



Forster Public School Newsletter



Respect

Safety

Personal Best

Term 4 Week 4

Friday 6 November 2020

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 9 NAIDOC Week Celebrations**
13 Wear red, yellow & black to school or your favourite indigenous shirt

DECEMBER

- 14 Yr 6 Farewell**

School Canteen



[Online ordering](#)



[Booking Form](#)

P & C Uniform Shop



[Order here](#)



Principal Report – *Mrs Annie Everingham*

A big welcome back to Mrs Everingham, who returns from leave on Monday. Thank you very much Mr Machon who was Relieving Deputy Principal the last few weeks. Mr Machon returns to his Learning and Wellbeing position, supporting schools within our region.

Our Kindergarten staff have been working creatively with our local preschools and day care centres to start Kindergarten transition in the virtual world! Last week was our first week utilising 'Zoom' to connect with the 2021 students at their preschools and day care centres. Yesterday was our second session. Our teachers read a book and our students participated in an activity related to the book while the students at preschool and day care did the same activity too. It is all so exciting to watch!!



We have received our wonderful Kindergarten t-shirts which will be handed out with an information package soon.

These will be delivered to students who have enrolled at preschools and day care centres and also available in the front office for those who do not attend the local centres. We will be having a session at school where we will give students a tour of 'big school'. More information about this will come soon. We look forward to meeting all of our new families and Kindergarten students!

Next week we have our NAIDOC celebrations. Every day there will be something exciting for the students to participate in. A huge thank you to all of the staff involved in the organisation of the week. I had a sneak peak of the Koori boys dance and WOW, they have done an amazing job! There will be some lovely art work displayed at the front of the school for you to view and enjoy.

This week we have been busy planning for 2021, budgeting, looking at class structures and the new school plan. Term 4 is always an extremely busy term. If you know of any new students coming to our school, please encourage families to ring if they haven't already.

Have a lovely weekend,

Lorelle O'Brien
Relieving Principal

Spring

Results from ICAS Assessments

Students from Forster Public School were eligible to participate in the ICAS assessments run by the University of NSW. The ICAS assessments are online tests, designed to recognise and reward academic excellence. Students are asked to demonstrate a deeper, integrated, and thorough level of learning. They apply classroom learning in new contexts, using higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills.

We are very proud of the students who participated in the assessments this year and the outstanding results they achieved.

Year 2

Ruby R English – Credit, Maths – Credit, Spelling Bee - Credit

Ruby W Science – Merit, English – Participation, Maths – Participation, Spelling Bee – Participation

Reggie English – Participation, Maths – Participation, Spelling Bee – Merit

Year 3

Chase Digital Technologies – Credit, Maths – Distinction, Science - Credit

Tahlia Digital Technologies – Merit, English – Participation, Maths – Credit, Science – Participation, Spelling Bee - Credit

Jessica English – Credit, Maths – Merit, Spelling Bee - Credit

Sasha English – Participation, Maths – Credit, Science - Credit

Dali English – Participation, Maths – Participation, Science – Participation,

Lily Maths - Participation

Year 4

Mali Digital Technologies – Merit, English – Participation, Maths – Participation, Science – Participation, Spelling Bee - Credit

Dylan Maths - Credit

Year 5

Tanzin Mathematics – Merit

Suraiya Digital Technologies – Participation, English – Participation, Maths – Participation, Science – Participation, Spelling Bee – Participation

Priya English – Participation, Maths – Participation, Science – Participation,

Year 6

Maxim English – Merit, Maths – Distinction, Science – Credit, Spelling Bee - Distinction

Caleb Maths – Merit, Science – Credit,

Trent Digital Technologies – Merit, English – Participation, Maths – Participation, Science – Credit, Spelling Bee - Merit

Tom Digital Technologies – Participation, Maths – Participation, Science – Participation,

Matthew Maths – Participation

Riley Digital Technologies – Participation, Spelling Bee - Participation

We encourage all FPS students to consider completing the assessments and hope to see even more students participating next year.

<https://www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au/educational-assessments/products/icas-assessments/>



Term 4 Week 5 - Our focus for the coming week's PBL lesson:
It's Ok To Be Unique And Not Follow The Crowd!

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



Learning Intention: Students understand what unique and different mean and why it is important to be happy with who you are.

Why is it important? Students need to understand differences in people and show respect and acceptance for everyone.

Specific skills to be taught: 1. Safety 2. Respect 3. Personal Best
School Rules for each value – see posters in each classroom.

Success Criteria: Looks like/Sounds like:

- Use school talk
- Keep your hands, feet and objects to yourself
- Be responsible for yourself
- Do your best at all times
- Care for others and their belongings
- Play fairly
- Encourage others to play
- Participate in a positive way
- Include others in your activities

**Respect
Safety
Personal Best**

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 Dojos or Hadley awards.

Stage 2 Gold Principal Awards



**YEAR 6 FAREWELL
INFORMATION**

Due to the current circumstances and ongoing COVID restrictions the Year 6 end of year farewell will take place on school grounds, unless circumstances change. The staff would like to make this as special as we can for our Year 6 students to celebrate their last year of Primary school. We are required to follow the COVID Guidelines and will continue to check these as they are updated.

