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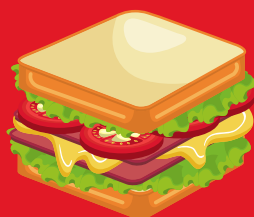
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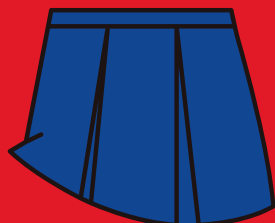
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PRINCIPALS REPORT - Mrs Alison Jenner

School Spectacular

Congratulations to our talented dancing team who performed so brilliantly at 'School Spectacular'. It was so exciting to see the performances of all children across NSW public schools come together to put on this amazing event. Not only did our students perform their very best but also spoke beautifully representing our school on Channel 10. Well done girls and a huge thankyou to Miss Chapple, Miss Meadows and Mrs Horn-without you this would not have happened.

Great Lakes Learning Community of schools (GLLC) joint launch

This week we have launched the promotional video of the GLLC schools on our school facebook page. This video showcases the wonderful opportunities that students have in the GLLC in this area. Thank you to the students who took the time representing our school in this film. Please take the time to view the video.

Gold Assembly

It warmed my heart to see so many families and carers back on school site supporting their children as we celebrated the outstanding achievements of all the children who received an award and/or medal.

Congratulations to our Student Leadership Team for 2023 who were also announced on the day-Sasha, Eliza, Ivy, Philippa, Cleo, Dali, Chase, Logan, Liam, Harrison, Reyansh and Bailey. I look forward to working with you next year as you bring a strong student voice to our school.

Additional Staff Development Day reminder...

Students will now finish school on Friday 16 December 2022. This is due to an additional School Development Day announced for staff across NSW public schools. School Development Days allow our staff to participate in professional learning that was put on hold due to COVID-19 staffing pressures and plan for 2023 to ensure we meet the needs of our students. With this change, we ask that you arrange alternative care for your child on Monday 19 December. While there will be no classes on Monday 19 December, if you cannot arrange alternative care for your child, we will provide minimal supervision at school.

Getting ready for 2023

Another reminder to ensure that if your child is enrolling at Forster Public School in 2023 or you know someone who hasn't enrolled yet-now is the time to let us know so that we can get things organised for you.

End of Term activities

Exciting times ahead as we move into the last couple of weeks in Term 4. I'd like to take this opportunity to remind all students that we expect high standards of behaviour as we begin celebrating our end of year activities such as picnics, fun days, and concerts. There are so many things on over the next couple of weeks-please keep up to date with the information, so you don't miss out.

Have a great week.

Alison

What's On at FPS?



Wednesday 7 Dec

Stage 2 Picnic

Palmgrove Park - Uniform - walking - bring own lunch/drinks
9.30am - Return by 2pm

Thursday 8 Dec

Yr 6 Farewell

Club Forster 5.30pm - 7.30pm - Cost \$25
(parents from 7pm)

Thursday 8 Dec

Kindy Concert

MPC
9.30am - 10.30am

Friday 9 Dec

Stage 1 Colour Explosion Concert

12pm MPC

Monday 12 Dec

Yr 4 Hadley Helper Training last day training

9.30am - 10.55am

Tuesday 13 Dec

Presentation Day

K - 2 - 9.50am
3 - 6 - 11.40am

Wednesday 14 Dec

Kindy Picnic

Pebbly Beach paved picnic spot
Walking - Uniform - wide brimmed hat - packed lunch -
NO CANTEEN ORDERS
10am - return by 11.20am

Thursday 15 Dec

Stage One End of Year Excursion

The Hangout - Bus - Uniform - Enclosed shoes - Cost \$16
Yr 1 - 9.30am - 12pm
Yr 2 - 12pm - 2.30pm

Thursday 15 Dec

Year 5 Fun Day

Ten Pin Bowling 11am - 2.30pm Cost \$10
Walking - Uniform - Hot Chips & drink provided

Thursday 15 Dec

Year 6 Fun Day

9.30am - 2.55pm Water play - Back field - Pizza - Cost \$3
Uniform - Change of clothes to get wet.

Friday 16 Dec

Last day for students

School Spectacular

12 excited girls eagerly arrived at FPS early on Tuesday morning. Brimming with excitement and anticipation with what the coming days would bring at the 39th annual Schools Spectacular. After buses, trains and a bit of walking, the girls and their teachers; Miss Meadows, Miss Chapple and Mrs Horn arrived in Sydney and got settled into their accommodation. The days that followed were full of dancing, rehearsals, sequins, tutus, lipstick, braids, hairspray, and some of the best packed lunches the girls have ever had, thanks to Mrs Horn!

As if it wasn't exciting enough to be a part of Schools Spectacular, Forster Public was chosen as the group to represent ALL regional schools on the Studio 10 morning show. The girls were given the opportunity to interact with the presenter, teach him a dance and be interviewed... all live on TV! An incredible moment for the girls, the teachers and all the families and friends watching at home.

Forster PS's dance was all about love and magic! The girls loved being on the massive stage floor, being under the bright lights and dancing to brilliant live music. They got to meet other kids from all over NSW and made memories to last them a life time!

After the final performance on Saturday night was done, the girls were happily reunited with their parents, full of stories, laughter and a few yawns!

Well done to all the girls. We are all immensely proud of all of you!
Miss Meadows, Miss Chapple and Mrs Horn.



Gold Principals Award Assembly

Congratulations to all recipients of certificates and medallions at our Principals Award Assembly.

Here are few snaps of our medallion recipients and music and library award recipients.

