



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

TALKABOUT

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Term 1 - Week 7

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

School Leaders 2016: Congratulations to our new School Captains Emily Dillon and Ryan Browne and our Vice Captains Rheya Luke, Dominic Innes and Cameron Loader. I know that they will do a wonderful job in representing our school and will be excellent role models for our younger students.

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.

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.

School Photos: Carol Linnane from Rainbow Photographics will be taking our school photos on Thursday 24 March. Order forms have been sent home with the students, if you have not received one please contact the office. Forms need to be completed and returned 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 7 2017: Students in Year 6 need to return their expression of interest form for high school next year by Friday 11 March. It is important that the forms are returned promptly to school so that we can send them off to your chosen high school for the next step in the process.

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.

Pedestrian Crossing: I ask for your support in keeping our students safe by using the pedestrian crossing each morning and afternoon to drop off and collect your children each day. We have had several instances where students have not used the pedestrian crossing and have walked in front of or behind cars. This is dangerous and I would hate for students to be hit by a car or the school bus. *Please walk your children across the road, using the pedestrian crossing.*

To further ensure the safety of our students we ask that you park on the side of the road, drop your children off and then travel south on Vidler Road to the turn-around bay. U-turns are illegal in school zones and carry large fines. The council rangers and police do patrol the area at times and I would hate to see parents booked. Let's work together to ensure your children are safe travelling to and from school.

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

Nicole

K/2 NEWS

This week Year 1 and 2 are learning about words containing the 'op' sound while Kinder are learning about the letters l and h. Year 2 have the opportunity to complete a research activity, using the computer and then to present their research to the class. This is to be done as an extension activity when they have completed all their other tasks during our Literacy session.

In Maths we are learning about division. Kinder are learning to share equally (always important when lollies or toys are involved) and Year 1 and 2 are learning how to analyse what word problems involving division mean to ensure they fully understand the question and get the correct answer.

The iPads have been rebuilt this week with all apps put back on them after many being accidentally deleted by students. These are used by all students during Maths groups and by Kinder during Literacy activities. Year 1 and 2 will use them to record their own reading and discuss this with their group and myself on how to improve their reading.

I'm sure everyone has started to make their Easter hats and I can't wait to see them on Tuesday 22 March. Please come along at 9.30am and be part of the parade and stay for the Primary Egg competition.

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

Nicole

3/6 NEWS

Some of the students were discussing ideas for their decorated eggs. It's going to be quite a challenge to top last year's "eggcellent" entries. They are also quite "eggcited" to have crazy hair for the parade. Easter goodies have been in stores for ages and now Easter really is just around the corner.

Last Friday's Spelling champions were – Kaleb, Angus, Kiho and Emily – 100% in the word test and Lani, Kizac, Angus, Kaleb, Kiho, Kiana, Bailey, Sam, Kiara, Emily and Cameron all scored A+, A or A – in their Dictations.

We are continuing to work on multiplication and division during Maths lessons and we are still working on our tables. Knowing the combinations is essential to the questions they have to complete.

Keep in touch,

Lyn.

MS CULLEN

During Science activities 3/6 are exploring how different structural features such as the surface area of ears and sweating help animals keep cool and survive within the desert environment.

K/2 are continuing to revise their personal growth. They are using the personal photographs that they brought to school to investigate whether their facial features are similar to the photograph or if some have changed as they have grown. Many students are also very excited to see that the bean seeds they have been caring for have started to sprout and the meal worms we have been feeding are now all in the pupa stage and will be turning into beetles soon!

SPORT NEWS

We wish Rheya good luck when she goes to the Netball trials tomorrow.

Unfortunately we didn't have enough 3/4 students who wished to participate in the AFL Auskick Day tomorrow as we needed 9 for a team. Thank you to the 4 people who returned their notes.

Lyn

CANTEEN NEWS



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

CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday 15 March - Leah Ryan and Tara Malone

Tuesday 22 March - Sue Lightowlers and Kristy Robinson

BOOK CLUB

Don't forget to get your order into the office before the 18 March.



P & C NEWS

EASTER RAFFLE Thank you to those students/parents who have donated items for our Easter Raffle. To help make this another successful fundraiser keep your eyes out for stuffed toys, chocolate eggs, chickens etc. and bring them into the office. Remember, the more donations the more prizes! If you need more raffle tickets please contact the office. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat /Crazy Hair Parade on Tuesday 22 March, which commences at 9.30am.



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

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Presented at assembly Thursday 3 March 2016

MERIT AWARDS

- K/2 Kimberley Williams, Indy Robinson, Fletcher Hall, Dejan Sankovic, Torlea Blume and Tylar Malone.
- 3/6 Dominic Innes, Kaleb Flear, Kiana Bowling and Angus Findlay.