Date: Monday 14 December

Time: TBA

Location: Forster Public School

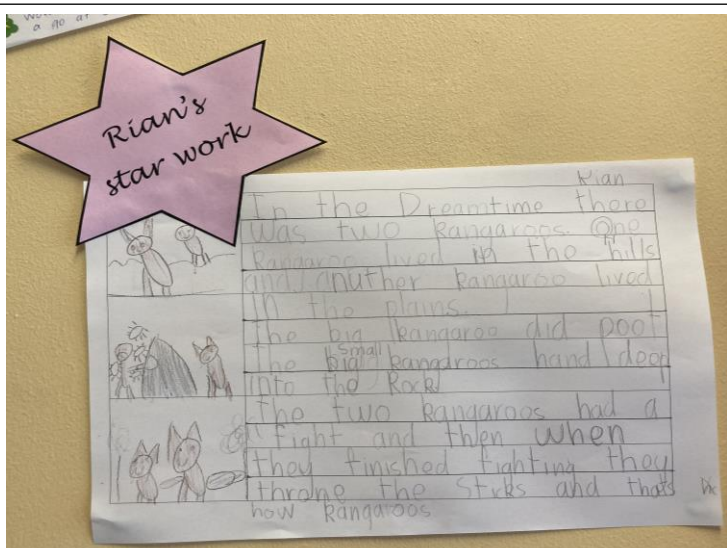
Dress: Comfortable Smart Casual and age appropriate.

Menu- Individually packaged TBA

Further information and notes home will be given closer to the farewell date.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Stage 3 Team



TERM 4 School Planner

Week/ Month	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5 November	9 NAIDOC WEEK	10 NAIDOC WEEK	11 NAIDOC WEEK	12 NAIDOC WEEK	13 NAIDOC WEEK Wear red, yellow & black today
Week 6 November	16	17	18	19	20
Week 7 November	23	24	25	26	27

P & C NEWS

The P&C and Uniform Shop are seeking feedback from our school community regarding the introduction of a dress into the school uniform. The dress is the same material as the current polo shirts and also the same colour. If this is an item that you would purchase or you don't believe it should be introduced, please let us know - we want to hear from you! A sample of the dress will be available for viewing in the School Administration Office. You can submit your input to the email address forsterpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au or look out for a voting slip during week 3.



Year 7 Selective High School Applications 2022

Applications for placement in Year 7 in selective high schools in 2022 will be accepted from **Tuesday, 13 October 2020 to Monday, 16 November 2020**.

Parents/Carers must apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

We are excited, our 2021 Kindergarten t-shirts have arrived.



We can't wait to see our new Kindergarten students wearing them.

Is Your Child Coming to Kindergarten in 2021?

We are now taking enrolments. Your child must be 5 by 31 July 2021.

Enrolment packs are available at your local preschools or can be collected from the front office.



HAVE A BLAST!

Thanks to the Woolworths Cricket Fund your child can participate in our Junior Blast Program for FREE!

For ages 5-9

Only 30 spots available

GREAT LAKES

Starts Wednesday 12th November (runs for 6 weeks)

Time: 4-5pm

Location: Turramy Sports Complex

To register go to www.crickeet.com.au

Search Turramy and select NSW/Woolworths Community Program - Great Lakes

ENTER the code: WMLK7795W2021

Further Enquiries: Kate Jackson @ katejackson@cricket.com.au

OFFICIAL LIONS PRIDEWIND

GREAT LAKES JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

YOU COULD PLAY FOR FREE!



naidoc.org.au

NAIDOC WEEK

8-15 NOV 2020

#NAIDOC2020
#AlwaysWasAlwaysWillBe



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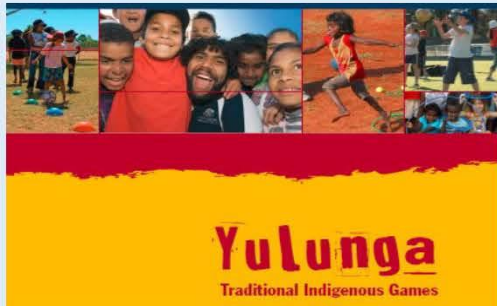
Due to current restrictions, we are unable to have our community join us for NAIDOC celebrations this year, but

..... we have lots of learning, awards and cultural activities planned and will keep you updated with photos and videos on our media pages.

..... our amazing artwork will be on display at the front of the school so that it can be seen as you drive past.

..... our Year 6 Koori students will lead the school in Yulunga (Traditional Indigenous Games). The games use traditional skills and are lots of fun.

..... the children will all watch videos of Steph and Ellen preparing and cooking Johnny cakes, lemon myrtle biscuits and warrigal greens in scrolls. YUM!



..... we are plaiting and painting, and learning about the meaning of this year's theme *'Always Was, Always Will Be'*.

..... Class Awards and Grade Citizenship Awards will be presented in Stage Assemblies on Friday.

Recipients will receive a photo to take home.

FRIDAY—celebrate by wearing red, black and yellow or your favourite indigenous shirt.