The Forestville Flyer

Monday, 16 December, 2019

Term 4 Week 10

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tue 17 Dec	Forest Idol	Tue 28 Jan, 2020	Staff Development Day
Wed 18 Dec	Year 6 Graduation 1.30pm in the Hall	Wed 29 Jan	Year 1 – 6 Students commence Term 1
Wed 18 Dec	Last day of Term 4	Mon 3 Feb	Kindergarten – commence Term 1
Thu 19 Dec	Staff Development Day No Students	Tues 4 Feb	First day of School Banking
Fri 20 Dec	Staff Development Day No Students	Fri 7 Feb	Swimming Carnival

Principal's Report

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 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 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.

YEAR 6 DINNER DANCE

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.

We are going to miss this Year 6 group of students next year and wish them every success in their journey beyond Forestville. They are a wonderful group of students and have been a joy to teach.

Principal's Report



HOME READERS / LIBRARY BOOKS AND RESOURCES

Please return all home readers and library books to school by tomorrow as we need to complete a stocktake of resources. Any other school resources which students may have borrowed can be returned at the same time. It is important that we have our resources returned as we need to move into 2020 with adequate supplies for the students moving into their next grad

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 the 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 18 December in the afternoon with a graduation assembly at 1.40pmand with the traditional "Tunnel" from 2.30 pm in order for the whole school 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 Miss Tess McAllister (Year 4), Mrs Tanya Lancaster AP (MC Support class), Mr Chris Williamson (Year 5), Miss Isabelle Selwyn (Year 3), Mrs Sonya Cordaiy DP, Ms Ariane Kuner (Year 1) and Miss Jess Mountford (Year2), Mrs Michelle Tabrett (RFF) and Mrs Eva Jackson (RFF). Some staff are retiring, 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 2020 and thank them for their contributions to Forestville Public School.

HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY

As this will be the last newsletter for 2019, 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 filled with 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 19 and 20 December and re-opening on January 6), 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.

Principal's Report

2020

The school re-opens on Tuesday January 28, 2020. The Year 1-6 students return on Wednesday January 29, and will return to their 2019 class for the first day.

The new Kindergarten children commence on Monday February 3.

If you require a uniform prior to the commencement of the school term Pickles in Brookvale will re-open early in January 2020.

Many thanks for your support through the year and I am looking forward to another great year in 2020.

Thank you for your support

Louisa Wellings Relieving Principal

Year 6 Dinner Dance

It was with great excitement and some trepidation that a group of Year 6 parents gathered at the start of the school year to plan and organise the Year 6 2019 dinner dance, and what a fantastic night it was for the Year 6 kids and the sixteen teachers who attended.

A huge thank you to the Year 6 dinner dance committee members for all your hard work, late nights and ability to drop everything at a moment's notice to have a planning meeting at the RSL! Thank you to our decorating team of Mel D, Emma S, Nathan Y, Nicky S, Pip A & Greg V. And to our organising committee of Jess O, Sam W, Mel S, Jane G and Michelle J and Tracey L. Tracey L, in particular, worked long hours in her already very busy life to create a wonderful yearbook for our Year 6s to treasure. She also designed the invites and place cards for the dinner dance – your talent is truly amazing, thank you!

Our very special thanks goes to the following FPS parents who provided services either free or at a reduced cost: Graham Woolger of GPrint Media for his generosity in printing the year 6 yearbook at cost; Simon Turner of Cakes 2 U, for providing decorations for the night and the cake our Year 6s will enjoy on their last day at school, at cost; Elena Stepanova of Gem Studio Photography for her wonderful photos of the night; Malcolm and his events team at the Forestville RSL; Scott Ehler for providing the most amazing disco again this year; The Forest Rugby Club for hosting the parents and siblings while the Year 6s were dining and dancing the night away, and to our generous P&C for donating funds toward the dinner dance.

Year 6 Dinner Dance

And finally our very grateful thanks goes to our wonderful Principal, Year 6 teachers and all the staff at FPS for making our children's last year at FPS such a wonderful, memory-filled one – you are all amazing!

Year 6 Dinner Dance Committee

P & C

Buying Gift Cards online = raising money for our school

Forestville Public have been offered a unique opportunity to raise funds for the P&C through a local Forestville Public School family business this Christmas. This Christmas (or for any occasion) instead of buying Gift Cards at the Supermarket, we would like to encourage you, your family and friends to buy them online at <u>www.giftcardexpress.com.au</u>

When you do, Forestville Public School P&C will receive 50% of the profit from each gift card sold. All you have to do is enter **PCFCODE** when you buy on <u>www.giftcardexpress.com.au</u>.

