



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 4 - Week 7

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Small Schools Public Speaking Competition: We had 8 students from our school participate in this competition at Kangaroo Valley Public School on Monday. While we didn't have any winners our students did their best – well done to Lachlan Flear, Emilly Dillon, Khe-Sanh Duke, Zaliah Key, Kizac Bowling, Evie Finch, Kaleb Flear and Kiara Skinner.

School Disco: This is being held tomorrow night from 6.30 – 8.00pm. Parents can drop their children off at the start of the disco and pick them up at 8.00pm. The disco is being held in the 5/6 and 3/4 classrooms. Students will not be allowed to leave the school grounds unless there is a parent/carer to collect them. Drinks and chips will be available to purchase for \$1.00 each. There is no cost for entry.

KidsIn2Uni: Next Thursday students from 5/6 will be visiting the Shoalhaven Campus of Wollongong University to participate in a day of activities. Notes were sent home last week about this. There is no cost and students must bring their lunch and recess.

School Assembly: Due to the University visit by 5/6 next Thursday the assembly has been postponed until the following week, Thursday 3 December. This will also be the last assembly of the year.

Talent Quest: We will be holding a talent quest for students on Thursday 10 December at 1.30pm. All students are encouraged to participate if they want. Parents are welcome to come and watch the performances.

Reward Day: This is coming up soon. Final arrangements are being made and information will be sent home to eligible students shortly.

Presentation Evening: This is being held on Monday 7 December at 6.00pm. All students are expected to attend wearing full school uniform.

Water Fun Day: We postponed this last week due to the forecast of showers. We will set another date soon and let you know.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and see me.

Nicole

K/1/2 NEWS

We hosted the 2016 Kinders again yesterday afternoon. Everyone had fun and were more than willing to look after our new students. They will come and visit for the last time this year next Tuesday.

This week is the last week of library borrowing. Students with overdue books need to return them by Thursday 26 November. Notices were sent home last week with students who had not returned their books for months. We ask that you have a good look for them at home or pay the cost to help replace these books.

We have been learning about place value in class this week and everyone is learning that numbers are made up of tens and ones (Kinder), hundreds, tens and ones (Year 1) and thousands, hundreds, tens and ones (Year 2). I am having fun trying to trick everyone but it's not working. We are also having fun playing the operations game – it's easy to trick the class then!!

Keep returning home readers. Daily reading until the end of the school year is still an important part of learning for the class. It is great to see so many Year 2 students returning their books each day and visiting the 3/4 room for home readers. Well Done!

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and see me.

Nicole

3/4 NEWS

Short and not so sweet this week.

- Only 4 children handed in their homework last week.
- Home Readers need to be handed in especially if children are reading their own chapter books.
- There are still several Library books overdue.
- Not everyone is remembering to bring a piece of fruit for Munch and Crunch at 10am.

- There were only 3 children who blitzed the Spelling on Friday - Kiho, Sam and Kiara - great effort.

On a nicer note I was pleased with the way most of the class researched and prepared for their speeches. It was certainly difficult to choose the children who participated and several children were very disappointed - perhaps next year ????

Keep in touch,

Lyn

SPORTS NEWS

Next week on Wednesday 25 November we have been invited to attend the annual Dragon Tag Gala Day at Rugby Park South Nowra. Students have been training hard for the last couple of weeks and are ready to play. Unfortunately we can only enter ten students per team so please return notes promptly if your child is keen to participate.

5/6 NEWS

This week in 5/6 we have gotten back to our appreciation of literacy. We have picked up from where we left off reading "Danny the Champion of the World". To coincide with this reading students have asked to have a competition where they can build "something" from materials such as wood, cardboard etc. to be brought to school on Monday 7 December (week 10). Their peers will judge the most creative and imaginative creation.

We have been continuing with our 'Kids into Uni Program'. We will be attending the University on Thursday 26 November and parents are invited to attend. As we need to send off numbers for parents and students who are attending, could these notes please be returned as soon as possible.

Thank you

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MS CULLEN

During HSIE 3/4 and 5/6 are continuing to study human interactions with Antarctica and K/1/2 are studying different forms of employment within the transport industry. Each class is also revising the Australian National Anthem (2 verses) to make a video for a promotional activity organised by Shoalhaven City Council.

