

The Forestville Flyer

Monday 17 December 2018

Term 4 Week 10

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues 18 Dec	Stage 2 & 3 Picnic Day	Wed 30 Jan 2019	Years 1 – 6 commence school
Wed 19 Dec	Forest Idol	Mon 4 Feb	Kindergarten commence school
Wed 19 Dec	Last day for students	Tues 5 Feb	First school banking day
Tues 29 Jan	Staff Development Day	Tues 5 Feb	Yrs 3 – 6 Swimming Carnival

Principal's Message

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

It was absolutely delightful to share the celebration of learning with the Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students and their teachers. I am sure that the parents who attended would agree that the assemblies were a joy to watch as each child was acknowledged for their individual talents, improvements or achievements. The choral, speech and musical interludes were just fabulous as were the speechmaker finalists.

The Year 6 Graduation Dinner last Friday night was organised by our Year 6 parents and what a wonderful night it was for the children. They enjoyed a dinner and disco run by Lulu's dad Scott Ehler who kept the boys and girls and the teachers on the dance floor most of the night. The function room at the RSL was beautifully decorated and we would like to thank the parents for making the event so memorable for everyone.

The Year 3- 6 Sports Assembly celebrated the wide range of achievements and efforts made by our students in both sport and dance. So many children, besides the trophy winners, demonstrate 100% effort, attitude and commitment to their sports and I extend a hearty thank you in acknowledgement of their great sportsmanship.

The 3-6 Awards celebration, combined with the Year 6 Graduation was also a wonderful event. It is such a well organised and delightful ceremony where we celebrate success across so many aspects of the school. I would like to again congratulate all of the award recipients and all other students for the growth in your learning this year. I would also like to thank all of our staff for ensuring all of the respective celebrations received the kudos they deserved.

A REWARDING 2018

I can truly say how proud I feel at the enormous range of achievements efforts, progress, successes and challenges experienced by both our students and teachers this year.

A very busy, but rewarding year at Forestville Public School. Our staff are gold!

I would like to acknowledge the outstanding job our staff here at Forestville do each and every day. Our school leadership team of Ms Howe, Mrs Cordaiy, Ms Costa, Mrs Lodge, Ms Osborne, Miss Fergus and Mr Ellis are an exemplary team that have so capably led and supported teachers, learning programs, students and families this year.

Our stellar teaching team of classroom and support teachers are full of energy and ideas. They constantly reflect on improvements to practice and organisation. Their collaboration and support of one another is outstanding. The unwavering dedication they bring to our children, and to public education, makes them a staff second to none!

Behind the scenes in the school office, in sick bay and the school grounds, our administration team keeps school life running smoothly. I know the teachers, and I am sure parents and children, appreciate the efficiency, the friendly readiness to help, and the extra care provided by our administration team. They show initiative and work hard to ensure families are well informed.

As the year comes to a close I extend sincere thanks to our teaching, admin, support and cleaning staffs as they work together to make Forestville a really fantastic school.

ADDITIONAL THANKS

I would also like to acknowledge and extend heartfelt thanks to the many parents and volunteers who assist our school on a day to day basis. Whether it is in classrooms, P&C committees, excursions, transporting children here and there for events, your help is invaluable. As teachers we really do appreciate your assistance, but more so- your children do too!

Thank you also to the parents who volunteer as class coordinators- it's a valuable role in terms of keeping us all connected as a community, which is important as our lives get busier and our school grows in size.

Thank you to our fantastic P&C for the wonderful contributions to our school. We are powering into the 21st century with future focused learning in our sights. We have our P&C and community partnerships to thank for their support in improving classrooms and the environment.

As a staff, we know we may not get it right 100% of the time. The constructive feedback we receive from parents as to what or how we could do things better is appreciated, as we work together to improve and optimise learning experiences for our children and build a rich community learning environment.

To our wonderful children, our greatest natural resource, whose curiosity, energy and quest for learning delights, stimulates and motivates us all to do the best we can. We hope they have a wonderful break, with time to play, rest, laugh, read, catch up with family and friends, pursue some new challenges or experiences and come back to school feeling refreshed and renewed in 2019.

