

FORSTER PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

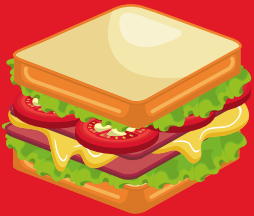


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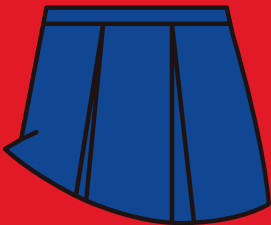
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DATES TO REMEMBER

30th May
Boys & Girls
PSSA Soccer

3 June
Do It For Dolly Day
(Wear Blue -
Gold Coin Donation)

9 June
Athletics Carnival
(Postponed from 2/6
due to wet ground)

13 June
Queens B'day
Public Holiday

5 August
Zone Athletics Carnival

PRINCIPALS REPORT - Mr Peter Johnson

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are well and truly into Term 2 now and have been as busy as ever over the last few weeks. Students in Yrs 3 and 5 sat the NAPLAN tests and our leaders recently enjoyed a day at Club Forster with GRIP Leadership talking about what an effective leader is at school and how they can position themselves to be the best leader they can.

Each year, like all NSW public schools, we can request contributions to enhance our educational and sporting programs. School contributions help provide additional educational resources for the benefit of students. Payment is voluntary. An agreement has been reached with the P&C about the level of the Voluntary Contribution being asked this year to help support programs run here at Forster Public School. The fees are \$35 per child or \$50 per family and go a long way to contributing to helping programs benefiting all students here at the school.

As the weather is getting colder, we are seeing more and more students coming to school each day in clothing that is not part of our school uniform. School uniforms promote a sense of belonging and unity and ensure each child is comfortable and safe for all the activities they do each day at school. The overwhelming majority of our students are coming dressed in full school uniform each day and it is fantastic to see. For the small minority of students who do not come to school in their correct uniform I look forward to seeing, with the support of families, a change in habit and full school uniform being worn consistently each day. Can I thank you in advance for your support with this.

I was very impressed to see our 'Hadley Helpers' in training today as they embark on their journey of being helpful to all students at our school. This is a great program, supported by our teachers which emphasises our school values of 'Safety', 'Respect' and 'Personal Best' across our school. These students are learning the importance of being ambassadors for our school and how to show others the right way to act at school.

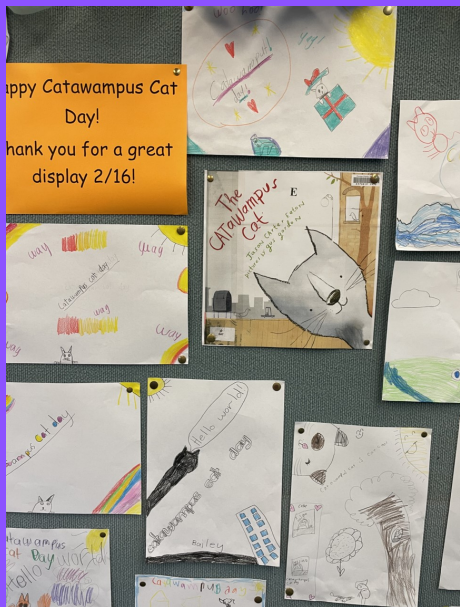
Take care

Kind Regards
Peter Johnson
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From the Library

Mrs Jodie Lednor - Teacher Librarian

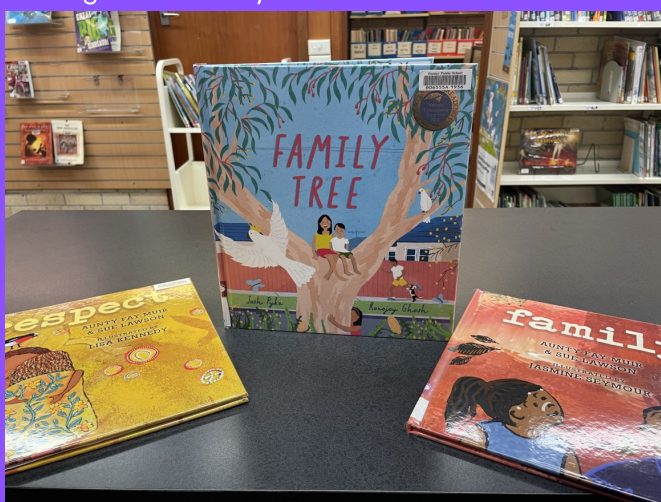
We've had some great library experiences in the past few weeks that we would like to share with our families. Students have been working hard on showing their understanding of the books we read during library sessions and in class, completing some great work including a display of posters advertising "Catawampus Cat Day"!