We also congratulate our leadership team elected for 2023.



Music Awards



Library Awards



2023 Leadership Team

PBL - Hadley Winners!

Congratulations to the following students for displaying respect, safety and their personal best.



Asha & Sunny



Eadie & Kirra



Mackenzie, Abigail,
Caitlin, Felicity



Otis & Hudson



Oden & Jack



Emma



Vaida & Cleo



Felicity



Transition from Year 2 to Year 3

Moving to the next grade is an exciting time for all students and particularly so for our Year 2 students moving into Year 3 next year. We have starting our transition program for our Year 2 students moving into Year 3. Year 2 students have completed a survey where they could write what they are excited about moving into Year 3, what they are worried about for Year 3 and any questions they would like to ask about Year 3. On Thursday 1st December, our Year 2 students spent the morning in a Year 3 classroom and the current Year 3 teachers discussed with them the similarities and differences about being in the primary. Year 2 students were taken on a tour of all the areas used by Year 3 students at our school and had their questions answered about what it's like being a Year 3 student at FPS.



Meet our Staff

Hello everyone, my name is Melanie Moyle and I am a Year 6 teacher. I am blessed enough to teach the amazing 6/11 Donkeys! I moved to Forster last year and started teaching science across years 3-6 before moving onto a Year 6 class mid-year. Prior to moving to Forster, I taught in a small school called Howlong Public School, near Albury for 5 years. I grew up in Newcastle and love the beach. I am currently trying to learn to surf (not so successfully). I have been teaching for 7 years and love getting to know the students and watching them grow academically, socially and emotionally throughout the year. I feel very blessed to be teaching in this amazing school and have felt very welcomed since day one!





If your child has a Health Care Plan and you know there will be no changes for 2023, please contact the school. If your child's Health care Plan needs reviewing, make sure you see a doctor over the holidays and send your new plan to school to start 2023.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF LOWER MIDCOAST AND MIDCOAST COUNCIL PRESENT

The 47th Carols by Candlelight
FREE ENTRY

Covid Rules Apply

Monday 12th December - 6:30pm
Harry Elliott Oval, Tuncurry
Compered by Lyn Lelean

A special visit from **Santa**

*** A great night of entertainment for the whole family ***

- ✪ Song Sheets ✪ Glow Sticks ✪
- ✪ BBQ ✪ Beverages ✪

★ Bring a chair or picnic rug to sit on ★

Thank you to our Event Partners

Our K-6 choir has the prime spot at 8pm to perform with a live band at the Carols by Candlelight next Monday the 12th December. Be sure to come along and show them your support.

Guitar



The Samuel Brett Nelson Kickstart Foundation have VERY generously donated guitar lessons and a guitar to some of our senior students. Taught by the awesome Katherine Todd, these students have had a lesson each week. Today these students performed for their first time in front of our Kindergarten students. Congratulations to everyone for a fantastic performance.

Well done to Alison, Allira, Ashael, Briella, Chloe, Jace, Kaden, Kaiden, Lilly and Lily. We are all super proud of you.



ICAS Assessment Results

Congratulations to the following students who achieved excellent results in the ICAS assessments held this semester.

Digital Technologies

Year 4
Daniel Credit

Year 5
Chase Merit

English

Year 4
Macy Distinction
Freya Credit
Levi Merit

Year 5
Chase Credit

Year 6
Cohen Distinction
Josie Merit

Mathematics

Year 2
Felix Credit

Year 4
Macy Credit

Year 5
Chase Merit
Sasha Merit

Year 6
Josie Merit

Science

Year 4
Macy Credit

Year 5
Chase Credit
Sasha Credit

Year 6
Josie Merit

Spelling Bee

Year 2
Lexi Distinction

Year 3
Henry Distinction

Year 4
Macy Distinction
Ruby Credit

Year 6
Cohen Merit

Writing

Year 3
Henry Credit

Year 4
Macy Distinction
Freya Credit

Year 6
Cohen Credit



Weeks 9 & 10
Positive Behaviour
for Learning focus....
Staying in the green

AECG Art Exhibition

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Art Exhibition will shine a light on the stories that are part of Worimi Dreaming (and stories of truth-telling from history within the Worimi community). It aims to encourage as many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as possible to engage, share and celebrate different aspects of Culture as part of the journey to the exhibition date. The exhibition during the NAIDOC period will be the end point but it is the journey to this time that holds the key to achieving our goal. Listening to Elders, visiting places of significance on Country, reading the literature available in books and online, and learning how to create stories through art will provide the opportunities for Cultural sharing and learning along the way. The event will be the culmination of learning with a particular focus for this year on stories through art. It involves a range of age groups across the community and depending on the age and experiences of the participants, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Art Exhibition would require participants to either share or strengthen their knowledge of those stories that are significant to the Worimi community.

The exhibition will provide a platform for our school communities and members of the wider community to learn about and celebrate the Culture and story of the Worimi people and nation through the stories they share. This exhibition will raise the awareness of non-indigenous visitors to the gallery of the rich Cultural knowledge, skills and history here on Worimi Country as we walk together towards Reconciliation. As a learning community of schools we support Brooke Stephens to apply for funds as a representative of the collaboration between the AECG, schools and community groups within the Worimi community.

At the start of 2023, there will be a launch of the official name of the exhibition and the artwork that will represent the collaborative work of this AECG project.

Signed on behalf of the Principals of Great Lakes Learning Community(GLLC) of Schools.

Mel Merchant

Principal

Pacific Palms Public

School Chair of GLLC