Gift Card Express is the largest website of all digital and plastic gift cards in Australia and they will deliver eGift cards to your inbox or have the plastic cards delivered to you or your loved one's door.

The more people who buy Gift Cards from this site using **PCFCODE** in the Promotion Code section means the more funds will be raised for the School's P&C. This potentially can be a great fund raiser for the school, so please tell your family and friends to buy from <u>www.giftcardexpress.com.au</u>

From the Office

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

Term 4 Account reminders were emailed to all families with outstanding fees a couple of weeks ago. Prompt payment would be appreciated before the end of term.

SKOOLBAG APP

Please download the SKOOLBAG app to your device to keep up to date with school newsletters and notifications. Please make sure you are subscribed to your current Year Group and remember to update this in the New Year.

From the Office

The following link will assist you with:

How to find Notices and Newsletters How to locate and subscribe to Groups How to locate the E forms How to find the school's latest notifications How to locate archived notifications

https://skoolbaghelp.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360000573975-How-to-locate-the-features-in-the-new-SkoolBag-app

Stationary Requirements for 2020

Your child's stationary list for 2020 was sent home last week and was also posted on the school website.

Orders placed prior to 27 December are FREE DELIVERY. Orders placed after the 27 December will occur a \$12.95 delivery fee.

Library News: 2019 in review

Thank you to the support of the Forestville Public School community; especially our wonderful Library Monitors for 2019. If not for their dedication, the library would not have run as smoothly as it has this year.

This leadership role has seen our Library Monitors demonstrate the attributes of active citizenship to support all members of the school community from management of library resources, to assisting patrons locate resources and ensuring equitable access to resources.

Furthermore, they has been involved in various library initiatives, such as Book Week and The Great Book Swap to support our community of readers as well as the wider community respectively. Library Monitors have visited and shared ideas with the Branch Librarian at Forestville Public Library and the Principal at Lindfield Learning Community to plan how our library may continue to support our community, well into the future. The library thanks all Library Monitors for 2019 for their dedication over this year and wishes them the best for their future.

Event	Raised	Plan
Donate-a-Book	\$1,705.00	100% will go to resources to support the learning
Donation by J+E	\$500.00	of all students
Music		
Book Week	\$1,376.85	100% will go to replenishing the collection
The Great Book	\$214.50	100% of funds were donated to the Indigenous
Swap		Literacy Foundation

Library Fundraising

Premier's Reading Challenge

Participation	2018	2019	Growth
Number of students participated	94	205	118%
Number of students completed independently	68	82	21%
Number of students completed as part of class learning	n/a	77	n/a

Helena Vassios Teacher Librarian

Christmas masks made by 5PB



Student Out of School Achievement

Congratulations to Tahlia G, Lachlan P and Olivia P from Year 5 who represented Warringah in a Dancesport competition last week, making the finals in Cha Cha, Waltz and Jive.



Band News



Forestville Band 2019

Dear Band Parents

Firstly, we would like to thank all of you so much for your support in the lead up and of the night of the Carols! Thank you to all the Volunteers - your help in setting up and packing away was amazing!

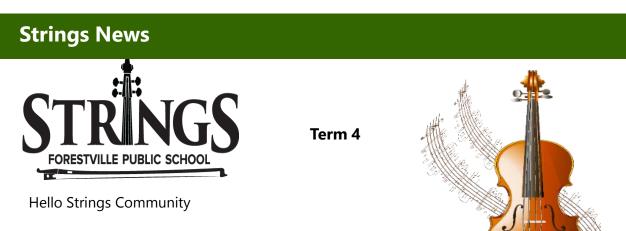
Also another huge thank you to the FPS teachers and of course our conductors who went above and beyond to make the night a success!

Watching the children having a wonderful time on and off the stage made my heart sing.

As you know the carols night was a band fundraiser. I am pleased to let you all know that we raised \$3,502.70 on the night. Of course there are some expenses that will need to be taken off the total, but overall we made a profit.

Alison Fleming Band President

Band Committee fpsbands@gmail.com



I hope that you enjoyed an exciting year of Strings and that the children are looking forward to next year's program. Wishing you all a relaxing holiday break and see you next year. Rehearsals will start in Week 2 from 5 February, 2020.

Strings News

New Thursday afternoon Group

Exciting news confirming that we have sufficient numbers to go ahead with an additional group (yet to be named) for Senior Players on a Thursday afternoon commencing next year with Mark Stevens conducting. This group was invited to this year's senior students and will be eligible going forward to students who have been doing Senior Strings for 1 year.

