



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I live in Dapto with my husband, Neil and three children, Tomas, Rebecca and Ruby, and a beautiful black labrador called Sonny. I am very excited to be at Falls Creek Public School. From my visits I feel that it is a beautiful space filled with friendly, caring people. Thank you for welcoming me into your school community, I look forward to building great relationships and working together so that every student can succeed at school. My previous school is Koonawarra Public School, where I have worked for the last 7 years from preschool through to year six. I am passionate about individualised student learning, caring for others and building resilience. I believe that every student can, and will, succeed at school if given the right support and opportunities.

Industrial action: We have been notified that on Thursday 8th December 2016 the NSW Teachers Federation will be holding an industrial action - stop working meeting. On this day, our school will be OPEN and the supervision and teaching of the students will not change.

P&C Annual General Meeting: please support our school and come along to the meeting which will be held early next year (week 3) where all positions will be declared vacant and 2017 nominations made.

SHS visit

There were many laughs yesterday afternoon, as the Year 9 and 10 drama students from Shoalhaven High School performed their play 'A Fairy Tale or Two'. Thankyou Shoalhaven High!



K/2 NEWS

This week we are getting to know each other. A new teacher brings slightly different rules, routines and expectations. Mrs Cavill is finding out what our best effort looks like and revising our school values. We have been reading a book called Dear Dragon and talking about characterisation and how characters can change. In maths, we have been looking at representing data in tables and graphs.

Mrs Cavill

3/6 NEWS

We are definitely in countdown mode at the moment. The children who went on the excursion are still tired and grumpy at times or perhaps that could just be the end of a very busy year.

We have been doing plenty of follow up activities from our Sydney visit. The stories they wrote about their life as a convict were particularly interesting.

Christmas activities are slowly sneaking into the room. Maths texts and then decorations are quite a mix!

We were sad to farewell Mrs Sansom last week and wish her well at Terara.

Welcome to Mrs Cavill who hit the ground running on Monday. It is a very busy time of year with all the functions and no doubt paperwork. I'm sure everyone will get the chance to introduce themselves on Presentation Night.

Don't forget to hunt up all those library books and home readers as there will be no more borrowing.

Keep in touch,

Lyn



5/6 GUESSING COMPETITION.

DRAWN ON PRESENTATION NIGHT WHEN YOU CAN
HAVE MORE GUESSES FOR ONLY \$1 A GUESS !!!!

MS CULLEN

Yesterday 3/6 successfully completed the ABC Splash & Code Club Australia's '2016 Hour of Code Challenge'. The students eagerly planned and then started to build their own games using the online resource Scratch.

K/2 are continuing to practice group and partner dancing.



LIBRARY



Last week was the last week of borrowing. Please return the books to the library. Overdue notes will be sent home this Thursday for any outstanding loans.

P&C

Donations for Presentation Night Hamper Raffle

Our annual end of year raffle is being drawn in 5 more sleeps! However, we still need some donations to be added to our hampers - chocolates, cakes, toys, biscuits, treats, luxury goods or anything you would like in a hamper! Please be creative and hand these items into the office. Thank you!



Our **AGM** for **2017** will be held on Thursday 16 February at 6pm. All parents and carers are invited to attend and help support our school P&C.

UNIFORMS

On the last day of school (for students) Friday 16 December we will be selling all second hand uniforms for **\$2 each**. So come in and grab a bargain!

CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday 13 December - Leah Ryan and Kristy Robinson



Tuesday 13 December is the last day the canteen will be open for 2016. Thank you for all your support during 2016. Commencing in 2017 the canteen will no longer open on Tuesdays. THURSDAY is our new day for next year.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Presented at assembly Wednesday 30 November 2016

MERIT AWARDS

K/2 Jaya Braddick, Nate Dansey, Kimberley Williams and Thomas Russell.

3/6 Miah Campbell, Bijin Chaudhary, Steven Blume and Kiara Skinner.

BRIDGE BUILDER AWARDS

Bronze - Jaya Braddick.

Silver - Indy Robinson.

Gold - Kiho Luke and Emily Sammut.

PLAYGROUND STARS WINNERS

Miah Campbell, Jacob Coe, Kimberley Williams, Indy Robinson, Lincoln Taylor and Fletcher Hall.

