

FORSTER PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

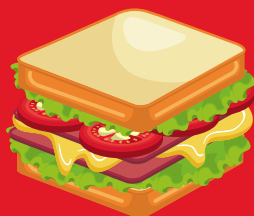


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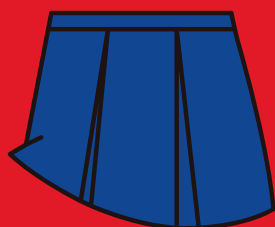
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DATES TO REMEMBER

1 Sep
Fathers Day Stall

2 Sep
Soccer Gala Day

5 Sep
Stage 2 Timbertown
Excursion

16 Sep
Netball Gala Day

PRINCIPALS REPORT - Mrs Alison Jenner

Dear Parents and Carers,

Education and Book Week Celebrations

A huge week of celebrations, achievements and bringing our school community together. Thank you for the wonderful support you gave your children when visiting for open day. It was so lovely to be able to welcome you all back on site to share in your child's learning. I spoke to many children who were so excited that their family came in to see what they do at school. This is such valuable time for your children and the impact on them will be lasting.

Hunter PSSA Athletics Carnival

Goodluck to our PSSA Athletics team today. An early start for them but I am sure that they will be ready to represent Forster Public School with pride and their personal best. We can't wait to hear how you all go today.

Check-in Assessments for Year 6

Year 6 students will be participating in Check-in Assessment in Week 8. Check-in assessments are online assessment for students in Years 3 to 9. There are two assessments: reading and numeracy.

The assessment can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs.

Principal's Report Cont..

"Aussie of the month"

The Aussie of the Month primary school civics and citizenship recognition program is delivered under the auspices of the Australia Day Council's National Network, which also delivers the Australian of the Year Awards.

Our school has been registered to present Aussie of the Month awards to encourage and recognise students for their contribution to community.

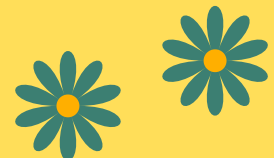
Students who are nominated and receive Aussie of the month will be invited to join a special morning tea with me and their families. I really look forward to this beginning in our school.

Tell Them From Me surveys Snapshot 2

Tell Them From Me is a suite of surveys used for measuring student engagement and wellbeing. The surveys can be used to capture student, parent, and teacher voices, providing reliable evidence for schools to use in identifying strengths and areas for improvement. These surveys will be opened in Week 8, and I would encourage families to complete those surveys as we continue to further identify the needs of our school with your assistance. Further information will come home next week.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and spend quality time with your families or friends. Take care.

Alison



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
 = **4** weeks  = Over **1** year missed

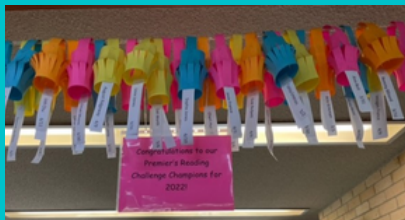
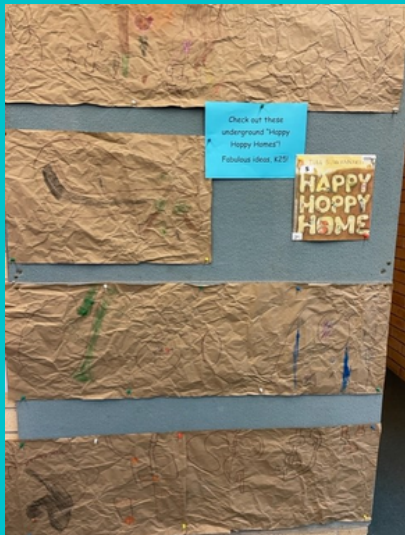
1 day per week
 = **8** weeks  = Over **2.5** years missed

From the Library

Mrs Jodie Lednor - Teacher Librarian



Wow! Busy times again in the library! We celebrated Science Week in Week 5, so classes in Early Stage 1 and Stage 2 explored the book "Happy Hoppy Home". Students designed homes for underground animals (and vegetables too!). K25 had a fabulous time creating an underground home display for the library, as seen below.



