

# Forest Focus

Term 4 Week 6, 22 November 2018

## Principal's Message

### Coming up...

As we move quickly toward the end of the year please find an overview of events for your diary.

23 November	Last scripture and ethics for 2018 'Thank you to our volunteers' morning tea 11.20am Christmas Disco
27 November	Student leadership nominations due
29 November	School captain nomination speeches 2pm (all welcome)
30 November	House captain speeches (students only) Special awards assembly with kindy graduation 2pm Buddy picnic 3.30pm (year 5 and incoming kindy)
3 December	P&C AGM 7.30pm in the staffroom – all welcome
7 December	Presentation morning 9.30am
10-14 December	Workshops for years K-5
11 December	Year 6 farewell dinner 6.00pm - 7.30pm
13 December	Year 6 excursion
14 December	Christmas concert 2pm (all welcome)
17 December	2018 buddies' celebration afternoon (year 6 and kindy)
18 December	Whole school picnic
19 December	Talent quest (students in years 1-6) Class celebrations Year 6 final assembly 2.30pm (all welcome) Guard of Honour 3.00pm (all welcome) Last day of school for 2018

Please keep an eye out for information coming home about these events.

### Congratulations to our wonderful canteen team

At our last assembly Charlotte, our canteen convenor, accepted a \$500 voucher from NSW Health for continuing to support and run a healthy canteen. Our canteen is leading the way with innovative ideas and healthy food. Congratulations!

### P&C AGM

Please join us on 3 December for our AGM. We will meet in the staffroom at 7.30. Entry is via the shopping centre gates.

**Gail Smith**  
Principal

## ***Respectful Responsible Learner***

The focus for this term is: Responsibility

## ***Assembly Award Winners***

### **Term 4 Weeks 2 and 3**

#### **SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS**

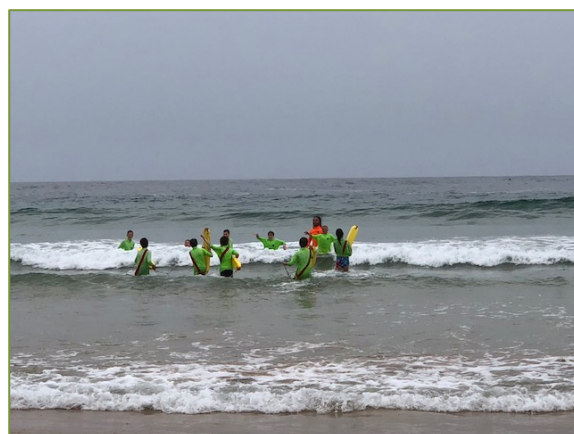
Evie M, Angus vK, Oscar G, Chloe D, Jamil C, Patrick C, Kiran S, Megan B, Joden A, Ben P, Zach T, Matthew E, Charlotte Y, Rory Z, Ethan Y

#### **GOLD AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Harry W

## ***School News***

Year 4 at Freshwater Beach enjoying their Surf Education programme.



## Administration News

### Dogs in School

There are signs at the entrance to the school advising that dogs are not allowed onto the school grounds at anytime. We ask for your support in this matter.

## P & C News



### ***Vice Presidents' Report***

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

Congratulations to our Band Convenors Di and Sal and to Ben, Kinsey, Jennifer and Charles on the organisation of a wonderful evening of music at Concert under the Stars last Friday night.

The P&C AGM is coming around quickly and will be held on Monday 3 December at 7.30pm. We have some very important positions to fill on next year's P&C. These roles are vital to the successful running of your P&C and is your chance to make a great contribution to your child's time at FFPS. All of the positions will be declared vacant at the AGM, however, in particular the following roles need to be filled:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Uniform Shop Convenor

Fundraising Convenor

If you're interested in learning more about these roles, please contact either Kerryn or Louise at [ffpspandc1vicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandc1vicepresident@gmail.com) or [ffpspandc2vicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandc2vicepresident@gmail.com) respectively as soon as possible. All outgoing position holders are committed to help for the rest of the year for a smooth hand over, so it would be great to have you working alongside them to learn the ropes for 2019. A strong P&C means we can do more for your child.

