



Forster Public School Newsletter



Respect

Safety

Personal Best

Term 3 Week 4

Friday 14 August 2020

CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 17 ICAS Science Competition**
- 24 ICAS English Competition**
- 28 ICAS Digital Technologies Competition**

- 31 ICAS Mathematics Competition**

SEPTEMBER

- 4 ICAS Spelling Bee Competition**



Principal Report – Mrs Annie Everingham

Hello everyone!

Our school staff are on a journey at present of evaluating our three year school plan and preparing for our next four year School Improvement Plan. To do this we will require our school community to complete a survey to give us a clear indication of what is working well in our school and the areas we can improve on and plan for in the future. Watch this space.

We will also be surveying our students across the board as well. It is important that we get feedback from our whole school community. We will involve our SRC representatives in this process.

I had an incredible day last Friday with the school celebrating Primary Principal Day. I was totally spoilt and felt very special. A huge thank you to all the students who wrote lovely messages and drew pictures for me to hang in my room. I wore a cape and had a crown and magic wand to carry around all day....very special.

As mentioned last week we will send home an action plan for you to view in the next few days in the case of our school having a potential COVID-19 positive case detected and we go into shut down. This is not expected but we do need to be prepared. To assist with this can you ensure your contact numbers are up to date. Thanks.

We had a meeting this week to organise our NAIDOC week celebrations. It is going to be a fantastic week full of rich experiences and activities. Thanks to our Aboriginal Education Team for their ideas and commitment. NAIDOC week this year falls in Term 4 between the 8- 15 November.

We have been told this week that the Instructional Leadership roles will continue in 2021. We are so fortunate to have two amazing Instructional Leaders working in our school in the K-2 area. Mrs Kylie Allardice and Mrs Dianne Murray. They both bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to our team and we are thrilled to have them on board for another year to help improve our student outcomes and our teaching practices.



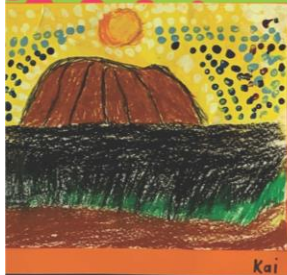
I would like to do a big shout out to our amazing Learning and Support Team and School Learning Support Officers who work tirelessly to support our students and staff across the school. Mrs Lorelle O'Brien oversees and coordinates the Learning and Support programs and has a great team to work with who are forever giving their time and energy into making a child's day productive and meaningful. We thank you so much!

I hope you all have a great weekend with your family and friends.

Annie Everingham
Principal

ARE WE THERE YET?

By:
Year 2



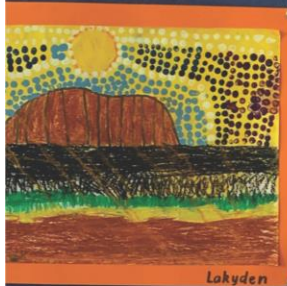
At the beginning of Term 2, Year 2 packed their bags and commenced a trip around Australia. We have visited the following places and learnt about animals that live there:

Flinders Ranges - pelicans

Rottneest Island - quokkas

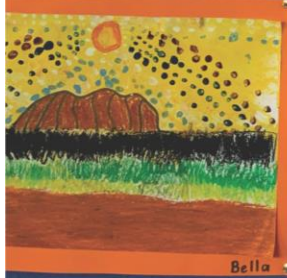
Turquoise Bay - dolphins

Broome, Uluru & The Olgas - thorny devil.



Along the way we have had a chance to stop and take a 'selfie' with a quokka, paint the wonderful landscape of Uluru, paint a picture of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and write postcards.

Our next stop is at Mount Isa. We will be learning about crocodiles, the jabiru and other wetland birds. We can't wait to reach the Great Barrier Reef to swim with the tropical fish and investigate their habitat.



It hasn't been all fun and games! We have been learning how to research, plan and write informative texts.

We hope you haven't missed us too much! Miss Meadows, Miss Chapple, Mr Marshall, Mrs Sparks, Ms Milligan and Mrs Gardner are really looking after us.