LOST PROPERTY

Our Lost Property mountain, located outside the Uniform Shop, is once again overflowing with clothing, lunch boxes and drink bottles, umbrellas etc. Children and parents are urged to see if long lost possessions are in there before the end of the week when we will donate to charity or into our second hand supplies.

IT'S TIME TO SAY GOODBYE

It's a time of mixed emotions for our Year 6 children as they finish up their primary education, and prepare with both excitement and trepidation for a new school next year. They have formed invaluable friendships over their time at Forestville PS, and the beauty of attending your local public school is that fact that hopefully these friendships can continue in the local area regardless of the high school each of them attends.

For some of our families it is their last year here as their youngest child leaves Year 6. I would like to sincerely thank these families for their long commitment and support of Forestville Public School.

Many have taken key roles across the school over the years and have added such richness to our school community's life. Our final farewell to the Year 6 students will take place on Wednesday 19th December in the afternoon with the traditional "Clap Out". From 2.30 pm the whole school will form a tunnel to provide a farewell tribute to the Year 6 children, Parents are most welcome to attend.

To the families who are relocating from Forestville in 2019, it has been a pleasure working with your children and we wish you all the best in your new school. I hope you will retain your friendships and look back on your time at Forestville with fond memories and a place you associate with many happy times.

We have a number of staff who will not be returning in 2019 and I would like to extend our thanks and best wishes to them. It is the nature of teaching that there are staff movements and this brings new people with fresh ideas and a new range of skills into our school. Leaving us will be Mrs Hilary Sheriff (Library), Mrs Raelene Howse (Support class), Ms Sally Cooper, Miss Holly Shanahan, Miss Brianna Wilson, Mrs Sarah Jackson (school councillor), Miss Amanda Jackson, Ms Joanne Osborne, Mr Aidan Baker, Mrs Michelle Tabrett and our aides Mrs Sue Edwards and Mrs Bev Mitchell. Some staff are retiring, some have been on a year's secondment from their substantive school, some are moving to live in a different location and some are pursuing their careers along other pathways or have taken leave to travel. We wish all of these staff every success in 2019 and thank them for their contributions to Forestville Public School.

MERRY CHRISTMAS SEASON AND HAPPY HOLIDAY BREAK

As this will be the last newsletter for 2018, I would like to extend both our thanks and best wishes to the Forestville school community on behalf of the staff at our school. I extend the warmest of wishes to all our families for a merry Christmas season full of joy and happiness, and a relaxing holiday full of relaxation to reenergise for the New Year ahead.

Please keep a community watch on our school over the holiday break. Vacation Care (available on 20 and 21 December and re-opens on January 7), will be operating on site. Teachers and ground staff will be in and out of the school during the holidays, but in the event of what seems 'undesirable activity' within the school ground, please call the Department of Education's School Security Unit on 1300 880 021.

2019

The school re-opens on Tuesday January 29, 2019. The Year 1-6 students return on Wednesday January 30, and will return to their 2018 class for the first day.

The new Kindergarten children, commence on Monday February 4.

If you require a uniform prior to the commencement of the school term Pickles in Brookvale will re-open early in January 2019.

Many thanks for your support through the year and I am looking forward to another great year in 2019.

Louisa Wellings, Relieving Principal

P & C

What a 2018 we have had at Forestville Public School this year. I hope all the families enjoy this last week of presentation ceremonies. I myself am sending my year 6 daughter off on Friday (amid a flurry of tears – mine...not hers!)

A quick wrap up of 2018:

As you may have read in last weeks Newsletter the P&C has been actively funding the school across technology, facilities and staff. The P&C have used funds which were accumulated **over 3 years** to complete many projects to a total of \$254,816.50 Below is a list of the contributions the P&C, which means all our parents and community, have enabled Forestville to have:

1. Air conditioning in all classrooms. \$63,000
2. Synthetic grass installation in the Darley Road end of the school \$21,105
3. Flexible Furniture for Kindergarten and Year Six \$75,000 – more to be purchased soon.
4. STEAM hub furniture, fixtures and technology \$51,007
5. Learning Support funding \$25,000
6. Storage Shed near Library \$2,545
7. School Band. \$10,000
8. 2 New BBQs for school \$624.50
9. Kindy Library Bags \$1,038
10. New Plants for garden \$1,497
11. Happy Days Charity Cambodia \$4,000

We plan to survey the school community early in 2019 so that you all have the ability to give your say on where and what you would like to support or fund for the school, in the short & long term. We will take the results from the survey and consult with the school executive on their 3 year plan and work how we can best help the school.