We have also been playing different games during break time on Gaming Thursdays, with a range of activities such as the marble run created by several students in a mighty collaborative effort.



Our school also participated in National Simultaneous Storytime today, celebrating reading books with the beautiful new book "Family Tree" by Josh Pyke and Ronojoy Ghosh. Classes were reading the book and completing activities at different times during the day, sharing and enjoying this special story and making connections with their own family trees. Thanks for participating in this valuable event, everyone! Thanks to one of our lovely teachers, Ms Green, for taking this picture of her class listening to the story.



Thursday 26 May is National Sorry Day, followed by National Reconciliation Week, and we will be continuing to read books and share stories which connect to our local and national community of learners.

Several members of our expanding group of Student Library Assistants are helping to locate books and set up our display for National Reconciliation Week, with plans to extend this further during the week. It's great to see so many students who are happy to support our library during their own time (and have fun too!).



GRIP Leadership Day

On Wednesday 25th May our leadership team and sports captains attended the GRIP Leadership conference at Club Forster. They had so much fun and learnt about the importance of great leadership and the positive impact leadership can have on others. We look forward to them sharing their ideas with other students and teachers at our school.



Netball

Last week the school netball team travelled to Boronia Park to compete in the first round of the PSSA Netball knockout competition.

The girls played extremely well against the Hallidays Point Public School team and won the game 28-11.

The team will now progress to the second round in the coming weeks.

Congratulations girls!



What's been happening in Room 33?

This term the students in room 33 are investigating physical sciences. The students are currently exploring reflection and refraction. After great discussion and experimentation, the students were challenged to create a Lego light maze that reflected light out the other side. The students were deeply engaged and are excited to learn more about light and electricity!



National Walk Safely to School Day

Friday 20th May marked National Walk Safely to School Day, an annual event that encourages all primary school aged children to walk and commute safely to school.

Families and staff from Forster Public School participated in the initiative by forming a walking-bus group from the Forster Aquatic Centre to the main school gates on Head Street, Forster. With several school buses safely dropping students off at the Aquatic Centre, and families who normally drop off at the school gates, joining the walking group staff and students were supported by Police from the Manning Great Lakes Police District and Manning Great Lakes Highway Patrol Command.

This event was used as an opportunity to educate and engage with some of our most vulnerable road users to promote road safety, health, public transport, and the environment.

To congratulate, and further promote Walk Safely to School Day, students were greeted by more members of staff and the Year Six school Leaders once at school. With all members of the Policing community staying on at the school, students had the opportunity to ask questions, explore a Police Highway vehicle, pose for photos and even, play a game or two of hand ball!

Thank-you to Senior Constable Dave Russell and Senior Constable Michael Reid for finishing our morning off with a Road Safety talk to all students, and to Forster Bus lines for the community support.

All students had a great morning, with the playground being a hype or excitement!





Last Friday the staff of Forster Public School Hosted a Biggest Morning Tea to support The Cancer Foundation. This is an annual event with the staff only not doing this during COVID. Staff donated prizes to the morning tea, and we also had three local business that supported our event. Thank you to Monin Seafoods who donated a generous seafood voucher, Farmers Patch who donated a delicious vegetable platter and also a beautiful fruit platter and Plunge who donated five coffee vouchers. Even though it rained it did not dampen the day. Staff were able to enjoy a lovely morning tea and had fun purchasing tickets in our raffle. The staff raised \$620.00, double the amount of last year. Next year we hope to do even better for this great cause.



Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight
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4 weeks



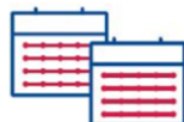
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Over **1** year missed

1 day per week
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8 weeks



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Over **2.5** years missed



Do It For Dolly Day

Go blue
Dress or decorate in blue, Dolly's favourite colour.

Be kind
A little kindness goes a long way.

