



Forster Public School Newsletter



Respect

Safety

Personal Best

Term 3 Week 1

Friday 26 July, 2019

CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 2nd St 3 Canberra Camp payment to be finalised**
Zone Athletics Carnival
5th P&C Meeting 5,30pm
7th Great Lakes Learning Community (GLLC) Academic Assembly
Girls Rugby League Final
8th K-2 Gold Principal Award
9th Education Week Open Day
12-16th St 3 Canberra Camp

September

- 3rd Regional Finals Spelling Bee**
5th 2020 Kindergarten Orientation Day
12th K-2 Gold Principal Award
13th 3-6 Gold Principal Award
14th P&C Spring Ball



Principal Report- *Mrs Annie Everingham*

Hello Forster Public School Community. Welcome back to school routines and a busy term 3 ahead. I hope you all had a relaxing holiday and enjoyed time with your families over the break.

At the end of this week our new classrooms will be ready to occupy. The driveway to OOSH is now open again and entry is as per usual. This is very exciting and I again thank the teachers and students for making their temporary rooms work over the whole of last term. We are still working on obtaining new future focused furniture for the rooms and will purchase these over time. I will include some photos in next week's newsletter.

We had our Staff Development Day on Monday of this week, which focused on giving quality feedback to students to improve learning outcomes. This day was shared with other schools and was a productive and informative day. We will be following up on this in staff meetings and stage meetings for the remainder of the year.

We are very excited about our Education Week activities in Week 3, starting 5th August, culminating in open classrooms and an assembly on Friday 9th August. We are also encouraging our students to be involved in part of our SPEAKERS CORNER activities during the weeks leading up to Education week. This is an opportunity for students to be filmed talking about a topic they are passionate about for 1 minute. This ties in with the EDUCATION WEEK theme which is *Every Student, Every Voice*.

I would like to thank everyone involved in our NAIDOC week celebrations. It was so lovely to welcome our community into our school on the Friday for our special assembly and BBQ. We had so many community groups assist on the day with time and personnel. A huge thank you to Bunnings for donating their BBQ and staff to cook for our

700 students ! A huge thank you also to Hawkes Rugby League Club for donating their BBQ to ensure we had all food ready for our community lunch. Our P & C were amazing giving up their time to cook and distribute sausages to all our students. Thanks you to the executive P & C members for organising and rallying together to assist. I would also like to make a special mention to Manning Support Services donating \$500 towards the events during the week. We are so grateful for their donation which has been ongoing for some years. I don't know if everyone saw the NAIDOC cake, but it was impressive! A huge thank you to our canteen manager Danika Lemessurier for her work on the cake! Thank you also to the Aboriginal Land council for the marquee and to our amazing community for the cheesecake and biscuits and for supporting our kids during the week and the big assembly. Uncle Steve, Uncle Ness and Auntie Marg all gave of their time and expertise to help make the week, one to remember and celebrate.

During our assembly a plaque was announced in remembrance to Auntie Kay who was an Aboriginal Education Officer at Forster PS for some 20 odd years helping out hundreds of students and families over that time. This was accepted by family members who wanted to pass on their appreciation of the recognition of Auntie Kay's contribution to Forster Public School.

"Katrina and Chris would like to thank the schools principal, students, teachers and staff members past and present for recognising Auntie Kay's hard work and dedication to the Aboriginal kids at Forster Primary School during her time there"

This plaque will be proudly mounted next to the whale out the front of our school for all to see.

Until next week,
Annie Everingham
Principal

**THIS WEEK'S POSITIVE
BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING
LESSON (PBL)**



**Respect
Safety
Personal Best**

Term 3 Week 2 - Our focus for the coming week's PBL lesson:

Learning Intention: To walk safely in two class lines

Why is it important?

To create a culture of respect when moving around the school as a class.

- **Looks like/Sounds like:**
- Walk to class behind the teacher in two short lines.
- Keep left at all times
- Stay on paths
- Move around quietly
- Wait in two lines
- Keep up with your class, stay in line
- Return to class promptly

We remind ourselves and each other to always meet our three core values of safety, respect and personal best every day. If we do the right things, we may get rewarded with Class Dojo's or Hadley awards.

Boys Rugby League

On Tuesday 2 July, the opens and under 10's rugby league teams went to Taree for the annual All Schools Carnival. The Opens team were defending champions and started well with wins over St Joeys and Tuncurry. A tough game against Wingham saw them go down, but had done enough to make the final. The boys tried hard but were unfortunate in a see-sawing game. The eventual winners, Wingham played to their strengths and took advantage of some good field position.

The under 10's did enough to secure a semi-final spot, but were beaten by a very convincing Joeys team who would win the division convincingly. All the boys and girls got better with each game and showed some good signs for the years to come. Well done boys and girls.

The Opens will play Valentine in the regional final at Cessnock on the 25th July. Good luck boys and play hard!



Attendance

A letter went home earlier this week explaining some changes we are having with roll marking and notifications home. At the beginning of Week 2 we will be changing programs where daily attendance is recorded. The new program allows for a text message to be sent home the day your child is away. Rolls will be marked every morning like normal and the text message will be generated shortly after and sent home to all families. The easiest way to respond is to send a text message in return indicating why your child is away for the day. Depending on when you notify the school and when the letters/ texts are generated there is a possibility of a cross over period where you might receive a reminder even though an explanation has been received and recorded on the system. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. If you have changed or not supplied your address, phone number (mobile) or email address, please update this with the front office as soon as possible.



