

# FORSTER PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**12 Oct**  
Colour Run  
Parent Volunteer Meeting  
5.30pm Staffroom

**17-18 Oct**  
K - 2 Incursion  
Old MacDonalds Farm

**20 Oct**  
School Colour Fun Run

**23 Oct - 3 Nov**  
Year 2 Intensive Swimming

**25-26 Oct**  
State Athletics

**6 - 17 Nov**  
Year 3 Intensive Swimming

**8 Nov**  
School Spec Rehearsal

**21 - 24 Nov**  
School Spectacular

**6 Dec**  
Year 6 Farewell  
**7 Dec**  
Stage 1 End of Year Concert

**8 Dec**  
Presentation Day

**15 Dec**  
Last day for students

## PRINCIPALS REPORT - Mrs Alison Jenner

I trust this newsletter finds you well and that you've had a restful break during the school holidays. Welcome back and get ready because Term 4 is set to be a whirlwind of activities, learning, and fun! We have a jam-packed schedule lined up, filled with events that will enrich our students' academic and personal growth. From special projects to exciting extracurricular activities, there's something for everyone.

### Key Highlights This Term

- School Colour Fun Run
- Check-in Assessments (Year 3,4 and 5)
- Old MacDonalds Farm visit (K-2)
- Year 2 and Year 3 Swimming programs
- Transition programs for Kindergarten and Year 6 students
- Semester Two Reports
- End of year activities

### Stay Connected with School Bytes

To stay updated on all the exciting happenings, be sure to follow our social media channels as we'll be sharing highlights, photos, and important announcements throughout the term.

We are thrilled to announce the launch of the School Bytes Parent Portal—a user-friendly platform designed to streamline communication and enhance your interaction with Forster Public School. This portal will serve as a central hub for all permission notes, payments, and essential information.

### Key Features:

#### 1. Permission Slips:

No more paper forms! You can now provide electronic consent for various school activities and events through the Parent Portal. It's a hassle-free way to stay updated on upcoming excursions, special events, and more. Please note that all permission notes will now be posted through this platform.

#### 2. Secure Payments:

Effortlessly make payments for school fees, excursions, and other expenses through our secure online payment system. It's a convenient and efficient way to manage your child's financial needs.

#### 3. Important Information:

Access important updates, announcements, and school information at your fingertips. Stay informed about school events, policies, and other crucial details to ensure a smooth academic journey for your child.

Principal's Report continued...

### **Your Involvement Matters**

We encourage parents and carers to actively participate in their child's educational journey. Your support and involvement make a significant difference. Whether it's volunteering for an event, attending parent-teacher conferences, or simply engaging in conversations with your child about their day, your contribution is invaluable. Term 4 will be marked by special events and assemblies, where students will showcase their talents, creativity, and teamwork. These moments are not only a source of pride for our students but also a chance for our school community to come together and celebrate.

### **Preparations for Year-End Celebrations**

As we approach the end of the term, we will begin preparations for our year-end celebrations. Stay tuned for details on our school presentation day, Year 6 farewell, gold assembly, student leadership elections for 2024 and Stage Party days.

While Term 4 is undoubtedly filled with activities, we want to assure you that the well-being and academic progress of your child remain our top priorities. Should you have any questions or concerns throughout the term, our dedicated team of educators and support staff is here to assist.

Wishing you a fantastic term ahead!

*Alison*



## Top Nutrition = Top Marks

Welcome to SWAP IT!

SWAP IT supports you to make informed choices about your child's health and wellbeing. Good nutrition leads to greater wellbeing for your child and can even have a positive impact on how well they do in class.

One swap from a sometimes food to an everyday food can make a big difference.

Here are some great ideas you can swap today:

- Cake to scone.
- Chips to popcorn.
- Juice to plain milk.

**SWAP FROM**



Chocolate cake



**SWAP TO**



Fruit scone

You will receive weekly tips and ideas about healthy swaps you can make!



## **Weeks 1 & 2 Positive Behaviour for Learning focus....**

**We are safe and respectful  
by following playground expectations**

# Wk 10 Term 3 Visit to Baptist Care Kularoo Aged Care Centre

There was a beautiful buzz of excitement as K-22 got dressed in their princess and prince costumes all ready to perform for the residents at the Baptist Care Kularoo Aged Care Centre.

We boarded the bus along with the Primary choir ready to showcase our talents. For some it was their very first trip on a bus! We arrived and were greeted by a lovely audience with humongous smiles on their faces.

