



FALLS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

TALKABOUT

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Term 1 - Week 1

Wednesday 31 January 2018

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to welcome back all of our students to school for 2018. All staff are excited for another busy and exciting year of learning.

I am glad to be back at Falls Creek after being away for almost two years. It was lovely to have students welcome me back and meet our newer students yesterday. I look forward to seeing those parents I already know and meeting new parents.

Class structure for 2018:

K - 2: Ms Nicole Humphreys (Monday - Thursday), Ms Susan Porteous (Friday)

3 - 6: Mr Dion Lalor (Monday & Friday), Ms Susan Porteous (Tuesday - Thursday)

Learning Support, RFF: Ms Bonnie Cullen (Monday - Wednesday)

My administration day will be Friday. I am available to speak to parents so please ring and make an appointment if you want to talk to me then. As I am on class during the week I am unavailable to meet with parents unless it is before or after school.

Our **school newsletters** will be published fortnightly in odd weeks. Whole school assemblies will be in even weeks. Our first assembly for 2018 will be in Week 4 where we will announce our 2018 school leaders.

School leader elections will be in Week 3. All Year 6 students will be asked to nominate and make a speech to the school before voting occurs.

School Photos will be on Thursday 15 March. Envelopes will be sent home in the coming weeks. All students will be expected to wear full summer uniform.

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

Nicole

K/2 BLUE

We've had a great couple of days getting to know each other. Kinder students start tomorrow so we will make sure to welcome them to our class and look after them as they settle in to school.

This week I have been spending time getting to know your children and what they can do to ensure I design a learning program that suits their needs. We will start our learning program from next week.

Homework will be sent home weekly and it will be a revision of the previous week's work. Home Readers will also be sent home daily and will start from next week. These will be familiar readers for your children to practice and refine the strategies taught in class.

I will use this message space to talk about what we are learning as well as reminders about upcoming events for the class.

Ms Humphreys

3/6 PURPLE

Welcome back parents, carers and students. We are very excited to be team teaching this term on 3/6 Purple.

Our days are as follows:

Mr Lalor - Monday and Friday

Ms Porteous - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

In English this term we will be focusing on persuasive writing and improving our English outcomes.

In Maths our focus will be on whole numbers, fractions and algebra. In semester 1 we will be focusing on Geography, learning about our place Australia.

We will be sending home a survey in regards to your views on weekly homework and projects. We look forward to working with you this term and please contact us if you have any concerns regarding your child's learning.

Ms Porteous & Mr Lalor

CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen will be open on **WEDNESDAYS ONLY** this term as two of our volunteer families are no longer at our school. Thanks to all our volunteers, the canteen was able to open two days a week in Term 4. As well as the children enjoying having two opportunities to order their lunch or purchase cold drinks, ice blocks and lots of watermelon in the summer heat, it was also the main source of fundraising for our small school.

Please consider volunteering, even just once a term, as it all helps to raise funds for our children's education. The children love to see their family being part of our school community and it is a great way to get to know each other. For those of you whose commitments prevent you from being able to volunteer, donating healthy home baking or pikelets is a great way to contribute too.

A big thank you to our groundsman Trevor who collected passionfruits from our school vines over the summer holidays. The many bags were picked up by canteen volunteers and frozen for the children to enjoy in summer treats from the canteen over the next few weeks. Thank you to the teachers for the gardening and watering last term. Brown onions and spring onions were also collected to use in our nachos.



SPORT NEWS

The FISST Swimming Carnival will be on Monday 19 February at Nowra pool.

All children in Years 3-6 are invited to attend, as well as children in Year 2 who turn 8 this year.

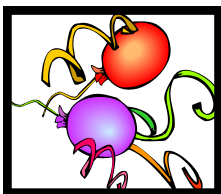
Students need to be able to swim 50 metres to attend this carnival. A permission note will be sent home shortly.

OFFICE INFO

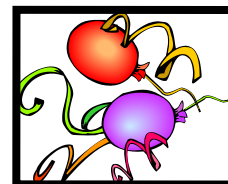
If you have changed your contact details (phone number, address, emergency contacts) or there has been a change in family circumstances please contact the office as we need to keep all information up to date.

I will be taking long service leave from 12 February for 4 weeks and Mrs Melissa Kelly will be replacing me in the office, I know you will all make her feel welcome to our lovely school.

Karen Morison



Happy Birthday!



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

12 January - Markus Macfarlane
17 January - Kaleb Flear
19 January - Declan Flear
21 January - Ryleigh Wild
25 January - Elyssa Haskins
29 January - Gemma Burcher-Hearne
30 January - Errol Malone
31 January - Elira Malone

Tuning In

Music Classes

for kids from 2—9 years old

Come Join the Fun!

