



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 3 - Week 8

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

School Swimming and Water Safety Program

Aquatic activities play a significant role in the lifestyle of many Australians. Therefore it is essential that students are aware of the importance of water safety and are equipped with the necessary skills of safety and survival.

The School Swimming and Water Safety Program is a learn to swim and water safety program that develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival for students in Years 2 to 6.

Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills, and are unable to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate in this program.

Permission notes for this program were sent home last week. The lessons are free with the only costs being pool entry and bus transport to the pool over the ten days of the program. The school is greatly subsidising these costs so that as many students as possible can attend. If your child meets the criteria for this program, please enrol them by returning the permission note and payment of \$25 ASAP.

Police Youth Liaison Visit

The Police Youth Liaison Officer, Kyriana, visited Falls Creek Public School on Tuesday of this week to speak to the students about road and bus safety. She identified many unsafe road and bus behaviours and spoke to students about how to behave safely on the bus and around roads.

While she was here, Kyriana noticed some unsafe behaviours by parents that are happening at our school, such as not using the crossing to cross the road with students and making U turns across the double lines. While we are fortunate that our school is not on a main road, it is quite busy around school dismissal time in the afternoon. We need to teach children by example that obeying road rules is worthwhile and important, even if we are in a hurry, so that we keep them safe. Please obey road rules when collecting your children from school and talk to them about behaving safely around roads and on the bus. It could save their life.

Kyriana will return to our school soon to speak to students about cyber safety. We look forward to her input on this important subject.

Convict Sleepover Excursion

Notes for this excursion have been sent home today. I was hoping to send them home last week but some companies had not provided costs for certain components until this week. This looks like being a great excursion for a very economical cost. Please return permission notes and money as soon as possible so that we can confirm all activities.

Mrs Deb Sansom

(Relieving Principal)

K/2 NEWS

It is Spring and in K/2 we are enjoying the beautiful weather and exploring the aspects of Spring in our playground and around the world. We are learning a little bit of French language, so we know that Spring is also printemps and September is septembre and we're also practising counting up to 10 in French. We have listened to Spring from Vivaldi's Four Seasons and even drawn some spring flowers in the style of Picasso.

All students in K/2 have recently received a personal dictionary to assist them with their writing and continue to impress with their enthusiasm for writing stories and communicating information. In maths we are continuing with our exploration of fractions.


Deb Sansom

3/6 NEWS

This term we have been reading and completing activities around a text called 'My Girragundji' by Meme McDonald and Boori Pryor. It is about how a young boy overcomes his fears of the 'Hairyman' and the bullies at school. The narrator does this with the help of a green tree frog. In grammar we are revising similes and thinking of examples in everyday life.

In Stage 3 maths we are calculating the perimeters of rectangles using familiar metric units. In stage 2 maths we are investigating and representing 3D objects using drawings. Mrs Brown is unwell at the moment and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Susan Porteous

	SPEEDING OFFENCES There has been an increase to the monetary fine applicable to Speeding Offences in School Zones.	Maximum Penalty \$3740 + 7 Demerit Points
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MS CULLEN

This week during science we are continuing to study the solar system. Today students created a scale model of the solar system on the oval and further explored meteorites. During creative arts they have been busy rehearsing a musical item that they will be performing at an upcoming school assembly. Thank you to the eager K/2 students that completed their mini assignment of recording 1 week of weather observations. Just a reminder that there is 2 more weeks until the 3/6 Earth and Planets assignment is due to be handed in.

P & C NEWS

P & C Meeting this Thursday 8th September, 6.00pm.

SPORT NEWS

Congratulations to Rheya Luke who attended the Regional Carnival last Friday 2 September at the AIS, Canberra. Apparently the conditions were abysmal; extremely wet and cold. Rheya competed well and placed 4th in her 200 metre event. Well done once again, Rheya!

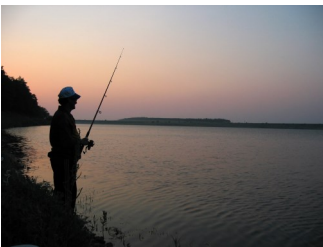


CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday 13 September - Kristy Robinson and Kirsten Crowell

Tuesday 20 September - Kristy Robinson and Sue Lightowlers

VALE MR NEIL WAKEFIELD



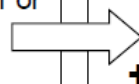
I was very sorry to read about the passing of Mr Neil Wakefield last month. Mr Wakefield was our Catholic scripture teacher for many, many years until he retired at the end of 2103 at the age of 81 to spend more time fishing. He was a lovely gentleman who will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Karen Morison



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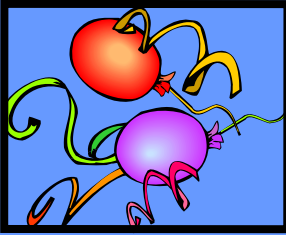
Make a U-Turn without giving way to pedestrian or vehicle in a School Zone.



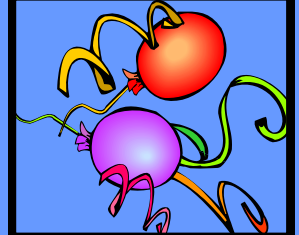
Penalty

\$531

+ 4 Demerit Points



Happy Birthday!



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

4 September - Jaya Braddick & Jacob Coe
13 September - Kiana Bowling
16 September - Sealisha Buckley
24 September - Haiden Taylor
27 September - George Williams & Blake McDonald

COMMUNITY NEWS

NOWRA - CULBURRA SURF LIFESAVING CLUB

The nippers season at Nowra-Culburra Surf Lifesaving Club begins on Sun 16 October. Nippers provides children (5-14yrs), with essential life beach skills in a fun environment. Registration & Swim Proficiency dates are:
10 Sept, 10:30am - 12pm at Bay & Basin Pool
17 Sept, 10:30am - 12pm at Bomaderry Pool
Cost for entire season Oct - March \$80
Enquires to Monica Willis [0468 936 511](tel:0468936511)

Shoalhaven Heads
Spring Fair

Jumping Castles * Aqua Skirmish * Petting Zoo
Kids Art Exhibition * Face Painting * Kids Activities
Scrumptious Food * Cake & Coffee Stalls
Raffle * Market Stalls * Classic Cars
Community Stalls
Live Entertainment
- music and more!

Sunday
25 Sept
10 - 2pm

Shoalhaven Heads Public School
A combined fundraising event of SHPS and Jerry Bailey Pre-School