BRIDGE BUILDER AWARDS

- Bronze Emily Sammut, Emily Dillon and Layla Ryan.
- Silver Sam Ramsay.

QUIET ACHIEVER AWARDS

- K/2 Abigail Findlay and Layla Ryan.
- 3/6 Kiara Skinner and Blake McDonald.

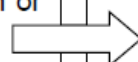
PLAYGROUND STARS WINNERS

Layla Ryan, Emily Sammut, Markus Macfarlane, Kimberley Williams, Jaya Braddick and Fletcher Hall.



U TURNS

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



Penalty

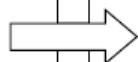
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+ 4 Demerit Points



MOBILE PHONE USE

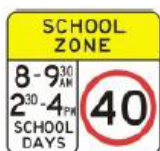
You must not drive while using a hand-held mobile phone in a school zone.



Penalty

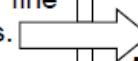
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+ 4 Demerit Points



SPEEDING OFFENCES

There has been an increase to the monetary fine applicable to Speeding Offences in School Zones.



Maximum Penalty

\$3740

+ 7 Demerit Points

Falls Creek Public School 2016 Leaders



Captain - Emily Dillon



Captain - Ryan Browne

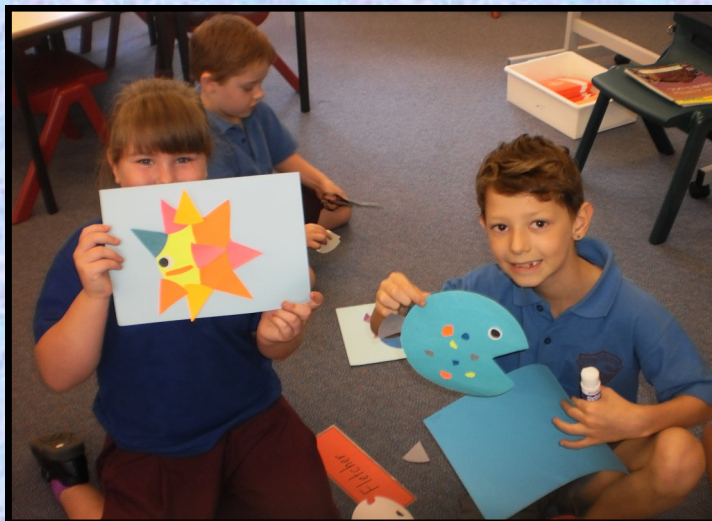


Rheya Luke, Emily Dillon, Ryan Browne, Cameron Loader and Dominic Innes

Students from 3/6 totally absorbed in experiments during Science lessons with Ms Cullen.



Students from K/2 enjoying Art lessons with Ms Porteous last week.



CANTEEN MENU – AUTUMN 2016

SALADS

Crunchy Salads \$4.00
Choices of;
Plain, Chicken Schnitzel, Ham
Egg, Tuna
Mayo or Dressing cup \$0.50

Specials: Greek, Haloumi, Cesare look out for specials in Talkabout in the new school app.

WRAPS

Salad \$3.50
Choice of: Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber,
Carrot, Capsicum, Cheese, Egg,

Salad and Egg & Meat \$4.00
Choices of; Ham, Tuna, Chicken Schnitzel,
Egg

HOT FOOD

Sausage Roll \$2.50
Meat Pie \$3.00
Toasties \$3.50
Chicken Burger \$4.00
Sauces - Tomato or BBQ 30c ea

SEE TALKABOUT ON APP. FOR
SPECIALS COMING UP

MEAL DEALS \$5

Salad and Drink, Chicken Burger and Drink
or
Wrap and Drink

Place all lunch orders with child's class name and order onto a paper lunch bag in the locked green wooden box in front of canteen before morning assembly.

Thank you

DRINKS

Smoothies of the day \$3.00
Banana, Mango and Berry

Juice popper \$1.50
Orange, Apple, Apple/Blackcurrant
Bottled Water \$1.50

Flavoured Milk \$1.50
Strawberry or Chocolate

SNACKS

Range of fresh homemade snacks such as:

Muffins
Slices
Cabanossi and cheese with crackers
Carrot and celery sticks
Fruit kebabs
VEGI Juices

Ranging from 50cents to \$2.00

Fresh Fruit FREE

Made by volunteers each day

Falls Creek school canteen is a member of the Healthy Kids Association.

Our canteen is run by 100% volunteers and is committed to providing healthy & nutritious food at reasonable prices.