard work and time in preparing the choir and helping to showcase the great things we do here at Falls Creek. Students need to be at the hall by 6.30pm for the concert to start at 7.00pm.

Home Readers: There are many students, particularly in Years 3 – 6 who have not been exchanging their home readers on a regular basis. We want students to be reading every night and home readers can be a great way to foster this. However, if your child would prefer to read novels borrowed from the library that is fine.

Notes will be sent home with students this week to remind them to return their home reader if they have not exchanged them for a while. If a home reader is lost then we will ask you to pay part of the cost for replacing the book. Please have a good look at home with your child for their missing home reader.

NAPLAN results were delivered to the school yesterday. Student results will be sent home today with students in a sealed envelope. If you would like to discuss the results with your child's

teacher please call the office to make an appointment.

P&C Meeting: I look forward to seeing parents at the P&C meeting tomorrow night from 6.00pm in 3/6L.

Don't forget the Father's Day stall this Friday.

Reward Day: Notes will be sent home for this next week to eligible students. Unfortunately there are several students who are not eligible to attend as they have received more than 2 behaviour slips. These students will remain at school on the day and complete their work.

Driving around the school: I have observed several parents performing u turns outside the school as they drop their children to school. I would like to remind you that it is illegal to perform a u turn in a school zone. This law exists to ensure the safety of our students. I ask that you all follow the rules and drive to the southern end of Vidler Road to the turning bay to ensure that our students are safe. I thank you for your co-operation.

Likewise the car park is not to be used by parents for parking in the morning or afternoon as students move through this area to get to the buses.

Assembly: This will be on tomorrow. Most students in Years 5 and 6 will be at a Touch Football Gala Day but the students who don't attend and some Year 4 students will run the assembly tomorrow.

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

Nicole

K/2H NEWS

Everyone wrote a great explanation on the life cycle of the frog yesterday. This piece of writing will be used by Ms Porteous and I to assess student progress and plan future writing lessons and programs.

In Maths we have been practicing our addition skills this week. Kindergarten have been consolidating their understanding of counting on and doubles (e.g. double 2 is 4) and Years 1 and 2 have been learning to find numbers that make 10 in addition sentences. Year 2 have also been doing this with numbers that make 20 and 30. We have been calling them friends of 10, 20 and 30.

In Spelling we are learning about words that start with 'tw'. There are more words starting with this than we thought!!

Please remind your child to return their home reader daily. Those students who do so are making faster progress with their reading in class than those who don't. Regular practice at home reinforces the reading strategies taught in the classroom.

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

Nicole

3/6B NEWS

I would firstly like to congratulate all of the Year 3,4,5 and 6 students that have been working very hard in preparation for tonight's performance at the Shoalhaven Music Festival. I am looking forward very much to seeing the final show! During Mathematics this week the students are studying length with the focus being upon millimetres and perimeters. Last week the students worked very hard planning and researching for their upcoming land formation project. All the research to help them complete their project was taken home last week.

Bonnie Cullen

3/6L NEWS

We have been very busy this week with swimming and festival rehearsals for our concert tonight. Students have been well behaved and represented our school proudly at these events. In Maths we are revising length and the units we measure with as well as introducing perimeters to stage 2 students. We have only had time for spelling so far but will be working on procedures for the remainder of the week.

Dion Lalor

MS PORTEOUS

In Health this week Kinder did activities in their Life Education booklets about professionals who help us when we are ill.

Years 1 and 2 learnt about the respiratory system and the benefits of breathing clean air.

In Art stage 2 and 3 classes are making progress with their bird wire sculptures.

Susan Porteous

REMAINING SCHOOL TERM DATES 2014

Term 3: Tuesday 15 July - Friday 19 September

Term 4: Tuesday 7 October - Wednesday 17 December

SPORTS NEWS

We are keeping our fingers crossed for a rain free day tomorrow so 10 of our senior boys can attend the Touch Football Gala Day at Lyrebird Park. The day consists of a round robin between the local public schools. Our students have been training at lunchtime when the weather permits and we did skill development earlier in the term. Hopefully the boys (and teachers) hard work will pay off and they have lots of fun.

Yours in sport,

Dion Lalor.

SHOALHAVEN MUSIC FESTIVAL

The performance is tonight! If you missed out on tickets they will be available at the door for \$7.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 5 September

Jacqui Finch

CLOSED MONDAYS



WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

WEEK 8

☺Monday 1 September - Friday 5 September	School Swimming Scheme
☺Wednesday 3 September	Active After School Communities Shoalhaven Music Festival 7pm Shoalhaven High School - KLA Day
☺Thursday 4 September	Senior Gala Day - Touch Football Assembly 2:15pm P & C Meeting 6pm
☺Friday 5 September	Father's Day Stall

WEEK 9

☺Tuesday 9 September	Active After School Communities
☺Wednesday 10 September	Active After School Communities
☺Thursday 11 September	Jump Rope for Heart - Jump Off

WEEK 10

☺Thursday 18 September	Reward Day
☺Friday 19 September	LAST DAY OF TERM

Rheya Luke and Kameisha Riley-Burnes participated in the South Coast Regional Athletics Carnival in Canberra on 22 August 2014.



