

Term 4 - Week 9

FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Thursday 3 December, 2015

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Swimming Carnival: We once again held a successful swimming carnival yesterday. Thank you to Mr Lalor and teachers for their organisation of the carnival. Every student I spoke to yesterday afternoon had a great time and loved telling me how many races they went in. I'd also like to thank the parents who assisted with the running of the carnival. In a small school we rely on your support and appreciate your help in providing our students with every opportunity, both inside and outside the classroom.

Presentation Night: This is on next Monday night at 6.00pm. All students are expected to attend as they will be receiving a certificate and performing musical items. Students must wear school uniform.

Parent Helper Morning Tea: Invitations have gone out today to parents and volunteers who have helped the school in some way. This will be held next Wednesday, 9 December at 11.00am. Please RSVP to the office by Tuesday 8 December.

Reward Day: Tomorrow is our reward day and there are some very excited students. Remember that students can wear mufti, but must wear shoes and socks. All students will need to change into bowling shoes while bowling. For those students who were not eligible to attend, they are expected to attend school and work with the teacher at school. Work will be provided for these students.

Talent Quest: We will be holding a talent quest for students next Thursday 10 December 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.

Finally, students **finish school** for 2015 on **Wednesday 16 December**. Students in **Years 1 – 6 return to school in 2016** on **Thursday 28 January**, 2016. Kinder students will start school on **Friday 29 January**.

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

K/1/2 NEWS

Home Readers are due back to school tomorrow for the last time this year. Notes will be sent home to remind you what readers your child last borrowed.

We have had a very busy week with our excursion to the Fleet Air Arm Museum and swimming carnival plus reward day tomorrow. Despite this we have fitted in some maths lessons and practiced our addition skills. Years 1 and 2 have had fun adding 2 and 3 digit numbers vertically while Kinder explored friends of 20. For example, 19 + 1 and 15 + 5 are friends of 20 because that is their total. We will work on this again next year!

Our excursion to the Fleet Air Arm Museum on Tuesday was lots of fun. While having morning tea we got to watch helicopters take off and land on the base and also watched a C17 circle the base and people parachute out of the plane! Everyone seemed to enjoy the excursion. We wrote about this when we got back to our lovely cool classroom.

Homework is due on Friday for the last time this year.

We are starting some Christmas craft next week that can be hung on the tree. All books and work will go home next Friday, 11 December so please send in an extra plastic bag for students to carry their work home.

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

3/4 NEWS

A Swimming Carnival and a Reward Day, what a week. This week was our last week of homework. Thank you for helping to supervise your child throughout the year.

Once again a reminder about Home Readers and Library books, they all need to be back at school now.

We still have banking on Thursday. A very busy next few weeks, we are looking at Patterns and Algebra in Maths and finishing off Charlotte's Web. A mammoth novel that we have been studying for one and a half terms. It's vocabulary alone has challenged the children.

Keep in touch,

Lyn

SPORTS NEWS

Last Wednesday, we attended the Dragon Tag Gala Day. This year we were able to enter two teams, junior and senior mixed teams. Our junior team did very well, winning two out of four

games. Well done to Kizac who never gave up and played two games with an injured knee and was still making tags and scoring tries.

Our senior team also did exceptionally well winning 3 out of 4 games and having a draw in their 4th game. A special mention to Elvis and Olivia who scored two fantastic solo tries during the day. As is the expectation, our students displayed exceptional sportsmanship and fair play, congratulating the other team with 3 cheers and handshakes which was also extended to the referee's of each game. Well done girls and boys.

Yesterday, Wednesday our school Swimming Carnival was held at Bay & Basin Leisure Centre. There were some close races during the day with lots of cheering. Emus were able to sneak in for a win, well done boys and girls. Thank you to parents and staff who assisted with the running of the day and to Miss Porteous who conducted the infants novelty events.

5/6 NEWS

It has been another busy week at school this week with our Swimming Carnival being held yesterday and the Reward Day taking place on Friday. We have, however, managed to get some school work completed. In Maths we have revised our understanding of fractions and decimals. We are continuing to read 'Danny the Champion of the World' in English and will hopefully be able to watch the film sometime next week. In Science we have been conducting experiments with air and heat as part of our 'States of Matter' topic.

Just a reminder that Home Readers need to be returned now in addition to Library books. *Thank you*

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MS CULLEN

K/1/2 had a great excursion on Tuesday at the Fleet Air Arm Museum. The excursion was part of their HSIE unit of work 'Transport'. More photographs of this exciting day are on our school website. A big thank you also, to Mr French for arranging the mini bus to transport the students to this exciting day. This week we also sent our national anthem video to Shoalhaven City Council. The video of the whole school singing Advance Australia Fair is also on our school website.

UNIFORMS

If you would like to purchase uniforms before the end of term, don't forget to order ASAP so I'm able to get them back to you before the end of the school year. *Karen*

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 4 December Tuesday 7 December

CANTEEN IS CLOSED

Suzanne Lightowlers

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.



U TURNS Make a U-Turn without giving way to pedestrian or vehicle in a School Zone.



Penalty

+ 4 Demerit Points

WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

THIS WEEK (9)	
©Wednesday 2 December	Swimming Carnival
©Thursday 3 December	Assembly 2.15pm
©Friday 4 December	Reward Day
WEEK 10	
©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
© Friday 11 December	Reports Sent Home
WEEK 11	
©Wednesday 16 December	Last Day of Term for Students
©Friday 18 December	Last Day of Term for Staff

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

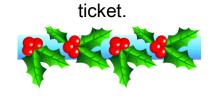
Each family has been given a book of raffle tickets, if you need any

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



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 **Shoalhaven City Lanes -** Bike (see photo previous page) **Jervis Bay Dolphin Watch -** Voucher (1 Adult + 1 Child) **Nowra Aquatic Park -** 4 Family Passes

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

FLEET AIR ARM MUSEUM EXCURSION











Happy Birthday to the following students and staff who celebrate their birthday in December

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Emily Dillon Lani Attard Ms Humphreys Sam Ramsay Mrs Brown Jayden Lalor Lachlan Flear & Mrs Morison