Our Student Library Assistants put together a special science book display, tidied the library and helped to organise our Student Library Assistant lanyards and name tags. They were placed in alphabetical order, of course!

The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) for 2022 finished on Friday 19th August. We have celebrated the people who have completed the PRC with a fabulous lantern display, created with the support of two of our Student Library Assistants Matilda and Ruby, with Felicity from Year 6, alongside our amazing library team. Thank you for all your great ideas! 70 students from Years 3-6 completed the challenge this year, and two from Year 2 completed the challenge independently. Well done, everyone, and we will announce details about the reward day in the coming weeks!



Book Week is a very busy time for our library, particularly when it is combined with Education Week! The Assembly on Tuesday went perfectly, with lots of wonderful performances showcasing the delightful abilities of our students, carefully nurtured by our lovely staff. Our hard-working students received their well-deserved education and library awards, with additional library borrower awards to be awarded to K-4 classes on Friday at the Book Week Parade.

The Teddy-Bear's Picnic followed the assembly, with lots of parents sharing their time and their picnic blankets with our students, making it a wonderful event. We are looking forward to the K-4 Book Week parade, which will be a first for many of our students. As a whole-school dress-up day, Friday promises to be a most interesting day for everyone! Thank you, families, for all your support, and a quick reminder that Issue 6 of Scholastic Book Club is going out this week, and is due back on Tuesday 6th September. Thanks again!

Book Week Parade (More pics soon!)



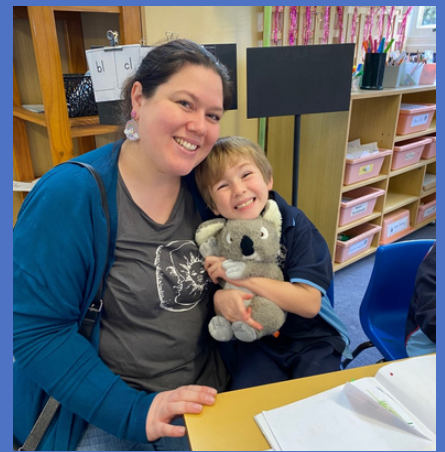
Shar Jem Gypsy Camel Trek

Our students in Stage 3 were captivated by the stories presented to us by the Shar Jem Camel Trekkers, who visited our school this week.

The trekkers walked with camels from Hermannsburg in the NT to Taree. They travelled over 2500kms. We were so grateful for their visit.



Education Week Open Day



PBL – Hadley Winners!

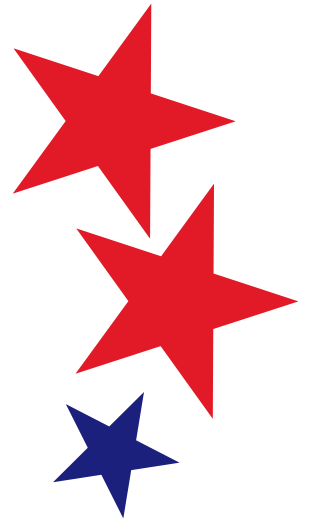
Congratulations to the following students for displaying respect, safety and their personal best.



Vincent & Cleo



Tully & Willow



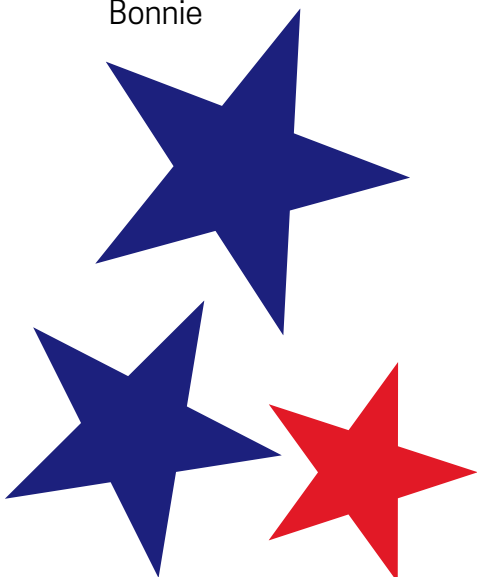
Bonnie



Evelyn



Lela



Rachael



AUSTRALIAN FUNDRAISING IS COMING TO OUR SCHOOL!