Opportunity for experienced Pianist/s to join the Strings Program

We have newly created positions for pianist/s to join the Strings Program, if you are interested/or know of someone who might be in auditioning to be part of our Senior Group and have a minimum level AMEB 4, please contact me for details.

Instruments

Still looking for an instrument? Check out our 2nd Hand Instrument List

Or if you would like to rent, please let me know at any time and we can still include you in the rental program with the understanding that the instruments may not be available in time for the first rehearsal if you advise me next year.

Junior Strings Change of Rehearsal Day

Please note that from **next** year (Term 1 Week 2 2020) Junior Strings Rehearsals will be on a WEDNESDAY's 3.15pm-4.15pm.

Any questions please contact **Kylie Lake - Strings President** fps.strings@gmail.com ph: 0414 666 711

CALL OUT FOR 2ND HAND UNIFORMS!!!!!

Summer stocks in our 2nd hand uniform shop are low, if you have any uniforms to donate please leave at office.

We cannot accept hats!

New hats are available in office, for those who need one in a hurry! New uniforms available online or in store from Pickles, our uniform supplier.

PLEASE CHECK LOST PROPERTY FOR MISSING ITEMS.

Label all drink bottles and lunch boxes with name and class, it makes it easier to return items!

2nd hand Uniforms are available through the school – please contact Bronwyn on 0424 513 527.

ORDER ONLINE

https://www.picklesschoolwear.com/shop?school=forestville-public-school Please note that if order online to be delivered to the school, there is no delivery fee.

Bronwyn Barlin - 0424 513 527





DECEMBER 2019 - EXTENDED TRADING HOURS

We are located at Unit 8, 42-46 Wattle Road, Brookvale until Friday 6 December Re-open on Monday 16th December at new address: 43 Carter Road, Brookvale

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 CLOSED	2 9am-5pm	3 92m-Spm	4 92m-5pm	5 9am-6.30pm	6 92m-5pm	7 CLOSED FOR MOVING
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PICKLES BROOKVALE Shop Online: picklesschoolwear.com

JANUARY 2020 - EXTENDED TRADING HOURS

Welcome to your uniform shop, PICKLES BROOKVALE We are located at 43 Carter Road, Brookvale

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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
CLOSED	9am-5pm	9am-5pm	9am-5pm	9am-6.30pm	9am-5pm	9am-2pm
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CLOSED	10am-2pm	8am-6pm	9am-5pm	7am-6.30pm	9am-5pm	9am-Ipm

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Canteen

Forest Bites Canteen

Volunteer Roster Week 10

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16 December	17 December	18 December		
CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED		



A very big thank you to all the volunteers who have helped in the canteen this year. Tania and Kim could not run the canteen without all your help.

As we have a number of volunteers leaving the school this year, we would love to have some new volunteers join the roster for next year. If you are able to help out, even for an hour first thing in the morning or closer to lunch, we would love to hear from you via our email address, fpscanteen@gmail.com.

Munch Monitor

Any families that are leaving Forestville at the end of 2019, can email Munchmonitors, at admin@munchmonitor.com, to close their accounts and obtain a refund of any funds still in your account.

Forest Bites canteen is proudly sponsored by McGrath Forestville





A high-quality singing workshop with experienced, fun, and inspiring singing teachers! Learn how to sing solo, sing in a group, build your confidence and perform on stage! Kids love performing in the concert on the final day!

Monday 20th to Thursday 24th January. St Kieran's Parish Centre, 2 King St Manly Vale. For children aged 5 to 12 years.

For more information and to enrol, call Natasha on 0425 297 827 or visit SYHO.INFO





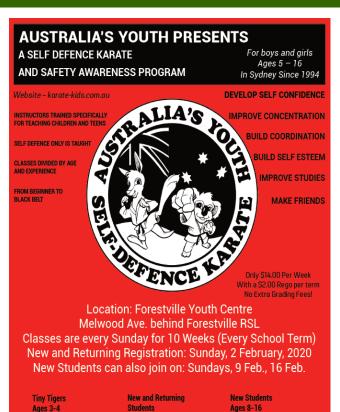
ACROBATICS AND GYMNASTICS PROGRAM

Times:	9 am –1pm or 3.30 pm	
Ages:	4+	
Place:	5A/106 Old Pittwater Rd,	
	Brookvale	
Cost:	\$45/half day or \$65/day	

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Please bring your morning tea, lunch and drink bottle with you. Wear sporty clothes.