Fundraise
Help support anti-bullying initiatives and programs.

#DoItForDollyDay #BeKind

Forster Public School will be taking part in the Do It For Dolly Fundraising Day on **Friday June 3, 2022.**

We are calling on you to help make Dolly's dream of a kinder, and safer world for all Australian kids and communities a reality, by turning our school into a sea of blue. Students are invited to wear blue in support of this cause; hats, crazy hair, socks, ribbons, tutus, pants, scarves.... get creative to show that we all take a stand against bullying. Please bring a coin donation on the day.

All funds raised will go to the Dolly's Dream organisation to help promote kindness and spread awareness about the impacts of bullying.

Students are reminded all clothing needs to be sun smart, respectful and enclosed shoes a must. No singlet tops or midriff tops.

PBL - Hadley Winners!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FOR DISPLAYING RESPECT, SAFETY AND THEIR PERSONAL BEST.



JHETT 2/16



WILLIAM 1/20



POPPIE 1/19



SLOANE 1/20

The Athletics Carnival will be postponed to Thursday 9th June dependent on the condition of the ground.

Fingers crossed for perfect weather



Week 6 Positive Behaviour for Learning focus.... Sportsmanship, Kindness & Gratitude.

2BOB's EnviroFair & MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

Saturday 11th June
9am - 4:30PM
Taree Park

Music Stage

++PLUS++
Australian Wildlife Display
10 :30am & 12:30 pm
Reptile Solutions Display
11:30 am & 1:30 pm
Roaming fun of Circartus!

10 am - Ian Papworth
11 am - Lorren Hill
12 am - Music Of Joy
1 pm - Luca Saunders
2 pm - Pam Hata
3pm - Raduga Trio

Speaker's Stage

9 am - Manning River Turtle Group
9:30 am - * Shorebird Conservation (Manning Coastcare) *
10 am - Aboriginal Ranger Program (TIDE)
10:30 am - Lazarka International Dance
11 am - Take 3 for the Sea
11:30 am - * Port Macquarie Koala Hospital *
12 pm - * Aussie Ark *
12:30 pm - Sundara Bellydance
1 pm - Wildlife Friend Gardening (FAWNA)
1:30 pm - Private Land Conservation (MC2T Landcare) *
2 pm - * Reduce, Reuse, Recycle (Mid Coast Council) *
2:30 pm - * Enviro-stories - Books by Schools for Enviro-Education
3 pm - Phillipino Dance Group

** Bring the whole family **

How to install the SkoolBag app

Instructions for parents and community

1. Get your favourite mobile device
2. Open the App Store/Play Store
3. Search for "SkoolBag"
4. Download the free app
5. Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users

for Android users



Pacific Palms ART FESTIVAL

At Pacific Palms Public School

YOUTH ART EXHIBITION

Open to all children age 5 - 16 years

Saturday 4th June ~ 2pm - 4pm
Sunday 5th June ~ 10am - 4pm

DOWNLOAD ARTIST ENTRY FORMS
AT PACIFIC PALMS ARTS INC WEBSITE
www.pacificpalmsartsinc.org.au/youth-art
Awards will be presented on Saturday 4th June at 2.30pm

Enquiries email: palmsartfestival@gmail.com
or contact Cath 0434 678 381

Exhibition Entry \$2 adult
children free

VISITORS ENTERING THE SCHOOL WILL NEED TO REGISTER USING THE SCHOOL VISITOR CHECK-IN CODE

Pacific Palms ART FESTIVAL

June Long Weekend
Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th June
at Pacific Palms Public School

Art EXHIBITION & SALE

Pre-purchase tickets for *Opening Night*
Friday 10th June 7pm - 10pm
\$45 per person - includes light supper & drinks
Tickets on Sale NOW online at www.pacificpalmsartsinc.org.au
Ticket numbers limited - **Get your tickets early!!**
Email enquiries: palmsartfestival@gmail.com or contact Cath 0434 678 381
Exhibition Open 10am - 4pm Sat & Sun Entry \$2 adults - children free

ARTIST ENTRY FORMS CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM OUR WEBSITE:
www.pacificpalmsartsinc.org.au/pacific-palms-art-festival
Funds raised go towards creative arts programmes at Pacific Palms Public School