



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 1 - Week 6

Wednesday 2 March 2016

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Tomorrow is our **first assembly** of the year and our school leaders for 2016 will be announced. Invitations will have been sent home with students who are receiving an award. We would love to see you at 2.15pm. Year 6 will be hosting the assembly.

Easter Hat Parade: This is fast approaching. The Parade will be held on Tuesday 22 March at 9.30am. Infant students are encouraged to make and wear an Easter hat while students in Years 3 – 6 can wear crazy hair for the day. Students can wear mufti. All parents are welcome to attend. Parents are welcome to attend the parade and egg display.

Once again, Years 3 – 6 will also be involved in an egg decorating competition and display. All students in Years 3 – 6 are invited to decorate a hard boiled or blown egg. Certificates will be awarded for the best decorated egg in each year. Students also have to give their egg a name which must include the word egg. For example an egg's name could be Eggosaurus. I look forward to seeing some fantastic eggs with some creative decorations.

The Easter raffle will also be drawn on the day.

School Fees: Thank you to those parents who have paid their fees for 2016. Please pay your fees as soon as you can. These allow us to purchase extra resources for our students.

School Photos: Carol Linnane from Rainbow Photographics will be taking our school photos on Thursday 24 March. Order forms were sent home last week. Please return them to the office. All orders are handed directly to Carol on the day. Students will need to wear their summer uniform. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Year 6: A teacher from Shoalhaven High School is visiting the school today to talk about high school for next year with students. This is an informal visit that allows the students to ask questions about what high school is like.

Year 7 2017: Students in Year 6 will be bringing home an expression of interest form for high school next year. Parents will need to complete and return the form by Friday 11 March. It is important that the form is returned promptly to school.

Tell Them From Me Survey: This survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 14 March and 8 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form for the survey was sent home with students last Friday. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the consent form to school by this **Friday 4 March**.

Bus Behaviour: I want to remind students and parents that student behaviour on the bus must be exemplary at all times. Students must remain seated on the bus at all times and be respectful to others. Already this year there has been some unacceptable behaviour on the bus with students hurting younger students and unacceptable and inappropriate language being used. I will investigate these matters and students may find themselves on detention at school. The bus company is also within their rights to suspend students from the bus.



Finally, we mourn the passing of Larry Ardler over the weekend. He was grandfather (pop) to Kalindy, Sealisha and Chrystel Buckley. Larry was a wonderful supporter of Falls Creek Public School and will be greatly missed by all. Our thoughts are with Nettie, Danyel and the family at this time.

Please come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Nicole

K/2 NEWS

This week Years 1 and 2 are learning about words containing 'og' while Kinder are learning about the letters o and g. In Maths we are learning about multiplication. Kinder are learning about equal and unequal groups, Year 2 are learning about how skip counting can help with our tables while Year 2 are learning how to use the multiplication symbol. Year 1 and 2 are also practicing their

x1, x2 and x5 tables.

Thank you to Kinder who are all handing in their homework each week. Year 1 and 2 are not doing as well. Don't forget that your homework should be in a book. Students should also be doing look, say, cover, write, check (LSCWC) each night to learn their spelling words.

Library is every Thursday so put your books and library bag in your school bag. We also had lots of students hand in bank books last Thursday. It's great to see so many students learning about saving money already. I joked that they could take me out to dinner!

Please come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Nicole

3/6 NEWS

The seniors (some of them anyway) are looking forward to running their first assembly this week. Year 6 is anxiously waiting to hear the election results.

The Spelling and Dictation results continue to improve. A special mention and congratulations to Kaleb, Lani and Kiara who have received 100% and A+s in every test.

We are working on multiplication in Maths so practising tables is particularly relevant.

We are nearly finished our unit on "The Magic Rainforest" and then we will be looking at some other John Marsden books.

Thank you to the children who are completing their Homework AND handing it in each Friday. I know everybody is busy but the activities should not take long and Primary children should be able to work on most of them independently.

Keep in touch,

Lyn.

MS CULLEN

This week K/2 are continuing to explore the life cycles of humans and animals. They had a fantastic time viewing baby photographs and trying to guess which student it was. They are continuing to study their personal growth and changes since they were a baby. During Science 3/6 are studying Lake Eyre, surface drying and the survival of animals and plants within desert environments.

