



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to all students who represented our school in the District Cross Country, we are very proud that you all displayed the **STAR values** of Falls Creek Public School. Congratulations to you all. Special congratulations to Kiho on his sporting achievements in Cross Country and Touch Football, well done! This week, students in 3-6 Purple have another opportunity to shine at the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre, we hope they give it their best and enjoy the experience of participating in an Eisteddfod.

Our STAR students have accumulated 5000 **Dojo points**. As a reward, Monday will be **Pyjama & Movie Day**. Students wear their pyjamas (with school shoes) to school and bring a snack to eat while they watch a movie in the afternoon. Our next reward will be when we reach 10 000 points. Great effort, everyone!

Next week, all classes will begin a **child protection** education program delivered by the YMCA called Ypep. An information page is attached to this newsletter. Child protection lessons are a mandatory part of our school curriculum and all students will participate. Please talk to your child's teacher or myself if you have any concerns.

If you have a **complaint, compliment or suggestion** about any aspect of our services we're keen to hear from you. We are constantly improving the way we work, so let us know if you have any suggestions. We'd also like to know if you think we're doing something well. It helps us to make sure we continue to do great things in public education and training. We have a suggestions box in the front office. We are committed to resolving complaints promptly and at the first point of contact, wherever possible. Most problems can be solved by talking to the school office staff, your child's teacher or the school principal. Make an appropriate time to meet with them or phone the school and ask for an appointment. If your matter remains unresolved you may wish to make a formal complaint in writing or by contacting the Department of Education.



National Sorry Day is held on 26 May each year to acknowledge and recognise members of the Stolen Generations. We observe this day as a way to promote healing and our commitment towards understanding and reconciliation.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, an Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed, make a request in writing or see the principal BEFORE you travel. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

Are you a school STAR?



Safety
Trust
Achieve
Respect

*Be in the right place at the right time
Do the right thing*

*Try your best in everything
Care about yourself and our school*

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Our students were very excited today, to be introduced to our new PBL capes. Each cape represents one of our school values - Safety, Trust, Achieve and Respect. A student from each class is able to wear a cape during their breaks and present playground stars to the students that they see displaying these values

Safety
Trust
Achieve
Respect



SPORT NEWS

Well done to all the students who competed at the District Cross Country Carnival last Thursday, congratulations to Kiho Luke who has made it to the Regional Cross Country to be held on 2 June. Once again thank you to those parents who transported children, we really appreciate your help.

Mark these dates in your calendar: Tuesday 20 June - Jump Rope for Heart

Monday 26 June - FISST Athletics Carnival

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CANTEEN ROSTER



Thursday 25 May - Leah Ryan and Tegan Fisk

Thursday 1 June - Kristy Robinson and Sue Lightowlers

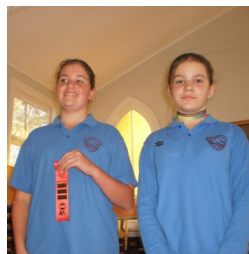
OFFICE

Could parents please fill out the change of address/contact details form attached to the newsletter if you have not already notified the office regarding any changes. We need to keep contact details up to date so you can be contacted quickly in an emergency. Thank you for your assistance.

Karen Morison



ASSEMBLY
WEDNESDAY
17 MAY



Y-PEP Child Protection Education Program

Parents Information- Primary School

YWCA NSW has been invited to deliver a Child Protection Education Program to all students. The Y-PEP program has been designed by a team of professionals from YWCA NSW in collaboration with the program steering committee, consisting of members from Department of Education, NESA (formerly BOSTES), Association of Independent Schools and Catholic Education Commission amongst others.

The program is aligned to the NESA PDHPE Syllabus focusing on the three key themes; Recognising Abuse, Power in Relationships and Protective Strategies. The aim of the Y-PEP program is to strengthen the existing child protection education curriculum outcomes delivered by school teachers.

What are the outcomes?

As a result of this program, children and young people will have;

- An increased awareness of safe and respectful relationships
- An increased knowledge and understanding of rights and responsibilities in relationships
- Increased their skills in recognising, assessing risk and responding to unsafe situations

The workshops are highly interactive to allow students to use multiple areas of learning. Our experienced and professional facilitators deliver the workshops suitable for varying levels of skills and to create age appropriate and engaging content for them to feel safe.

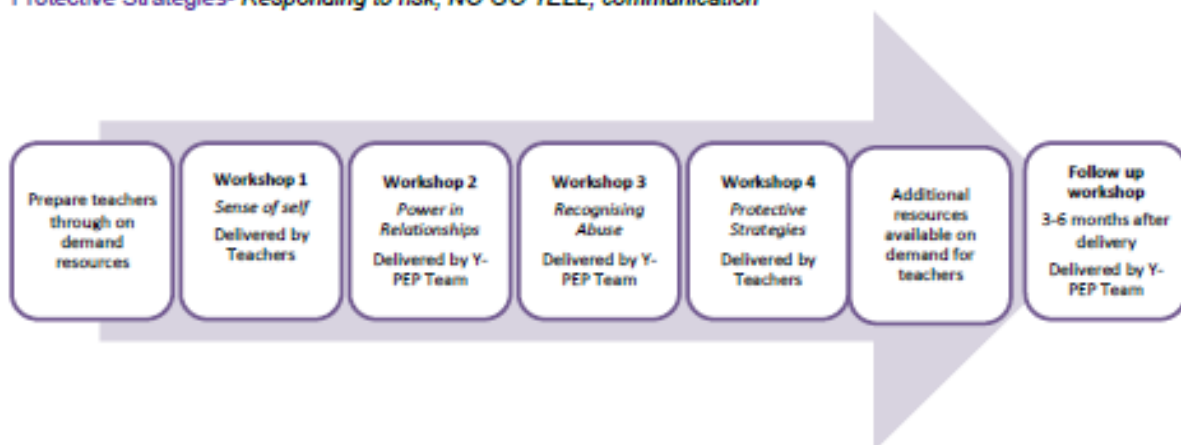
Topics covered;

Sense of Self- Similarities and differences, Introduction to the UN Rights of a Child

Power in Relationships- Rights and responsibilities, trusted adults, power in relationships

Recognising Abuse- Warning signs, body parts, types of abuse- physical, sexual and emotional, safe and unsafe touching and secrets

Protective Strategies- Responding to risk, NO GO TELL, communication



The primary school program will be delivered over 4 weeks with a 1 hour session presented each week. Teachers will deliver the first and the last of the workshops. All the other workshops and follow up sessions are delivered by Y-PEP facilitators.

If you have any questions about the Y-PEP program, please contact your school



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CHANGE OF ADDRESS / CONTACT DETAILS

Family Name: _____ Date: _____

Given Names: 1st Child _____ Class: _____

2nd Child _____ Class: _____

3rd Child _____ Class: _____

New Address:	
Home Phone Number:	
Phone Numbers:	Mother - Work: _____ Mobile: _____
Phone Numbers:	Father - Work: _____ Mobile: _____
Change of Name:	
New Emergency Contact:	Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship to Student: _____

- If any of your circumstances have changed could you please fill out this form and return it to the school office so we can update our records.

Thank you
Karen Morison