

# Forest Focus

Term 3 Week 6, 30 August 2018

## Principal's Message

### Coming up...

Friday 31 August	Father's Day breakfast @ the Canteen
Friday 31 August	PSSA summer sport trials (years 3-6)
Wednesday 5 September	Showcase of student work in the hall
Thursday 6 September	Showcase of student work in the hall
Thursday 6 September	Open classrooms 8.40am – 9.10am
Monday 10 September	P&C meeting 7.30pm in the staffroom
Tuesday 11 September	School chess competition
Wednesday 12 September	'Conversations with a teacher' 9.15 in the library
Thursday 13 September	Superhero day fundraiser for Bear Cottage

### Celebrating Education Week

Please join us for a showcase of all children's work on Wednesday 5 and Thursday 6 September from 8.40am to 3.45pm on both days. Classrooms will also be open on Thursday 6 September from 8.40am to 9.10am. The children will be looking forward to showing their families and friends their work.

### New look school website

You may have noticed we have moved to a new look website due to a change in DoE requirements. Please contact Matt Philips or myself if you have any suggestions or are finding something is missing – we are in the process of fine-tuning the site.

### 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. I have thought of some ideas that may help.

- Pop into the library at 9.10am on a Wednesday or Thursday and use a school computer

- Pop into the library at 2.45 on a Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday and use a school computer or device
- If you are sick and tired of surveys why not make this your one and only survey for the year?

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

### Conversations with a teacher sessions

An idea that has come from last year's TTFM survey is to have parent information sessions run over the year.

The first will be hosted by MJ Broomfield on Wednesday 12 September, at 9.15am in the library. MJ will be talking to parents about moving into years 5 and 6 and thinking about high school. There will be time for questions.

On Friday 28 September at 9.15, Kylie Davidson will be demonstrating the innovative way she is using iPads and apps.

### Have a suggestion?

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>

**Gail Smith**

Principal

## Respectful Responsible Learner

The focus for this term is: Responsibility

## Assembly Award Winners

### Term 3 Weeks 4 and 5

#### SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS

Charlotte H, Harley C x 2, Miraya J, Nikhalya S, Georgia G, Zoe S, Oscar W, Roman H

#### GOLD AWARD RECIPIENTS

Liam P, Toby V

## Administration News

### TERM 3 Statement of Account

The school Statement of Account was emailed to all families in early August. Prompt payment would be appreciated. If you have not received your account, please contact the office. Thank you.

**Linda Lyell**

Administrative Manager

## School News

### Book Character Dress Up Parade







### **Canteen**

[ffpspandccanteen@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandccanteen@gmail.com)

Our Father's Day breakfast at the canteen is tomorrow Friday 31 August from 8am. Please join us for bacon & egg rolls, house made muffins and fruit kebabs. Tea, coffee and juice will be available.

If there are any parents who would like to help the Canteen, but can't actually make it for a shift, we are looking for new people to join our laundry roster. Laundry is to be collected every Friday afternoon from the canteen and returned on Monday. You usually only have to do it once or twice a term. If you would like to volunteer for the laundry roster, please contact Claire Woods on [ffpspandccanteenroster@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandccanteenroster@gmail.com)

**Charlotte Nash**

Canteen Convenor



### **Band**

[ffpspandcband@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandcband@gmail.com)

Well done to those talented musicians who performed for family and friends last Friday afternoon. The afternoon was a great success, with 100% of funds raised going to the purchase of new instruments for 2019. Important to note is that all items performed were organised solely by the students over the last few weeks. Wonderful dedication to their music!

#### **Important upcoming dates:**

- Friday 31 August – Concert Band will be performing during the Father's Day breakfast before school (weather permitting). Arrive at normal rehearsal time.
- Friday 7 September – Concert Band – afternoon performance at The Forest High School Festival of Lights. Performance is 3.45-4.15pm. Children will need to go directly to TFHS with their instruments, music and full band uniform.
- Sunday 9 September – Performance Band – Battle of the Bands at Balgowlah North Public School. 9.30am arrival in full band uniform, concluding by 12 noon.
- Thursday 20 September – Performance Band rehearsal will be combined with School Choir.  
Arrive at normal rehearsal time. No tutorials in lieu of the joint rehearsal.  
(practice for Term 4 assembly joint performance of Rhythm of Life, date TBA).
- Friday 21 September – Training Band performing at school assembly, 2pm. Full band uniform.

**Sally Postma and Diana Turner**

Band Convenors



## ***Fundraising***

[ffpspandcfundraising@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandcfundraising@gmail.com)

We are super excited about our upcoming Obstcool event on Sunday 23 September. Gates will open at 9.30am and the event will close at 2.30pm.

Check out [www.obstacool.com.au](http://www.obstacool.com.au) for a glimpse of what the course will look like.

And to buy your tickets: <https://obstacoolffps.pleezpay.com/>

Get in quick as early bird tickets sales (\$20pp plus booking fee) close on 3 September. Prices increase after this date to \$25pp plus booking fee. Remember this is a community event so share away with your friends and family and make it a fun day out!!