In partnership with all the wonderful parents we have attending our meetings currently and in an effort to make sure all classes are represented in the P&C moving forward we are going to introduce a new role for each class in 2019. Not only will each class have a class parent but they will also have a P&C liaison.

This person or someone else from the class will need to attend a maximum of 8 meetings across the year (2 per term) and act as the voice of your class. We plan to have welcome drinks early in 2019 for the P&C and this new group of parent volunteers so that you are all introduced to each other before our first meeting.

A couple of misconceptions about attending meetings that I thought should be cleared up. You won't end up on a committee and it isn't all about raising funds. My personal favourite part of the P&C is having the attention of the principal and deputy principal in a small Q&A session. We can ask questions, get answers and view our opinions.

That big list of achievements above takes a whole lot of special people. Thankyou to our team of executives Michelle J, Ken, Rebecca, to Suzanna, Betsy, Sally, Padraig, Lisa, Carolyn and to all the parents and children of Forestville Public School. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year and see you in 2019.

Emma Thompson

P&C President

From the Office

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASSES 2019 - Notes were sent home with students two weeks ago. They were also sent out as an attachment on the Skoolbag App. We also have notes in the office if you need a copy.

Accounts - Thank you to all our families who have settled their final account for 2018. Another reminder was emailed last week and prompt payment would be appreciated.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Canteen

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17 Dec NO CANTEEN	18 Dec NO CANTEEN	19 Dec NO CANTEEN / LAST DAY OF TERM		



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Uniform Shop



Uniform Shop opening hours over the Christmas Holidays

The online uniform shop Pickles is closed 20th Dec 2018 - 4th Jan 2019. You can order online up until 20/1/19 for delivery to the school by the 29th Jan (staff development day) or you can go to the actual Pickles shop which is unit 8, 42- 46 Wattle Rd Brookvale any week day after the 4th Jan to purchase and try on directly. To avoid shipping fees, you can order by 5pm on 20 January, and your order will be delivered to the school office for pick up on the pupil-free day – 29 January between 9:00am and 3:00pm.

IMPORTANT: Please note that the Uniform Shop will not be open on the Pupil Free Day, Tuesday, 29 January, 2019.



Huge thanks to volunteer Lynie for helping sort through the lost property this morning and sending as many labelled items back to classes as possible! It takes a village!

There are still lots of items waiting to go home. Please have a look before Wednesday afternoon if you're missing anything. There are shoes, umbrellas, food containers, and jumpers with hard-to read names that you might recognise!

Big year-long thanks also goes out to Emma Latner, who not only sorts through the lost property on a regular basis, saving the time and money of countless families, but who is also the driving force behind our very successful Second-hand sale program. Forestville is lucky to have you!



Donations to the second-hand shop can be dropped off at the office. Proceeds from second-hand sales go to the P&C, which uses the funds to benefit the school.

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21 -23 January

Rock Band

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9am - 3pm daily

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25 January

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Tiny Tigers Ages 3-4 Class Time 8:30 to 9:00AM	New and Returning Students Ages 5-7 Class Time 9:00 to 9:40AM	New Students Ages 8-16 and Returning Students Class Time 9:45 to 10:25AM
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Returning Students please see website at www.karate-kids.com.au for class times.

REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED UP TO THE THIRD WEEK OF TERM. NO PRE-REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY. JUST TURN UP 10 TO 15 MINUTES BEFORE CLASS TIME ABOVE IF POSSIBLE. WE ACCEPT CHEQUES OR CASH. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, SEE WEBSITE AT www.karate-kids.com.au.



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Community News

School Holiday Activities

Summer 2018/19

**BOOKINGS OPEN
7AM MONDAY 26 NOVEMBER**

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