Kameisha

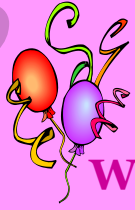


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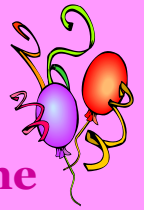


Students are progressing with their bird sculptures in Visual Arts class with Ms Porteous.





Happy Birthday!

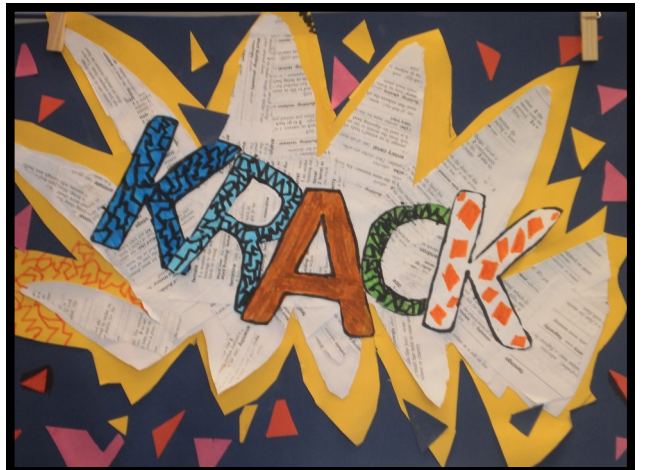
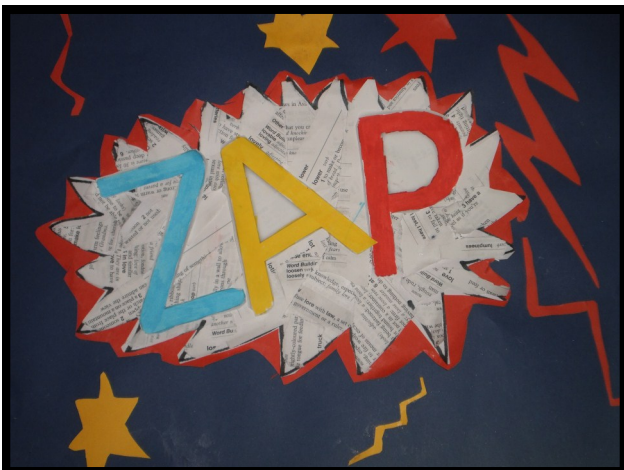
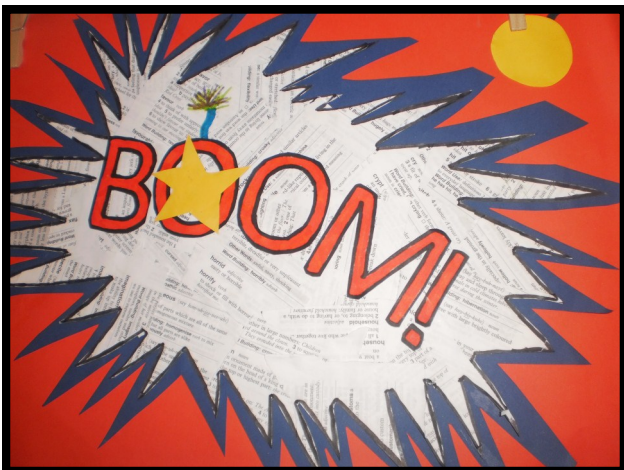


We would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to the following students:

Sealisha Buckley - Monday 16 September

George Williams and Blake McDonald - Friday 27 September

Stage 2 and 3 have created some fantastic onomatopoeia art with Ms Porteous.



COMMUNITY NEWS

FOOTBALL NSW



Football NSW would like to invite you to attend our Football NSW School Holiday Camp - 22 September to 2 October at various venues. Or register for the Intensive Development Program which will run once a week, commencing in mid October. Please see Mrs Morison for further information & registration forms.

JERVIS BAY LION'S CLUB

Everything the Lion's Club collects goes to raise funds for charities or under privileged people. If you have any of the following items, the Lion's Club would be grateful for any donations. Send them in to the school office, where they will be passed on to the Lion's Club.

- Ring-pulls from top of cans. NOT the whole lid, just the ring-pulls.
- All sorts of stamps.
- Corks of all shapes and sizes.
- Also old eye glasses, even if broken, any frames or lenses.
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FATHER'S DAY STALL

Dear Parents,

It is that time of year again! Time for the children to thank their dads. The P&C are again holding their Father's Day stall on Friday 5 September. Children wishing to purchase a present from the stall will need to bring in \$5 on the day.

Thank you,
Falls Creek P & C Association