Classes in Nowra and Berry

We offer general music classes for toddlers, for pre-schoolers, and school-aged children

Our JUMP classes are for children who would like to try out all sorts of instruments

Stringlets is especially for kids who would like to learn the violin, the viola or the cello

For more information phone 0490 627 235



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Tuning In

CHOIR



**Wednesdays 5:00-5:45pm at Nowra School of Arts
in 2018**

For children in Yrs 2-6

\$130 for each 9-week school term

For more information:

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Message from the P&C President

Happy new year. I hope you all had a fun filled and relaxing break over the holidays and are feeling somewhat ready for what 2018 will bring.

For those that don't know, at the start of every year the Falls Creek P&C Association must hold an Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the purposes of re-electing people into P&C roles/positions (amongst other functions), as every year these positions are declared vacant.

There will also be a General Meeting (just a regular P&C meeting) prior to the AGM, facilitated by the current role bearers, which will focus on summarising last year's achievements and meeting new (and existing) parents. The first P&C General meeting for the year is planned for Thursday the 8th of Feb at 6pm at the school. The AGM is planned for the 22nd Feb, also at pm. These dates should also filter out to parents via the school's social media.

As Falls Creek is a small school, with less resources than others, the P&C allows ways to generate funds for sporting activities, to have a canteen, transport to and from venues, various events, and awesome learning programs that otherwise would not be available to our children. We are encouraging new, existing parents and family members to share some of their time and volunteer for a role in the P&C. The more volunteers we have, the more we can share the load, resulting in more opportunities for our children.

Whether supporting the school by attending the P&C meetings, or volunteering for a role, I am looking forward to meeting you in the near future.

Lastly, we are interested in extending meetings to parents via the teleconferencing equipment at the school. If you feel that you would like to be part of a meeting but often can't due to personal and family commitments, and dialling in to a group meeting interests you, please email fallscreekpspandc@gmail.com with your comments and queries.

Thanks for your time, and I hope to meet lots of people at the next P&C meeting.

Ross James

P&C President.



FALLS CREEK CANTEN MENU



TERM 1
2018

COLD LUNCHES

SANDWICHES | WRAPS

● Salad	\$3
● Salad with shredded beef, chicken, prawn, tuna, ham, cheese or egg	\$4
● Extra protein	50c

SALADS

● Mixed Salad lettuce, tom, cuc, capsicum & carrot	\$3
● Greek Salad tomato, cucumber, olives & feta	\$4
● Mixed salad with one protein beef, chicken, prawn, tuna, ham, cheese or egg	\$4
● Extra protein	50c

SUSHI

pre order by 12pm Tues via
text to 0413046557

● Cooked Tuna or Crab	\$4
● Teriyaki Chicken or Beef	\$4
● Fresh Salmon	\$4
● Prawn	\$5

With vegies or avocado

Please contact us with any dietary requirements, suggestions or feedback.

HOT LUNCHES



EVERYDAY HEALTHY FOODS

● Freshly made vegetarian pizza Add meat	\$3.50 50c
● Beef or Veggie Burger	\$4
● Toasted Sandwiches	\$4
● Lasagne & Salad	\$4

OCCASIONAL FOODS

● Chicken Schnitzel Burger	\$4
● Beef Nachos	\$4
● Mini Party Pies	\$1
● Chicken Breast Nuggets	50c
● Tomato or BBQ sauce	30c

SNACKS 10c-\$2

Variety of snacks available such as

Mango	Olives	Fruit & Nut boxes
Avocado	Pikelets	Fresh Popcorn
Watermelon	Muesli Bars	Tuna & biscuits
Fruit Kebabs	½ Toasties	Cheese/cherry toms

Our canteen is 100% volunteer run.
Contact the Canteen Coordinator on
0413046557 to help on a Wednesday or
donate home baking.

DRINKS

● Water (plain)	\$1
● Sparkling Water	\$1.50
● Milk (plain)	\$1
● Up & Go Milk (choc, strawberry, vanilla & banana)	\$1.50
● 99% Fruit or V8 juice	\$1.50
● Coconut Water Wildberry or Tropicana	\$1.50
● Fruit Smoothie with Ice Cream	\$2.50

FROZEN SNACKS

● Quelch 99% Fruit Juice Sticks	50c
● Up & Go cups or icy poles	50c
● Proud & Punch Juice Pops	\$1
● 98% Fat Free Vanilla Ice Cream	\$2
● Twisted Frozen Yoghurt	\$2



We offer 3 **EVERYDAY HEALTHY**
items for every 1 **OCCASIONAL**
item. See the Healthy School
Canteen Strategy at
healthyschoolcanteens.nsw.gov.au