



## FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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**Term 2 - Week 10**

**Thursday 30 June 2016**

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Student Reports

Student reports have been sent home today. They are a 'point in time' assessment of your child's learning. Please discuss this report with your child, congratulate them on their achievements and help them set goals for future achievement or improvement. Please see your child's teacher if you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of the report.

### FISST Athletics Carnival

Falls Creek PS students were great competitors and great ambassadors for our school from all accounts of yesterday's carnival.

Our students were very competitive and very well behaved throughout the day. Results will be published in Talkabout when they become available. A big thank you to our parents who transported students and to those who helped out at the carnival itself. We could not hold these carnivals, without the contribution of such parents. Thank you, also, to Mrs Brown, who ran this year's carnival and did an excellent job. Many (extra and voluntary) hours of work go into the planning and preparation of these carnivals. They would not happen without the dedication of teachers such as Mrs Brown.

### NAIDOC Week

Australia celebrates NAIDOC Week during the school holidays from 3 -10 July, 2016. Falls Creek PS will celebrate NAIDOC Week in Week 1 of Term 3, (19 – 22 July). We are planning some fun and interesting activities to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements. This is an opportunity to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country and our society. We will be holding a NAIDOC Week assembly on Wednesday, 20/7/16. We look forward to seeing many of our parents at this important event.

### P & C Mid Year Raffle

The eldest child in each family will receive a book of raffle tickets today. Please support our school and buy a ticket. There are some great prizes. The raffle will be drawn on the 3 August.

## School Holidays

This Friday is the last day of Term Two for students and teachers in New South Wales public schools. I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing all students refreshed and ready for another exciting term of learning in Term Three when they **return on Tuesday, 19/7/16** (teachers return on Monday, 18/7/16). Happy holidays!

*Deb Sansom*

*(Relieving Principal)*

## K/2 NEWS

Class K/1/2 have been learning about position in mathematics this week. Terms such as under, over, above, below, beside, next to, left and right have been explored and mapped out. Students have continued to make good progress in their reading at a level to suit their needs. We have also been exploring the moon (from a safe distance) and recording some interesting facts about it. There was no homework for Week 10. Homework will re-commence next term in Week 1. Don't forget to keep practising those reading skills over the coming holidays.

*Mrs Sansom*

## 3/6 NEWS

5/6 are looking forward to their fundraiser on Friday. ....Ice cream day!!

I was very proud of the children who went to the FISST Carnival yesterday. Their behaviour and participation was impressive.

Have a happy and safe holiday. Rest up! Term 3 looks like another busy one.

*Keep in touch,*

*Lyn.*



## MS CULLEN

This week a group of students in 3/6 are putting the finishing touches on the short film they have created for the Bay and Basin Film Festival. They had an enjoyable time exploring the use of the green screen and filmmaking skills.

# CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday 19 July - Kristy Robinson and Kirsten Crowell



## SPORT NEWS

We were very lucky to have such fantastic weather yesterday for the FISST Carnival. It was our school's turn to organise and run the carnival and thanks to everyone's help it all went well.

Karen deserves a particular mention - from faxing and calling schools for me, to co-ordinating the transport to and from the Carnival for all the children, she always gives 110 % and nothing is ever too much trouble. THANK YOU so much, Karen.

Thanks again to the parents and Tania and Lane who helped in many ways - transport, jobs at the carnival and supporting the children during the day.

Ms Porteous did a wonderful job helping the 3/6s with the rules and practising each of the field events.

Many of our children qualified to go to the district carnival in Week 5 next term – can't wait to see the list!!

We will be having our K-6 athletics carnival early next term..... watch this space.  
*Lyn.*



# *Falls Creek Public School P&C Education Week Raffle*

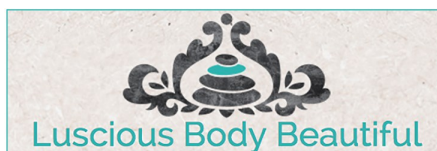
Thank you to the following businesses for their donation to the upcoming P&C raffle.

**MATTY'S PLAYTIME**  
QUALITY TOYS

\$50 voucher

**SHOALHAVEN ZOO**  
AND ADVENTURE WORLD

Family Pass Voucher  
(2 Adults/2 Children)



Fiji Island Express Facial



Meryl McGinn  
(Marriage Celebrant)  
Make Up packages



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**SPOTLIGHT**

\$25 voucher

 **helloworld**

Stockland  
Nowra

suitcase



*Sheer Desire Hairstyles*

Hair Cut & Eyebrow wax Voucher



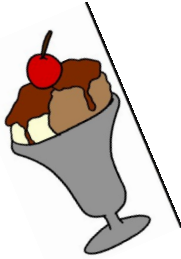
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# **5/6 Fundraiser**

## **Friday 1 July 2016**



**Single Cone \$1** with your choice  
of sprinkles,  
Ice Magic or Flake  
Or



**Sundae \$2**

**Chocolate, lime, caramel or strawberry**



**Friday 1 July is also our fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis.**  
**For a gold coin donation students can wear mufti,**  
**have crazy hair or both.**

# EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from <u>Kindy</u> to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

*Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...*

**School starts at  
8:55am  
DON'T BE LATE!**

## 1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but.....

If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	<u>and over 13</u> years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child might perform is ...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 years</u>	Equal to finishing in grade 11
1 day per week	40 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over <u>2.5 years</u>	Equal to finishing in grade 10
2 days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over <u>5 years</u>	Equal to finishing in grade 7
3 days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly <u>8 years</u>	Equal to finishing at grade 4