We will run four waves as follows:

10am – exclusively open for children ages 4 – 8 years old

11am – all ages 4+ (including adults)

12pm – all ages 4+ (including adults)

1pm – all ages 4+ (including adults)

Each wave will run for approximately 45 – 50 minutes and there will be a 10 minute warm up before each wave.

Please note the Obstacool course is not suitable for children under 4 years old.

Younger children can have a jump on the bouncy castle and there will be a Kindy Farm and face painting for their enjoyment as well. Each activity will be a gold coin donation to the school.

Make sure you come hungry so you can enjoy food from the BBQ and cake stall!

As you know, we cannot run these events without your help. We will be looking for volunteers to cook and serve the BBQ, man the cake stall and for general crowd control. A volunteer roster will be offered shortly on the School Interviews website. Login details will follow so please have a think about how you can help on the day.

We will also need to tap into all you bakers out there for donations to the cake stall so get your creative baking heads on, we'll be calling upon you for your culinary delights very soon...

To help out on the day head to: <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/> and use the code: eqkag

The amount of people required per time slot is listed as BBQ1, Cakestall2 etc. When you click on one of those slots you will see what times are still available. If you click on a BBQ slot that's full, just choose another slot like BBQ4, the time you are free to help might be free there too!!! The more help the better!!!

**Kelly-Ann Ferrie and Nicole Christie**

0404 612 689

0403 945 176

# OBSTACOOOL

OBSTACLE COURSES FOR KIDS & ADULTS

**Sunday 23rd September 2018**  
9.30am - 2.30pm

**Frenchs Forest Public School P&C**  
Ann St, Frenchs Forest NSW 2086 (enter Sorlie Rd)

**Early Bird \$20**  
+ booking fee till 3rd Sept

**Buy tickets online:** <https://obstacoolffps.pleazpay.com>  
 - Regular tickets \$25 + booking fee until 22nd September  
 - Tickets on the day \$30

**1st wave 10am: 4-8yr old only**  
(parents can accompany children over 4-8yr old)

**2nd wave 11am: open age**

**3rd wave 12pm: open age**

**4th wave 1pm: open age**

Waves last for 45min with **unlimited runs during that time**

Please arrive 15-30min before your wave to warm up and collect your wrist band

**Lots to do for younger kids too!**

- Jumping Castle
- Sand Table
- BBQ
- Cake Stall
- Coffee

[Major Sponsor]  
**ferrovial**

**energize**  
ENERGIZE AUSTRALIA

# School Holiday Activities

Spring 2018

**BOOKINGS OPEN 7am  
MONDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2018**

## What's in this edition?

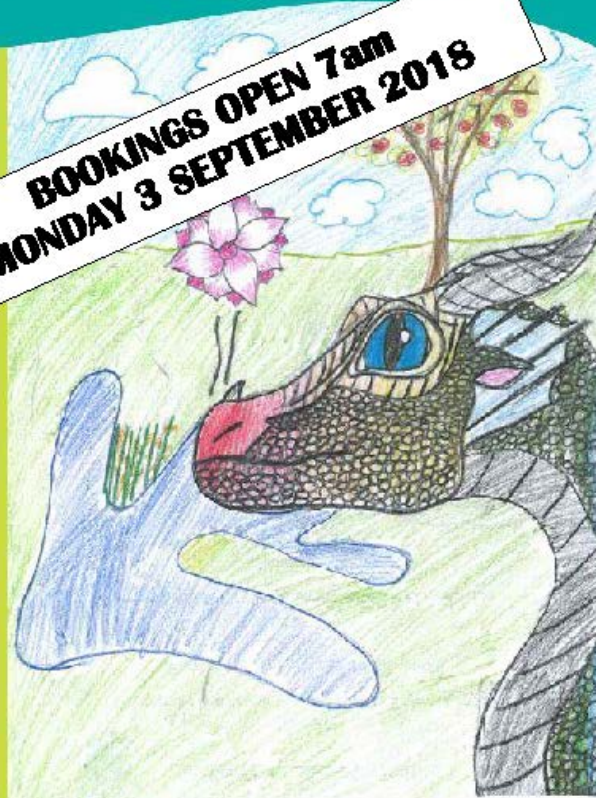
Vacation Care  
Bookings  
3 September  
Page 7

Bonnie Show  
Page 8

Library Workshops  
Page 9

Discount  
Vouchers  
Page 10

School holiday  
Workshops  
Pages 11 & 12



"Spring Design City Made up of 10 Schools in the Northern Beaches"

vacationcare@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au  
1997-2018



northern  
beaches  
council



**Frenchs Forest Public School**

Young Minds Bright Futures

Ann Street Frenchs Forest 2086 **Phone:** 02 9451 6353 **Fax:** 02 9975 3082  
**Email:** frenchsfor-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au **Web:** <http://www.frenchsfor-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>