

**Term 3 - Week 4****Wednesday 5 August, 2015**

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **We have a black & white Talkabout this week due to a photocopier malfunction.**

**Athletics:** Congratulations to everyone for their effort while participating in our school carnival last Friday. We had a great day with wonderful weather and all students displayed fantastic sportsmanship. Even I entered a few races and tried my best!! Thank you to Mr Lalor for organising the carnival and to the teachers for their effort in making the day run so smoothly. Some photos from the carnival are in this week's Talkabout.

Congratulations to the 13 primary students who competed at the **District Carnival** on Monday. They tell me they all tried their best and had a great day. Mr Lalor tells me that the behaviour displayed was great as well. I love to hear about the effort and hard work that students put in to competing at events like this.

**Art Show:** Thank you to Ms Cullen for organising the show. It was wonderful to see parents and grandparents attending to see their children and grandchildren's work. We hope to make next year's bigger and better. Some photos from the show are in this week's Talkabout.

**Swimming Scheme:** Notes were sent home with students in Years 2 – 5 for the swimming scheme lessons in week 7 and 8. Please return permission notes and money to the office. The cost to you covers pool entry as the school is paying for the bus. The total cost is \$22.50 per child.

**Shoalhaven Music Festival:** This event is fast approaching. Students will be attending a rehearsal day at Newra East Public School on Thursday 12 August and permission notes are being sent

use the crossing with your children and walk to your cars along the side of the road, instead of crossing at an angle to your cars. I am concerned that someone may get hit by a car and I would hate to see that happen to anyone.

Finally, on Friday the Secretary of the Department of Education is visiting the school. The Secretary, Dr Michele Bruniges AM, is visiting to discuss the new School Excellence Framework and how the school measures against it. She and I will be discussing what we do at the school and how we assess our progress.

Falls Creek Public School is one of 20 schools across the state to host this visit from the Secretary in 2015. We are very privileged to have her visit.

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

*Nicole*

## **K/1/2 NEWS**

We have had a great week in K/1/2. Years 1 and 2 are busy researching and writing their Information Reports and some are starting to publish them as a PowerPoint presentation. When we are all finished we will have a show and tell so you can see what we've been doing. Kinder have also been hard at work on their reading and are improving every day.

In Maths we are learning more about subtraction (take away) and having fun playing maths games on the iPads.

We had a Principal from another school visit yesterday to see how our classroom works. She was very impressed with everyone's hard work and effort with their writing and literacy activities. Well done, everyone!

Congratulations to our athletes last Friday. Everyone had lots of fun and tried really hard.

Don't forget your home readers every day and homework on Friday.

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

*Nicole*

## **3/4 NEWS**

In English we are continuing to research for the Information Reports and we are focusing on using key sentences and summarising.

The children will be bringing home a container and a note about soil samples they need to collect for our Science unit. The idea is to collect soil/dirt that is 'natural' ie. Not added to or fertilised but the original soil in the area. Your help supervising this would be appreciated.

*Keep in touch, Lyn.*

## **5/6 NEWS**

We have finally started Science for the term this week in 5/6, much to the students' delight. We will be learning about the different states of matter and conducting some experiments to change some objects into a different state.

We are continuing with our Information Reports on Antarctic Animals. Students have already completed their first paragraphs and are utilising our new strategies with great success. In Maths we have been revising addition and subtraction of decimals as we did need some further consolidation of this topic.

Home reader journals and homework are due on Friday.

*Dion*

## **MS CULLEN**

This week during HSIE students are revising the surveys that they completed at home regarding work and leisure activities within the Shoalhaven. Next week, students in 3/4 and 5/6 will be attending the first rehearsal for the 2015 Shoalhaven Music Festival. Permission notes were sent home today. This term we are also beginning to venture into Jump Rope for Heart with our final fun Jump Off Day happening in the last week of term.

## **SPORT NEWS**

Congratulations to our students who participated in the District Athletics Carnival on Friday. They tried their best and represented our school with pride. Well done boys and girls and thank you to the parents and guardians who were able to come along and support their children. Unfortunately

☺Friday 7 August

Visit from Dr Michele Bruniges AM

### WEEK (4)

☺Monday 10 August

Year 3-4 Excursion to Bundanon

☺Wednesday 13 August

Shoalhaven Music Festival Rehearsal

### COMING EVENTS

☺Monday 24 August - Friday 4 September

School Swimming Scheme

☺Thursday 3 September

Shoalhaven Music Festival Performance 7pm

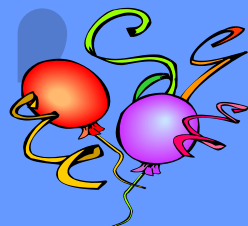
☺Thursday 10 September

P & C Meeting 6:15pm

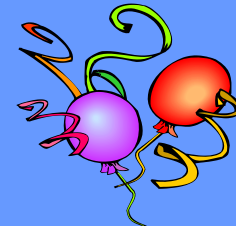
### CANTEEN NEWS

Unfortunately we have lost a couple of our volunteers due to other commitments. If you (mum, dad, brother, sister, nana, pa or friend) are able to give 4 hours of your time, once a month it would greatly assist in keeping the canteen open twice a week. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

*Tamie*



# Happy Birthday!

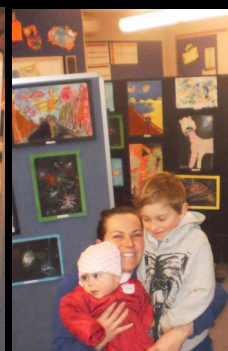


**Happy Birthday to the following students who  
celebrate their birthday in August**

# Carnival 2015



# Art Show 2015

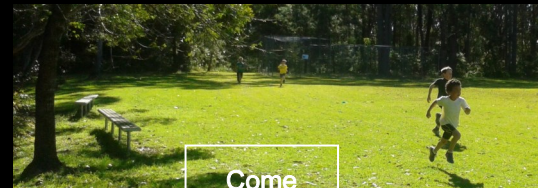




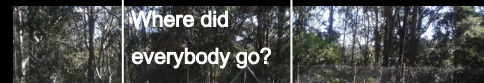
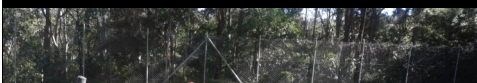
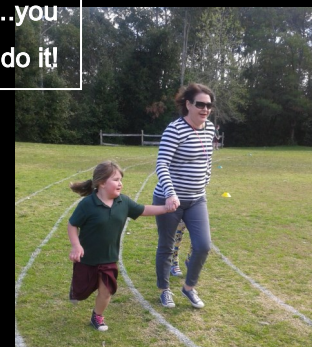
# Carnival 2015



Do I look like one of the girls?



Come on...you can do it!



Where did everybody go?