First up the choir sung an old favourite "You are my sunshine", accompanied by Choir teacher Mrs. Henderson on guitar. It was emotional to see many residents with tears in their eyes, possibly from connecting with memories they hold dear or simply by just how beautifully the choir sung. There's a great chance it could have been both! The choir followed this classic with a modern track by family country trio Brooke McClymont, Adam Eckersley and Tiggy; "Star of the Show".

Next it was our Kindergarten class K-22's turn. The students had been practicing relentlessly on their dance for the kindergarten concert. They danced to "Feel this moment" in reference to the fairy tale Cinderella. There were a lot of 'awws' at the sight of the kids all dressed up and amazed faces by residents that they could remember so many dance moves. There was a huge round of applause for both K22 and the primary choir.

We finished our visit by sharing some story books with the residents. Many of K22 students were even brave enough to read some of their decodable reader texts to the residents.

This is an experience that we know all involved will cherish and hold dear for many years to come.

Miss J





# Urgent

A reminder to have your School Bytes Parent Portal up and running this week. Beginning in Week 2 all notes and information will go home via this method.

Download the App today. Please contact the office if you are having any difficulties and we will be happy to help you.

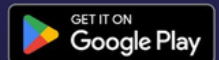
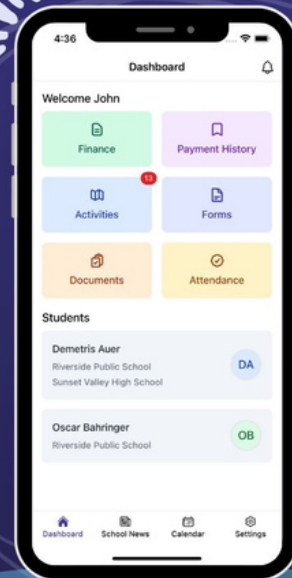


## School Bytes Parent App

Available now!

### Key Features

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts
- View the school calendar and news



## Do you have a child starting Kinder in 2024?

Kinder Orientations are starting very soon! (Week 4 from 30th Oct onwards). Don't miss these important transition sessions. Call the school today to organise your enrolment on 6555 6766 or enrol online at our Forster Public School website.



## EVENT SCHEDULE

### 11.30AM-1.00PM COLOUR RUN (BACK FIELD)

#### WHAT TO WEAR

STUDENTS SHOULD COME TO SCHOOL WEARING WHITE OR LIGHT SUN SAFE CLOTHING TO GET THE MOST COLOURFUL EXPERIENCE!  
ALWAYS REMEMBER TO SLIP SLOP SLAP!

#### WHAT TO PACK

- \*WATER BOTTLE
- \*HAT+SUNSCREEN
- \*CHANGE OF CLOTHES+PLASTIC BAG
- \*TOWEL
- \*SUNGLASSES IF PREFERRED

### 1.15PM FAMILY PICNIC ( FRONT AREA)

FAMILIES WILL MEET STUDENTS AT THE FRONT PICNIC AREA AND CAN SET UP CHAIRS/PICNIC RUGS AND ENJOY LUNCH TOGETHER!

THERE WILL ALSO BE A COFFEE VAN ON SITE AND THE P+C WILL HAVE ICYPOLES/SAUSAGE SIZZLES/POPPERS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE ON THE DAY ASWELL.

WE HOPE AS MANY FAMILIES WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND AND CELEBRATE THIS SPECIAL DAY!



## Registrations Now Open!

### Registration Fee: \$70

Pinkie: \$25 Cap: \$15

Note: Due to the change in the Active Kids Voucher value we are unable to offer an Active Kids Pack.



First Day Of Nippers Is:  
**Sunday 15th October**

Colour Run Parent Volunteer Meeting  
12th October - 5.30pm Staffroom

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## TAREE BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Home of the Taree Tornadoes

Want to play basketball? Our qualified Coaches are ready to teach you how to play & improve your skills.

### TUESDAY

4pm - Aussie Hoops, 5-9yrs learning to play  
4:45pm – Under 10's (born 2014 or later)

### THURSDAY

4pm - Girls Under 12s (born 2013/2014)  
& Boys Under 12s (born 2013/2014)

Free trial session first! Annual player registration costs and weekly game fees apply.

Check out Facebook "Taree Basketball" for more information or to ask questions.