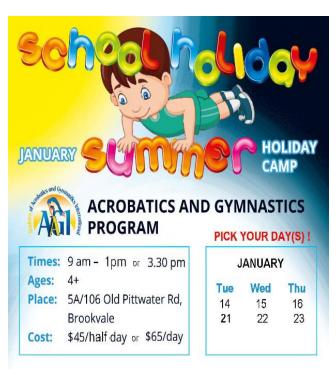
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ass Time 8:30 to 9:00AM

and Returning Students Class Time 9:45 to 10:25AM

Returning Students please see website at www.karate-kids.com.au for class times.

Class Time 9:00 to 9:40AM



Please bring your morning tea, lunch and drink bottle with you. Wear sporty clothes.

info@aagi.com.au / www.aagi.com.au or call on 9938 2017





CREATE SOMETHING GREAT!



Parents Support Group

A parent-led support group has been set up to connect parents at the school with children who have learning disabilities or difficulties. Its aim is to offer friendship and support and where possible, share appropriate knowledge and experiences. Although there are Sydney-based support groups out there and there is a lot of information available online. this is an opportunity to connect on a personal level, confidentially, within the school community. If you'd like further information, please contact the School Office.



Forestville Public School

Huaxia CHINESE CULTURE



Time: Mon & Fri 3:15pm - 4:45pm HuaXia Chinese Culture School

Our Classes Offer:

- **Experience in Chinese** Culture **Excellent Teachers**
- / Fun activity
- / Group learning &
 - 'Students Centre' teaching

Course Fee: \$12 Per Child (Limit 15 Particpants) Mob: 0432010777 Vanessa





Online registrations for the 2020 netball season will open on the **1st January 2020** at

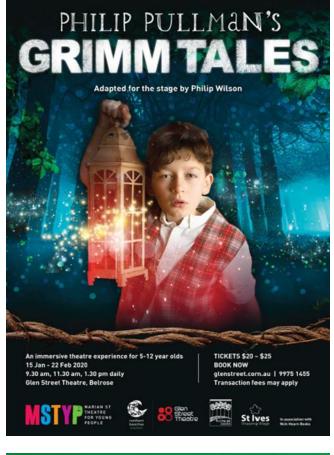
www.forestnc.nsw.netball.com.au

Look out for important registration information on our Website or Facebook page early January 2020.

- Net Set Go 8-9yrs (Games Saturday at Curl Curl courts)
- Juniors 10-17yrs (Games Saturday at Curl Curl courts)
- Seniors 18 + (Games Saturday at Curl Curl courts)

Net Set Go - 6-7yrs Skills (**Term 2** Sun pm at Melwood Ave, Forestville, courts)

(Player age is the age you are turning in 2020)





Play League Stars at Ferrets in Feb 2020

Fun fitness program designed to keep kids smiling and sweating....



4 weekly sessions Tuesdays from 4-5pm Starting Tuesday 4/2/20. Concluding 25/2/20 Costs \$49 per child. Each session run by qualified League Stars coaches. Join us at your local junior league club – Forestville Ferrets – End of Currie Road, Forestville.



Visit www.forestvilleferret.com.au for more information



Bookings for Summer 2020 school holidays open soon!

Thu 19 Dec – Tue 28 Jan, 7:30am – 6pm Cromer, North Curl Curl, Forestville & Manly Vale

We have some sizzlin' hot activities this summer with lots of exciting excursions and a heap of action planned in-centre activities to keep children happy and occupied.

We are open before Christmas and offer care all through to the Pupil Free Day in January.

Daily fee is \$72 (Child Care Subsidy available)

Also on offer these holidays

Pre-school vacation care at Manly Vale

Is your child about to start primary school in 2020? Get in quick to secure a spot for our popular pre-school vacation care program in Manly Vale.



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BLAST OFF INTO THE WORLD OF STEM at MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

Join our exciting science, technology, engineering and maths programs for Years K-7 during the school holidays in December and January.

- Class topics include robotics, learning about dinosaurs, flight, astronomy, volcanic eruptions, DNA, maths, how to analyse blood for diseases & why animal poop is so fascinating! And many, many more.
- Our classses are designed to teach concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft & other hands-on activities.
- · New courses are always added & all-time favourites are rotated each school holidays.



Creative Kids vouchers (value \$100) can be claimed for any robotics or coding class. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher.



Want more information? Visit our website: mq.edu.au/about/holidays

Drop off

Activities

Pick-up

Cost