Girls Rugby League

On Wednesday 27th June, the Girls Rugby League teams travelled to Taree to contest the mid north coast 7 a side rugby league carnival. Forster entered two teams through a large number of interested girls. The girls trained the house down every lunch time in the lead up to the event and it showed as both teams made the semi-final. Unfortunately for one team, it meant that there could be only one winner. Well done to all the girls who represented the school exceptionally well. The Forster 1 team will now travel to Coffs Harbour to contest the finals on August 7.

Class news: YEAR K_2/28 CROCODILES

Our Visit to 99 Farm

Neigh...I love
a brush and
a handful of
grain



Moo...Milk,
grain, hay
...what have
you got?



You guys head
back to school
...It's going to
take me a while
to spin and knit
Arvy Alpaca's
wool



Mmm...My
damper is
pretty good.
Maybe I'll be
able to go on
Masterchef



Maaa...Not
much grass in
our paddock
so I'm loving
these leaves



Cluck...Noah is
getting better
at picking me
up



SRC Report

There have been a lot of exciting things happening; sporting events and NAIDOC week in the last week of term. On Monday 1st of July, the girls' basketball team represented Forster Public School in the knockouts. It was a home game and the girls competed against Taree West. It was a very close game at first, but by half time the Forster girls were battling it out with their all and won with a striking score of 17-10. They will now move up to the third round versing Wingham.

The last week of term 2 was NAIDOC week, Forster Public School has been participating in fun activities around the school to acknowledge the Indigenous culture. We have been painting, playing fun games and on Monday we watched the smoking ceremony. It was another great week for Forster Public School and we look forward to the coming term.

by: Charlie & Sophie

School Leaders

REMINDER

If your child wishes to bring a mobile phone, ipods, ipad or similar device to school then parent/carer needs to complete a Use of a Personal Devices form and signatures of both parent and student is required. Once completed the form needs to be returned to the school office. A copy of the policy outlining use of devices is attached to the note.



Kindergarten 2020 Orientation Day

Our kindergarten Orientation program for children starting school in 2020 is Thursday 5 September at 9.30 am in our school hall. If your child is 5 by 31 July 2020 and they are ready for school, then you can enrol your child for school. Enrolment packages will be delivered to preschools soon. If your child does not attend preschool, you can obtain your enrolment package from the Forster school office.

P & C NEWS

It's hard to believe it's Term 3 already. With a number of exciting events coming up this term, the P&C have been very busy planning all the finishing touches.

Our first Spring Ball is also only 7 weeks away. Happening, Saturday 14 September, 6:30pm at the Cape Hawke Surf Life Saving Club. With the stunning backdrop of One Mile Beach, combined with a night filled with fun and entertainment, be sure to book in the babysitter now. You won't want to miss it. Tickets will go on sale very soon, so keep an ear out for how and when you can buy your tickets. Coming up in Week 3, we will also be hosting a Cake and Coffee stall, as a part of the Open Day for Education Week. We'd love for you to come along and say hi and buy a cuppa and cake.

Last term, the P&C were also proud to host the student NAIDOC BBQ. The volunteers had great fun, cooking and enjoying the day's celebrations. It was great to be a part of recognising and celebrating our local Worimi culture. A big thank you to Bunnings, Bakers Delight, No Bull Butchers and our volunteers for helping us fill all those children's hungry bellies.

Sarah Wilkinson P & C President



TERM 3 School Planner and Canteen Information

Week/ Month	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2 July/August	29	30	31	1	2 Stage 3 Camp payment to be finalised
Week 3 August	5 P&C Meeting Education Week	6	7 GLLC Academic Assembly Girls Rugby League Final	8 K-2 Gold Principal Award	9 Education Week Open Day
Week 4 August	12 St 3 Canberra Camp	13 St 3 Canberra Camp	14 St 3 Canberra Camp	15 St 3 Canberra Camp	16 St 3 Canberra Camp

NEXT P&C MEETING

Monday 5 August

5:30pm Staffroom

All welcome!

A-One Fotomakers Hunter

At the annual school photo day, A One Fotomakers Hunter took photos of

Year 6, Year 6 Fun, SRC and School Leaders.

These photos are now available for viewing and purchase for the students involved.

If you were photographed in the groups above, please go to the following website and use the password and username to access the site

www.fotopay.com.au

Click on Miscellaneous button

Job Code: NE1918

For all photo enquiries please phone 49540499



YOUR LOCAL PCYC PRESENTS
BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Fri 23 Aug 6:30pm

TUNCURRY BEACH BOWLING CLUB

TIME: 6.30PM - 8PM

COST: \$5

AGES: PRIMARY STUDENTS YEARS 3-6

PRIZES AVAILABLE | FUN GAMES
CANTEEN AVAILABLE




SAVE THE DATE

Spring Ball

CAPE HAWKE SURF CLUB
SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2019

On behalf of Forster Public School we ask you to save the date for an evening of canapes, grazing boards & entertainment

- INVITATION TO FOLLOW -



Students bring splash of color to Manning tranquility garden

If you have recently walked through the main entrance and tranquillity garden at Manning Hospital, chances are you would have noticed it looking a bit brighter.

On 5 June, local primary and secondary school students were invited to paint traditional Aboriginal art on concrete columns in these areas.

Expressions of Interest were sent out to students earlier in the year, and they were asked to submit a proposal for their artwork that would make these spaces a calm, welcoming environment for visitors.

One design from each school was selected, and the students were invited to the hospital to complete their paintings.

The official unveiling of the paintings took place with a traditional dance performance by the Chatham High School Dance Group and a BBQ lunch.

What a wonderful way to engage the community and create welcoming spaces for our visitors.



The colourful pillars sitting pretty in the tranquillity garden.



Proud students pose with their artworks.