



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

TALKABOUT

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Term 4 - Week 10

Wednesday 9 December, 2015

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This is the last Talkabout for the year. I want to thank all the staff for their hard work and dedication throughout 2015. Thank you also to the parents and families for their support of the school, helping with carnivals and transporting students. Thank you to the students for working hard this year and doing their best in the classroom.

This year has brought some challenges for the school but we have worked together to meet them. Next year promises to be one of change and we again will need to work together to manage the change and provide a stable learning environment for our students.

Talent Quest: We will be holding a talent quest for students tomorrow at 1.30pm. All students are encouraged to participate if they want. Parents are welcome to come and watch the performances. I hope everyone has been practising their item to perform.

Students finish next Wednesday, 16 December. Years 1 – 6 return to school on Thursday 28 January and Kinder start on Friday 29 January.

Finally, have a lovely Christmas with family and friends and I hope everyone stays safe. I also hope everyone gets time off to enjoy the summer and recharge their batteries for 2016.

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

Nicole

K/1/2 NEWS

We are finishing the school year with some revision work, games, movies and Christmas craft for the tree at home. All home readers should have been returned by now and letters were sent home to remind you of the readers your child still had outstanding. Please return them so they can be used again next year.



On Friday all students will be taking their book and work home from throughout the year. Please provide your child with an extra bag to carry it home in.

Finally, Merry Christmas to everyone. I hope you have a lovely new year and have the chance to catch up with family and friends over the Christmas break. I look forward to seeing you all next year.

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

Nicole

3/4 NEWS

We have certainly had a busy year this year!

Thank you to the parents who have helped throughout the year. Enjoy the Homework and Home reader free holiday. Please note that statistics have shown that there is such a thing as a holiday slide where results drop if children don't read at all in the holidays. Hopefully a book will be included in their stockings.

I have enjoyed teaching 3/4 and seeing the progress the children have made this year and I hope they all have a safe and happy holiday with their families and return to school refreshed and ready for an exciting 2016.

Finally I would like to wish Year 6 all the best in High School. I have known some of the students since Kindergarten and watched them grow into responsible, TALL young adults ready to tackle all the adventures ahead.

Keep in touch,

Lyn

5/6 NEWS

What a fantastic presentation evening we had on Monday evening. Congratulations to everybody who graduated and received an award. The new goal posts donated by year 6 have been seeing lots of action during lunchtimes, thank you Mr French for all your hard work in the construction and placement of these. Although the year is drawing to an end we have been keeping busy this week in 5/6. Students have been working on strategies to create paragraphs and improve their sentence structure and have actually requested to do some Math text book pages.

Well done 5/6 ☺

As this is our final Talkabout for the year, I would like to take the time to thank Ms Humphreys



and the staff of Falls Creek Public School for the opportunities and support they provided me with over the last few years. And of course you the parents, who have entrusted me with the learning and teaching of your children. Thank you for your support and assistance (especially at sporting events)

Thank you

Dion

MS CULLEN

Firstly I would like to thank the students for the excellent skills in preparation for our performance on presentation night. I hope everyone has fantastic Christmas and holiday break!

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.



CANTEEN NEWS

HOT DOGS



are available now until the end of the year

\$2 each

Don't forget our delicious salads and yummy fruit smoothies!!

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 11 December

Leah Ryan

Tuesday 14 December

CLOSED



WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

THIS WEEK (10)

☺ Thursday 10 December	Talent Quest
☺ Friday 11 December	Reports Sent Home

WEEK 11

☺ Wednesday 16 December	Last Day of School for Students 2015
☺ Friday 18 December	Last Day of School for Staff 2015

TERM 1 WEEK (1) 2016

☺ Wednesday 27 January	Staff Return to School
☺ Thursday 28 January	Year 1 to 6 Students Return to School
☺ Friday 29 January	Kindergarten Students Start School

P & C NEWS

Please note this in your diary - The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 11 February, 2016 (Term 1 Week 3).

Survey - please see letter below.

Dear President/Secretary/Treasurer,

On behalf of Samantha Rudd, Councillor for your P&C Federation electorate of South Coast, we would like to invite all the members of your P&C Association and also non-members of your school community to each complete this short survey regarding upcoming Forums in your electorate.