Australian Fundraising Specialists

Scholastic Book Club Issue 6
Orders due back by
Tuesday 6th September



FORSTER TRI CLUB ENQUIRIES 0437 655 458

ALL ABILITIES KIDS TRIATHLON

OPEN TO KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES KINDY THROUGH TO HIGH SCHOOL
06 NOVEMBER 2022

ENTRY \$10 - DRINK, SAUSAGE ROLL & MEDAL INCLUDED!

WHERE: YMCA, LAKE STREET, FORSTER
TIME: 8.30AM DROP OFF BIKE & MARK NAME OFF
START: 9AM KIDS WILL START IN CLASS GROUPS
COURSE: SWIM IN POOL, BIKE RIDE, RUN ON FIELD
WHAT TO BRING: SWIMMERS, GOGGLES, TOWEL, BIKE, HELMET, SHOES, SHIRT FOR BIKE AND RUN LEG
ON THE DAY REGISTRATIONS AVAILABLE

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Is your child starting kindergarten in 2023?

ENROLMENTS BEING ACCEPTED NOW

NSW Department of Education

COVID-smart measures for schools

Information for parents, carers and students

We know that being together in the classroom is the best thing for our students' learning, growth and welfare. This term we will continue to implement several measures to allow us to prioritise both the wellbeing of our students and a consistent and productive learning environment.

- Stay home if unwell**
 - If your child is unwell, you must keep them at home. If they are displaying even mild COVID-19 symptoms, they should take a COVID test (PCR or RAT) and isolate.
 - Your child should only return to school once they have returned a negative test and they are symptom free.
- Vaccinations**
 - Vaccinations for COVID-19 and flu are the best way of protecting yourself, your family and the community. Vaccination is a safe and effective way to give your immune system a helping hand against viral illnesses.
 - All eligible staff and students are strongly encouraged to keep up to date with their vaccinations to protect their health.
- Household and close contacts**
 - Students identified as household and close contacts can attend school providing the school is informed, they return a negative COVID-19 test result and wear a mask, except when eating/drinking or exercising (if in Year 7 and above) for 5 consecutive school days, and they do not attend high risk settings.
 - Students in schools for specific purposes and support units cannot attend school as a household or close contact and will be supported to learn remotely during their self-isolation.
- Rapid antigen testing**
 - Rapid antigen tests (RATs) should be used if your child is displaying even mild COVID-19 symptoms, or daily if they are attending school as a household or close contact.
 - If your child tests positive for COVID-19, they must not attend school until their isolation period finishes and they are symptom free. Positive rapid antigen test results must be registered with Service NSW.
 - If your child tests negative but is still showing symptoms they should not attend school until symptom free.
 - Staff and students will be provided with 1 multipack of 5 RAT kits by their school in early Term 3.
 - Schools will maintain a reserve stock of rapid antigen tests onsite for surveillance testing purposes in the event of an outbreak.
- Hygiene and cleaning**
 - Students are encouraged to regularly wash their hands with soap and water, and to use personal protective equipment as required.
 - Boosted day cleaning of schools will focus on high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas.

NSW GOVERNMENT



**Weeks 7 & 8 Positive Behaviour
for Learning focus...
Managing Big Emotions.**

**TEACHER SUPERVISION
DOES NOT START UNTIL
8:25AM**

**IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO ARRIVE
AT SCHOOL PRIOR TO THIS TIME,
PLEASE CONSIDER ENROLLING
THEM IN ACTIVE OOSH TO ENSURE
THEY HAVE APPROPRIATE CARE
(& LOTS OF FUN!) BEFORE
SUPERVISED HOURS START.
BREAKFAST IS ALSO INCLUDED!**

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