SMALL SCHOOLS PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION.

Last Monday I had the opportunity to travel to Kangaroo Valley Public School with 8 of our students who were participating in their first Public Speaking Competition. In Stage 2 our participants were Kaleb Flear, Kiara Skinner, Kizac Bowling and Evie Finch and in Stage 3 they were Emily Dillon, Khe-Sanh Duke, Zaliah Key and Lachlan Flear. They all received Participation Certificates and Kiara received a Highly Commended. All of the children did a wonderful job delivering their speeches despite being nervous and I'm sure they picked up a few pointers that will help them next year.

Thanks again to the parents and relatives who provided transport and supported our children during the competition.

Lyn Brown.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2016

If you have a child eligible to start Kindergarten in 2016, would you please contact the school as soon as possible. Also, if you know of any families living in our area who do not have a child currently attending Falls Creek Public School, but are wishing to enrol their child in 2016, would you please ask them to contact the school. We only have one more Kindergarten Orientation afternoon session left for our new students on Tuesday 24 November.



UNIFORMS

If you would like to purchase uniforms before the end of term don't forget to order ASAP so I am able to get them back to you before the end of the school year, which is coming around very quickly.

Karen

CANTEEN NEWS

The new Summer canteen menu is now available.

Lots of delicious salads and don't forget to try our yummy fruit smoothies!!



CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 20 November

Gim Belsito and James Duke.

Tuesday 24 November

Suzanne Lightowlers

WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

THIS WEEK (7)

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| ☺Wednesday 18 November | Shoalhaven High School Orientation Evening 6-7pm
Nowra High School Orientation 9.30 - 2.30pm |
| ☺Thursday 19 November | Disco 6.30 - 8pm |

WEEK 8

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| ☺Wednesday 25 November | Dragon Tag Gala Day |
| ☺Thursday 26 November | KidsIn2Uni - 5/6 visit UOW Shoalhaven Campus |

WEEK 9

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| ☺Wednesday 2 December | Swimming Carnival |
| ☺Thursday 3 December | Assembly 2.15pm |

WEEK 10

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| ☺Monday 7 December | Presentation Evening 6pm start |
| ☺Tuesday 8 December | Shoalhaven High School drama students performance |
| ☺Wednesday 9 December | Thank you Morning Tea 11am |
| ☺Thursday 10 December | Talent Quest |

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Presented at assembly Thursday 12 November 2015

MERIT AWARDS

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| K/1/2 | Liam Henkel, Jakob Duke, Brayden Cullen and Casey Lalor. |
| 3/4 | Kizac Bowling, Kiara Skinner, Bailey Cullen and Sam Ramsay. |
| 5/6 | Jayden Lalor, Ryan Browne and Khe-sanh Duke. |

BRIDGE BUILDER AWARDS

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| Bronze | Thomas Russell, Ryder Partridge, Sam Ramsay, Evie Finch, Aaron French and Bailey Cullen. |
| Silver | Jakob Duke and Jayden Lalor. |
| Gold | Layla Ryan, Brayden Cullen, Liam Henkel, Jonas Duke. |

PLAYGROUND STARS WINNERS

- Emilly Bloxsome, Kiana Bowling, Brayden Cullen, Torlea Blume,
Kameisha Riley - Burnes and Corey Henkel.



P & C - CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We are now accepting donations for our Christmas hamper end of year raffle eg:
biscuits, chocolates, cans of fruit / vegetables, toiletries, toys and
knick knacks.

Each family has been given a book of raffle tickets, if you need any
more please contact the office.

Tickets are **\$2** each or 3 for **\$5**.

The raffle will be drawn at the Presentation Evening on
Monday 7 December. Please support the school and send in a
donation or buy a ticket.



The P&C are very appreciative to the following local Shoalhaven businesses who
have donated prizes to our Christmas raffle.

Roxy Cinema - Family Ticket package and treats!

Dymocks Nowra - \$20 Gift Voucher

Shoalhaven Zoo - Gift voucher for family visit

Khans IGA - Hamper

Husky Cinema - Vouchers

The P&C would like to thank these businesses for their generous donations.



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