Forum Purpose

To increase Parent and Community Engagement within P&C Associations in our Public Schools, so partnerships can be strengthened to deliver quality outcomes for our Public Education system and ultimately our children and their future.

To complete the survey please go to: <http://pandc.org.au/index.php/survey-sc>

Thank you and the P&C for the great work that you do on behalf of all students in Public Education.

Regards

Debbie Clifford

Federation of Parents & Citizens Association of NSW



P & C - CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



We had lots of lucky winners in the Christmas raffle. Congratulations!

Clive Spencer, Judy Wyatt, Rheya Luke, Luke Robertson, Joan Jones, Layla Ryan,
The Buckley Family, Kiara Skinner, Liam Henkel, Rebecca Webb, Thomas Russell,
Dejan Sankovic, Jacqui Finch, Liam Fisk, Stephen Blume, Nicolah Staader
and Sam Ramsay.

The P&C would once again like to thank the following local Shoalhaven businesses who
donated prizes for 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

Shoalhaven City Lanes - Bike

Jervis Bay Dolphin Watch - Voucher (1 Adult + 1 Child)

Nowra Aquatic Park - 4 Family Passes



Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy Holiday!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Presented at assembly Thursday 3 December 2015

MERIT AWARDS

- K/1/2 Kimberley Williams, Mason McNab, Declan Flear, Markus Macfarlane and Ryder Partridge.
- 3/4 Steven Blume, Evie Finch, Luke Robertson and Emily Bloxsome.
- 5/6 Jye Picker, Lachlan Flear, Elvis Oppong and Olivia McKibbin.

BRIDGE BUILDER AWARDS

- Bronze Dejan Sankovic, Kiara Skinner and Olivia McKibbin.
- Silver Thomas Russell, Liam Fisk, Kiho Luke and Rheya Luke.
- Gold Casey Lalor and Mason McNab.

PLAYGROUND STARS WINNERS

- Torlea Blume, Markus Macfarlane, Thomas Russell, Evie Finch, Liam Fisk and Chrystel Buckley.



Assembly
3 December
2015



COMMUNITY NEWS

Bomaderry Junior Rugby League Football Club Registration Day 2016

will be held on Saturday 6 February, 2016 at the Bomaderry Sporting Complex
10.00am - 1.00pm.

The club will be entering teams from the Under 6's - Under 16's and also the newly formed Girl's League Tag Teams Under 12's, 14's & 16's years of age.

Register on line now Go to <http://swampies.leaguenet.com.au>

Shorts, Socks and Polo Shirt are included in fees.

For more information contact the President, Steve on [0403591014](tel:0403591014).



FREE fun program for kids to become healthier, fitter and happier!

Go4Fun® is a healthy lifestyle program to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence in children. The program is for 7-13 year olds who are above their ideal weight. Sessions run for two hours after school or on a Saturday and include games, activities, tips on healthy food, label reading and portion sizes plus much more!

A program will be running on Tuesdays from 4 – 6pm at the Shoalhaven PCYC during Term 1.

To book in to a program call 1800 780 900 or visit www.go4fun.com.au



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to add veg to a barbecue.

The weather is warming up and so are the backyard barbecues. But it need not be an entirely meat affair. Here are some ideas for adding healthy veg to the barbie:

Kebabs - capsicum, zucchini, eggplant and mushrooms work well. Add to pork, chicken or lamb.

Chips - slice potato or sweet potato, and grill on the hotplate.

Salad - grab some green leaves and toss in tomato, cucumber, carrot, beans, capsicum or whatever takes your fancy!

Vegie sticks and dip - chop up carrot, cucumber, and celery sticks to dip in yummy hummus, or an eggplant or beetroot dip.



For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
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Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to disguise vegetables.

Can't get the kids to go near the greens? Disguise is a great way to get them eating veg, without the protests!

Here's how:

Grate veggies into meat dishes: carrot, zucchini, capsicum and celery work well in bolognese sauce, meat patties, meatballs, shepherd's pie and tacos.

Add chopped veggies: to quiches or omelettes - try mushroom, tomato, capsicum or zucchini.

Blend veggies in to sauces: puree sweet potato, pumpkin or cauliflower.

Add extra veggies: mushrooms, capsicum and pineapple are great on pizzas.

Add in other root veg to mashed potato: pumpkin and sweet potato are favourites.



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