The AGM will follow a brief ordinary meeting and then some refreshments to celebrate another great year at FFPS. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Kerryn Moulds and Louise Reeson**

P&C Vice Presidents



### ***Canteen***

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

The canteen is very excited to have received a \$500 voucher from NSW Health for volunteering our menu for the new healthy school canteen strategy. We are very proud to be one of the

leading schools in the state. I would like to take the opportunity to thank our small, but very hardworking team – Adrienne Massey, Neroli Greenland, Helen Zhang, Claire Woods and Alysia Saxby and our awesome canteen manager, Carrie Bridger. We could not achieve this without your quiet and consistent effort. Thank you.

**Charlotte Nash**  
Canteen Convenor



## **Uniform Shop**

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

### **Seeking Uniform Shop Convener**

The Uniform Shop is run by your P&C and, as such, the role of Uniform Shop Convener is one that we seek a volunteer from the school community to fulfil. In 2019 I would like to step away from this role so we are looking for someone to take it on. Ideally I would like to begin the handover process this term. Outlined below is a summary of the role (noting that with either role you are not required to work in the shop every week, unless you want to!).

#### **Uniform Shop Convener**

In this role you are responsible for the smooth running of the uniform shop, working with the casual employee and the treasurer to ensure all the necessary tasks are completed. You would also be working closely with the P&C Executive Committee and the Principal on all matters regarding our school uniform. The role is very rewarding and will only take a couple of hours in total per month.

If you are interested, have any questions or would like more information, please contact me via our email [ffpspandcuniform@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandcuniform@gmail.com) or leave a message at the front office.

### **Seeking Volunteers for Friday Mornings (8:30-9:30am)**

We are running low on our volunteer numbers. Our Uniform Shop is run by the P&C and is staffed with volunteers. 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 books and toys!

If you are interested, please contact our roster co-ordinator via the new roster email [ffpspandcuniformshoproster@gmail.com](mailto:ffpspandcuniformshoproster@gmail.com) or leave a message at the front office.

**Deb Hishon**  
Uniform Shop Convener



## **Band**

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

Thank you to all the band members and their family and friends who attended our 'Concert Under the Stars' on Friday evening. It was wonderful to hear all bands showcase amazing music together. A wonderful event, well done to all involved.

The proceeds from the sausage sizzle held on the night will fund the end of year Breakfast BBQ for all band members (Friday 14 December at 8am).

**Important dates for the remainder of Term:**

- Wednesday 28 November, 6.30pm – Killarney Heights Community of Schools Concert (Performance Band)
- Saturday 8 December – Carols at St Albans Church (Concert and Performance band)
- Friday 14 December, 8am – Band BBQ breakfast with the Band Directors and Assistants (FREE) (ALL Band members invited, at the band room).

**Sally Postma and Diana Turner**  
Band Convenors



FFPS  
Thank You  
to our School  
Volunteers

## Invitation

Our school volunteers are invited to attend a special morning tea in appreciation of all the help, enthusiasm and hard work they contribute to our school.

Where: The Staffroom

When: Friday 23 November 2018

Time: 11.20am

Please RSVP to the school office on 9451 6353 before  
Tuesday 20 November for catering purposes.



