

Forest Focus

Term 3 Week 10, 27 September 2018

Principal's Message

Coming up...

Friday 28 September	'Conversation with a teacher' 9.15am Raffle drawn at 2pm under the red sail Year 5 and 6 return from Canberra Last day of term 3
Monday 15 October	All students return to school in sports uniform Term 4 is summer uniform

Enrolling now for kindy 2019

It is time to put in the enrolment forms for kindy 2019. If you have friends or neighbours with school aged children please pass along this reminder.

Thank you

What a wonderful day we had last Sunday at our Obstacle fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who came along and helped make this such a great day and to all the people who worked hard behind the scenes to make the event 'happen'.

Conversation with a teacher sessions

Tomorrow – Friday, Kylie Davidson will be chatting to interested parents about how technology can be used to enhance children's learning. Please meet in the library at 9.15am. The photo shows stage 3 working with Spero robots – programming and problem solving.

Tell them from me survey 2018

Every year we ask parents to complete our TTFM survey with usually a limited response. May I encourage every family to complete the survey this year! It is so valuable to our school executive to gauge how we are going with all that we do across the school, and how we can better serve the changing needs of our community. Please, please take a few moments to use the link to access the survey. It is open until the end of term and can be easily completed on a mobile device. It will take about 15 minutes. The survey will close shortly.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/ffps>



2019 planning

If you know you will not be at FFPS in 2019 please let the office know by COB tomorrow.

Wondering something, have a great idea or just want to say well done?

Use the link to submit your response. <https://goo.gl/forms/AO8xovhVp9tZ28EY2>

Please find some responses to questions and suggestions...

Summer PSSA (primary school sports association years 3-6) options include junior and senior Eagle Tag. We used to play T-ball and softball but found the children were not keen to play these sports, so we introduced soccer at school with a soccer coach from Sydney Football Club for the senior boys and girls instead. Friday sport includes a house competition to give the children a feel for competitive sport and has a good mix of rotations including dance, yoga, ball games and board games. These rotations are designed to give the children opportunities for enjoyment and team work as well as a bit of healthy competition.

Woolworths discovery tours and URStrong– thank you for these suggestions which have been passed on to the teachers.

Can visiting grandparents come and see their children's classrooms even if it is not Grandparents Day? Of course – we love our grandparents! Just make a time with the class teacher to bring them through.

I will be taking long service leave for the first 2 weeks of Term 4 to travel to Israel. In my absence, please contact the Assistant Principals, Kylie Davidson (Years K-2), MJ Broomfield (Yrs 5 & 6) and Frances Separovich (Years 3 & 4).

Gail Smith

Principal

Respectful Responsible Learner

The focus for this term is: Responsibility

Assembly Award Winners

Term 3 Weeks 8 and 9

SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS

Chantelle L, Holly L, Bo C, Amelia R, Naomi Y, Lucas P, Imogen V, Gia N, Dhiren S, Maya M, Sanika S, Sofia duP, Bayley T, Olivia C, Elleesa C, Tahlia P x 2,

MEDAL RECIPIENTS

Benjamin M, William C, Andrew S



Uniform Shop

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Term 4 will see the students returning to school in full summer uniform. The Uniform Shop will be open for the final Friday of the term this week and will open on the first day back to school on Monday **October 15 from 8:30am to 9:30am**. The Uniform Shop will be open **every Friday** for Term 4.

Summer Uniform for the students is as follows:

- Boys: short sleeve white school polo and grey shorts or long grey pants, black shoes with grey socks
- Girls: short sleeve school blouse and green summer skirt or green shorts or long green pants, with black shoes and white socks
- Plus their school hat!

Our Uniform Shop is run by the P&C and is staffed with volunteers. Unfortunately, we are running very low on helpers. If you are able to help, one or two Friday mornings a term for one hour or as much as you can manage, it would be greatly appreciated! Younger siblings are always welcome too – we have a play corner with toys! If you are interested, please contact me via our email ffpspandcuniform@gmail.com or leave a message at the front office.

If you are not able to get to the shop on a Friday, you can complete an order form which is available from the office or download from our FFPS website and place it in the silver letterbox at the front office. Orders are filled each Friday and can be sent to your child's classroom or available for collection at the office.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact me via the above email or leave a message at the front office.

Deb Hishon

Uniform Shop Convener



Band

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Congratulations to the Training Band on a wonderful performance at last week's Special Awards Assembly. It is amazing to see how far you have all progressed since you first picked up your instruments a short 7 months ago.

Training Band also enjoyed a special visit from the Forest High Wind Ensemble on Tuesday morning, headed by Ben Dickson. This was a wonderful experience for our young musicians to participate in a workshop environment with senior musicians from the Forest High. They played through and learnt a whole new piece in one morning, which is an amazing effort. We look forward to hearing this piece at our end of year Concert Under the Stars.

A special thank you to Lend Lease for painting our Band Room, as part of their community day contribution. You have created a bright and engaging environment that the children (and conductors) are loving!



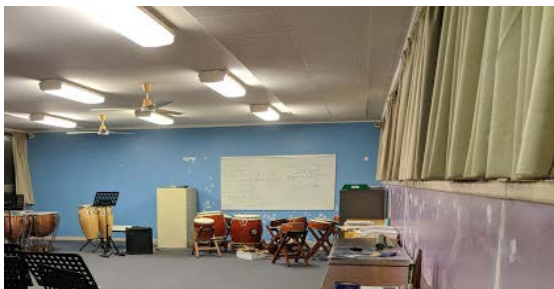
The hard working team



Before



After



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Important Term 4 dates for your diaries:

- Wednesday 24 October – Training Band 2019 information evening (Years 3-6 in 2019)
- Friday 2 November – Performance Band Assembly Performance
- Friday 2 November – Training Band 2019 instrument try outs
- Friday 16 November – Concert Under the Stars (All Bands)
- Sunday 18 November – Performance Band 2019 Auditions
- Friday 14 December – Band BBQ breakfast (All Bands)
- Carols at St Auburns Church – TBA

Have a great holiday break, and keep practising all the new music you have received for upcoming concerts in Term 4.

Sally Postma and Diana Turner
Band Convenors



Fundraising

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Thank you to our amazing committee and volunteers for making Obstacle such a success. Our net profit was over \$9,300 so it was a fabulous fundraiser for the school.

Ferrovia York sponsored our event so we would like to extend our gratitude to them as well. Also to Making a Difference Childcare, Cubbyhouse, Energize Gym for the bouncy castle and to Woolworths at French's Forest for their donation to the BBQ food.

Trivia is on Saturday 27 October. Tickets are \$30 per person. Get your tables together, brains on and notes into the silver letterbox ASAP! As usual this event will be held at the Forestville RSL from 7pm - 11pm.

Please get in touch if you have any questions, would like to volunteer your time to help our committee, donate a trivia or auction prize or have a business you would like to promote.

Please join us tomorrow afternoon outside the office at 2pm where we will draw our raffle prize winners! Good luck to everyone that has entered.

Kelly-Ann Ferrie and Nicole Christie
Fundraising Convenors

Thank you to all the Community Day volunteers who came into school and helped out in so many ways.