SPORT NEWS

Congratulation to Kiho and Rheya Luke. From all accounts they swam well and did our school proud last Thursday at the District Carnival.

We have the opportunity to take part in a 3/4 Auskick Gala Day next Thursday 10 March however we need every child to participate so we can field a mixed team. Could you please return the expression of interest notes ASAP so we can see if we are able to send a team.

CANTEEN NEWS

There will be a Canteen Meeting for volunteers next Tuesday 8 March at 2pm in the school library. Please come along to discuss the new co-ordinator and running of the canteen.

Please make sure orders are put in the green box outside the canteen **BEFORE** the morning bell.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday 8 March - Sue Lightowlers and Kirsten Crowell

Tuesday 15 March - Leah Ryan and Tara Malone



MOBILE PHONE USE

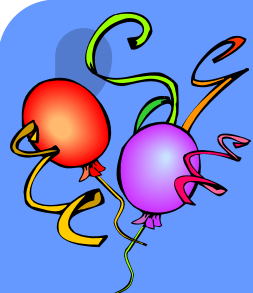
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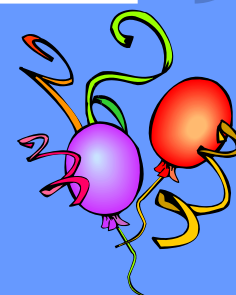
Penalty

\$425

+ 4 Demerit Points



Happy Birthday!



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

2 March	Kimberley Williams
15 March	Emily Sammut
16 March	Liam Fisk
17 March	Ryan Browne
22 March	Indyanah Robinson

P & C NEWS

EASTER RAFFLE We are having our Annual Easter Raffle and would like to start collecting items to help make this another successful fundraiser. Keep your eyes out for stuffed toys, chocolate eggs, chickens etc. Please bring any donations to the office. Raffle tickets are being sent home with the children today, if you need more please contact the office. Our Easter Hat / Crazy Hair Parade is on Tuesday 22 March.

Easter Raffle

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



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VACANCIES AVAILABLE

The Central Shoalhaven Mobile Preschool is a Community Based not for profit organisation operating for 38 years in the Shoalhaven area.

We provide educational programs designed for preschool children aged between 3 - 5 years, by fully qualified staff in a caring environment. Allow your child to make new friends within the local area. Subsidy available.

We operate from [Falls Creek Public School Hall](#) on [Tuesdays](#) of the school term.

PRESCHOOL HOURS: 9.00am - 3.00pm

ADDITIONAL HOURS: 8.00am - 9.00am

All enquiries please phone our office on
44230571/0412928095 or call in at our venue.

Shoalhaven High School Information Evening

For parents and carers of students coming to Year 7 in 2017

Wednesday 9th March 2016 5.00pm – 6.00pm

Shoalhaven High School Library, 60 Park Road Nowra



AIMING HIGHER

Come along and find out about the school

Start the learning journey your child will be on from 2017 to HSC

Year 2022

Find out about uniforms, timetables, school values and more

Learn about why we are proud to teach at Shoalhaven High School

Our range of courses provide a rigorous academic suit of custom programs to suit university candidates, as well as courses that cater for early career starters, trade and practical options.

For more information please call the SHS Transition Coordinator Mrs Jocelyn Fox on 4421 8022

*Shoalhaven High School is a Success High School offering value-added learning through:
High Achieving Key Learning Areas; Talented Sports Program; Professional Hospitality Training;
Innovative Industrial Arts; Leading Creative and Performing Arts and All-Inclusive Support
Faculty*

Waterpolo and Flipperball



Try it out night at Nowra Pool on Thursday 3 March starting at 7.00pm at a cost of \$5.00 plus pool entry.

Bomaderry Junior Rugby League Football Club

Looking for more players to join our club in the following age groups under 10 & 11 Years & 10-14 year old girls to join our newly formed Girls League Tag team. Registrations are still being taken Tuesday's - Friday's at the Bomaderry Sporting Complex 3.30pm - 5.00pm or

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

Shorts, Socks and Polo Shirt are included in fees. For more information contact the President Steve on **0403591014**.