# School Holiday Activities

Summer 2018/19

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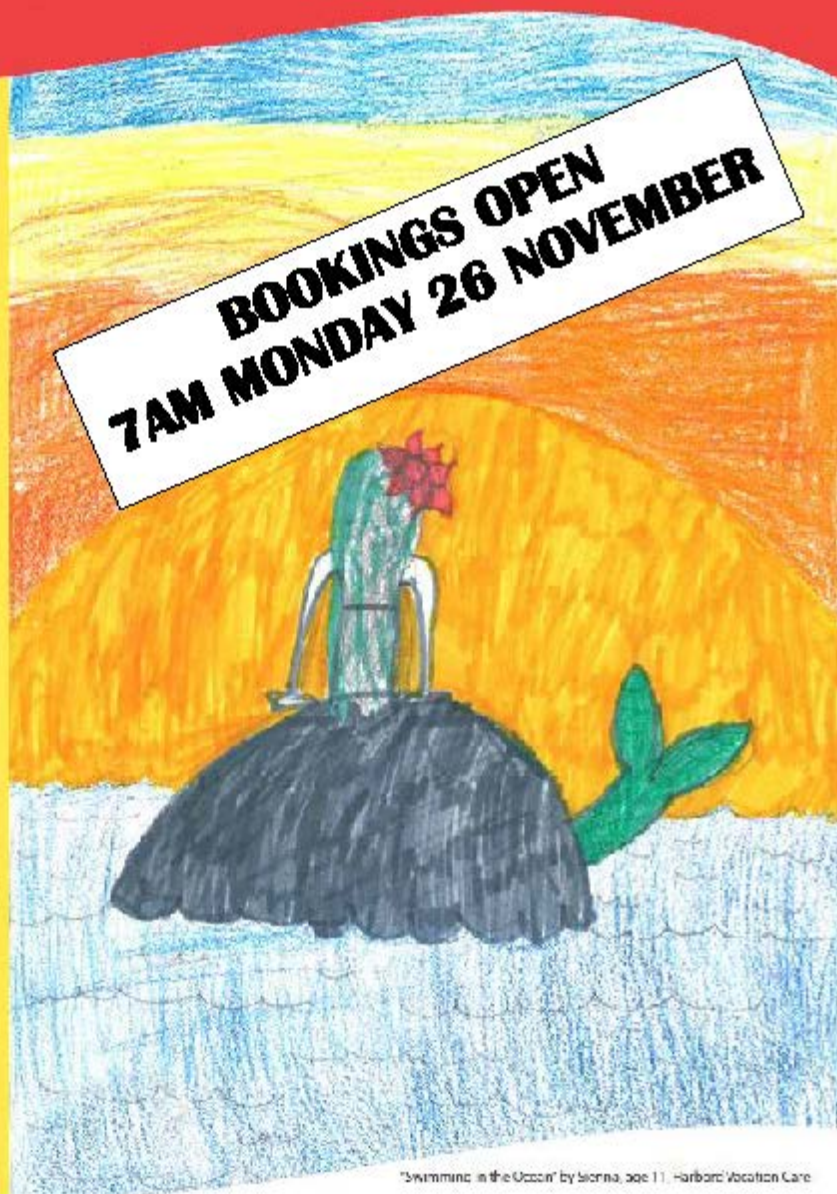
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**BOOKINGS OPEN  
7AM MONDAY 26 NOVEMBER**



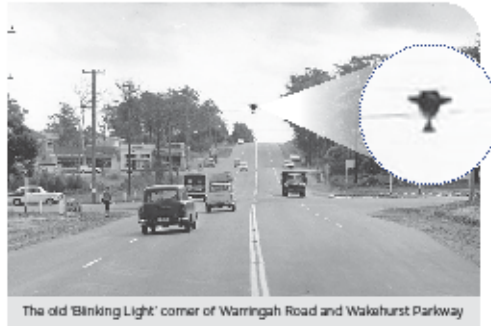
"Swimming in the Ocean" by Sienna, age 11, Harbor Vacation Care

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# 'Blinking Light' Community Celebration



The old 'Blinking Light' corner of Warringah Road and Wakehurst Parkway

## Community event to celebrate the Blinking Light intersection official naming

Following a successful campaign by local residents, Roads and Maritime Services plan to officially acknowledge the intersection of Warringah Road and Wakehurst Parkway as the 'Blinking Light' intersection.

Come and join the 'Blinking Light' community celebration on Sunday 25 November starting at 10am. The free community event will be held on the corner of Bantry Bay Road and Warringah Road, Frenchs Forest for everyone to enjoy.

In the first half of the 20th century, the busy intersection was the scene of multiple high speed collisions when the two roads were dirt tracks through the bush. To warn motorists of the danger, a blinking light was suspended above the intersection in 1952. It quickly became a local landmark. The blinking light was replaced by traffic lights in 1966, and the intersection has been upgraded several times since.



You're  
invited to  
a **FREE**  
event!

Sunday 25 Nov  
10am-12pm

**Come along and join the 'Blinking Light' community celebration. Enjoy the fun and help us thank local residents and the community while we continue to carry out this important work.**

Roads and Maritime are holding a free community event in the intersection's honour. The following activities will be provided from 10am-12pm, for families and local residents to enjoy:

- View a local pantomime about the intersections' history
- Participate in a community art project where children can construct their own blinking lights
- Join in a bush food and a lego construction workshop
- Get your face painted, catch some bubbles, pat an animal and grab a twisted balloon
- Share in a free morning tea snack
- Read about the area's local history
- Check out old transport modes such as a vintage bus and penny farthing
- Learn more about the next stages of the project



Nominations from the community are also being called for to put together a working group to ensure community input in the development of sculpture/signage to be placed at the intersection at the project's completion. Should this interest you, please contact the Community Team by calling **1800 014 307** or emailing [nbhrcommunity@nbhr.com.au](mailto:nbhrcommunity@nbhr.com.au) **RM5.18.1067**



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