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



ANTI-BULLYING

**Respect
Safety
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Term 3 Week 5 - Our focus for the coming week's PBL lesson:

Under the umbrella of our Positive Behaviour for Learning students will be engaging in a series of Anti-Bullying lessons over the coming weeks as part of our school's Anti-Bullying Action Plan. These lessons will look at relationships and how people work and interrelate with each other. Lessons are graded for each learning stage.

All students across K-6 will:

- Know their sense of their own worth and dignity.
- Respect the right of others to hold different values and attitudes from their own.
- Enjoy a sense of belonging.

Early Stage 1-Kindergarten: What does my world look like?

- groups we belong to including families, classes and community
- appreciating and accepting our differences
- characteristics that make a good friend
- keeping myself and others safe from bullying.

Students will:

- Identify how individuals care for each other.
- Relate well to others in work and play situations.

Stage 1- Year 1 and 2: What is a Family?

- families can be similar or different to my own
- everyone has a personal identity
- caring for others
- protecting myself from bullying
- keeping others safe from bullying.

Students will:

- Develop positive relationships with peers and other people.
- Describe how relationships with a range of people enhance wellbeing.

Stage 2-Years 3 and 4: Why is It Important to Belong?

- that belonging is important and people belong to many different groups
- that diversity and difference enrich our society
- the value of diversity in our local community and school
- how to recognise bullying
- how to respond to bullying at school using school wide responses
- protective behaviours to keep ourselves and others safe from bullying.

Students will:

- Describe how relationships with a range of people enhance wellbeing.
- Make positive contributions in group activities.

Stage 3 Years 5 and 6: What factors influence or shape identity?

- stereotypes and biases of individuals and groups may not always reflect reality
- values and beliefs influence the decisions and actions of others
- how Australia has changed over time and how this has contributed to our diverse society
- how values and attitudes have changed over time
- exploring commonly held values such as respect, fairness and equality
- how identity is shaped by many factors such as, family, cultural influences, gender and background.

Students will:

- Describe roles and responsibilities in developing and maintaining positive relationships.
- Act in ways that enhance the contribution of self and others in a range of cooperative situations.
- Explain and demonstrate strategies for dealing with life changes.

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.

Kitchen/ Garden News

Kitchen/Garden classes have been in full swing this term. The garden has produced some beautiful vegetables which the kids have then tasted in their classes. The theme has been FOOD to MOVE and the importance of eating the rainbow to give a steady flow of energy to get you through the day. Stage 2 have been learning all about vegetables that grow above or under the ground and what part we can eat. The kids loved eating the kale and sweet potato chips that were grown, harvested and cooked at school.



NEXT P&C MEETING

AGM

Monday 7 September

5:30pm via Zoom.

If you are interested in being a part of this meeting, please send an email and we will forward you the Zoom link.

forsterpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au



2021 High School Enrolments

Great Lakes College would like to inform all Year 6 parents to keep an eye on the post for Year 7 enrolment packs for next year. If parents would complete the form and return to Forster Campus by Friday 21 August. If you haven't receive a package yet, please contact Forster Campus collect or call 6554 6062.

Taree Touch 2020 Junior Competition

Comp Start Date: Monday 7th Sept



Boys & Girls
Under 9's, 11's & 13's
Plus Development
Sessions for 6-8yr olds



Have fun, be active, play Touch Football.
Active Kid Vouchers Accepted

Nomination day: Monday 24th August
4-6pm Taree Rec Centre Touch Shed
For more information head to our FB page
Contact: Graham Goodwin 0457 826 001 or
Email: tareetouch01@gmail.com

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.



Kindergarten

Dear Mrs Everingham,

Thank you Mrs Everingham,
You make Forster Public School so great.
We love to see your smiling face
You're the best principal in the State!

Thank you for our bag hooks,
And fixing up the 'fixedy'.
We have so many things to do at lunch,
We really are a lucky bunch.

You look after all the students,
And the teachers and the staff.
We don't know how you do it all,
But you do it with a laugh.

We love your pretty clothes,
And the cool dresses that you wear.
You have the nicest earrings and blondest hair,
You could have been a model!

From all the 'kiddos' in Stage One,
We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.
Your beautiful, talented and lots of fun,
And in lots of ways just like our mums!

With lots of remote hugs and kisses,

Stage One Students & Teachers

7th August 2020

