

FORSTER PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

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

21 - 24 Nov
School Spectacular

6 Dec
Year 6 Farewell

PRINCIPALS REPORT - Mrs Alison Jenner

As we approach the end of another exciting term at Forster Public School, it is with great pleasure that I write to you today to reflect on the wonderful journey we've shared over the past ten weeks. The term has been nothing short of exhilarating, filled with enriching experiences and memorable moments.

Education Week: Celebrating Excellence in Education

We kicked off the term with Education Week, a time when we celebrated 175 years of public education. It was a week filled with creativity, innovation, and a deep appreciation for learning.

Book Week: Read Grow Inspire

Book Week was another highlight, where we unleashed the power of imagination and the joy of reading. Our students' enthusiasm for books was truly heartwarming. The costumes and activities during the book week parade were a testament to their love for stories, and it was fantastic to see them engaged in the world of literature.

Excursions for Stage Two and Three students

The Canberra and Sunny's farm excursions were a remarkable experience for our students. The educational value of these trips was immense, and I am certain that the memories created will last a lifetime.

Special visitors

Not only did we host visits from the Relieving Deputy Secretary Mr Martin Graham, Brooke McClymont, Adam Eckersley and Tiggy, Forster Public School welcomed parents for our Aussie of the month celebrations each month, reading workshops, Dolly's Dream E-learning workshops, and parent sessions, NAPLAN sessions for parents, GOLD assemblies, Open day, and the Variety Club Bash cars on their way through Forster.

Sporting achievements for the term

Forster Public School was represented in many sporting events this term including Tahlia who was a flag bearer for the FIFA Women's World Cup, Logan and Hunter who attended the Hunter Golf trials, Tahlia who was accepted into the NSW Education Arts Unit State Dance Ensemble, numerous students competing at the Hunter Region Athletics Carnival, the Todd Woodbridge Cup at Kendall and more recently the Gala Netball Day at Boronia Park.

Special days

Also celebrated in the term were those special days such as Father's Day, SASS Appreciation Week, National Child Protection Week, National Day Against Bullying and who can forget the day we cheered so loudly for the mighty Matilda's.

I would like to take this moment to express my sincere gratitude to our dedicated teachers, staff, and parent volunteers who made these events possible. Your unwavering support and commitment to our students' growth and development are truly appreciated.

Principal's Report cont'

As we head into the upcoming break, I encourage you all to take some time to relax and recharge. Spend quality time with your loved ones, read a good book, and explore the world around you. It's important for both students and parents to find balance in their lives.

Thank you for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. We are proud to have such a vibrant and engaged school community, and I am eager to see what the next term will bring.

Bushfire Safety

You may already be aware that the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) declared continuance in the [El Niño alert](#), meaning increasingly warm temperatures are predicted to continue throughout spring and at least until early 2024.

This means that schools and school communities across the state, whether coastal or inland, must remain vigilant and prepared as we enter the warmer months.

The best way for you and your family to do this is to ensure you are familiar with the new warning alerts from the [NSW SES](#) for floods, storms and tsunamis, as well as the new Australian Fire Danger Rating system from the [NSW Rural Fire Service](#).

How to stay up to date with weather warnings?

The Australian Warning System (AWS) is a national approach to information and warnings during emergencies like bushfire, flood, storm, extreme heat and severe weather.

The [Hazards Near Me NSW app](#), which replaced the NSW Fires Near Me app, is the best place to view live warnings using the AWS. The app allows you to set watch zones to make it easier to be alerted for emergencies near you.

We would like to take the opportunity to encourage you to download the [NSW Education Parent app](#) which will provide you with information on our school and also alert you when the school is required to become non-operational due to an emergency or weather event impacting our school.

Wishing you all a safe and restful break. Students return to school on Monday 9th October 2023.

Alison



Weeks 1 & 2 (Term 4)

Positive Behaviour

for Learning focus....

We are safe and respectful
by following playground expectations

From the Library

Mrs Jodie Lednor
Teacher Librarian

As Term 3 comes to an end, we are planning our Premier's Reading Challenge Crazy Sock Day and Retro Tea Party award for Stage 2 and 3, which is planned for Thursday, Week 10. Congratulations to the 77 students in Years 3-6 who completed the challenge individually and are invited to the party! Ms Reed, Mrs Dickson and I worked hard to decorate the library with lots of crazy socks (one for each student who completed the challenge independently), and the beautiful colouring in entries for the Book Week Competition.

We also had 10 classes from K-2 finish the challenge, which is the greatest number of classes for our school for at least the last 4 years. Well done to our amazing teachers and students, who are reading and listening to lots of terrific books. All students who have completed the challenge either individually or in a class will receive a certificate from the Premier's office in Term 4, which is very exciting!

Our structured play time in the library continues to be a very popular place at lunchtime, where students have lots of fun colouring in, reading and creating crafty activities, including the cone animals we can see in the photos. We are already planning a colouring in competition for Term 4, with the theme of "Space" and an award for each Stage planned.

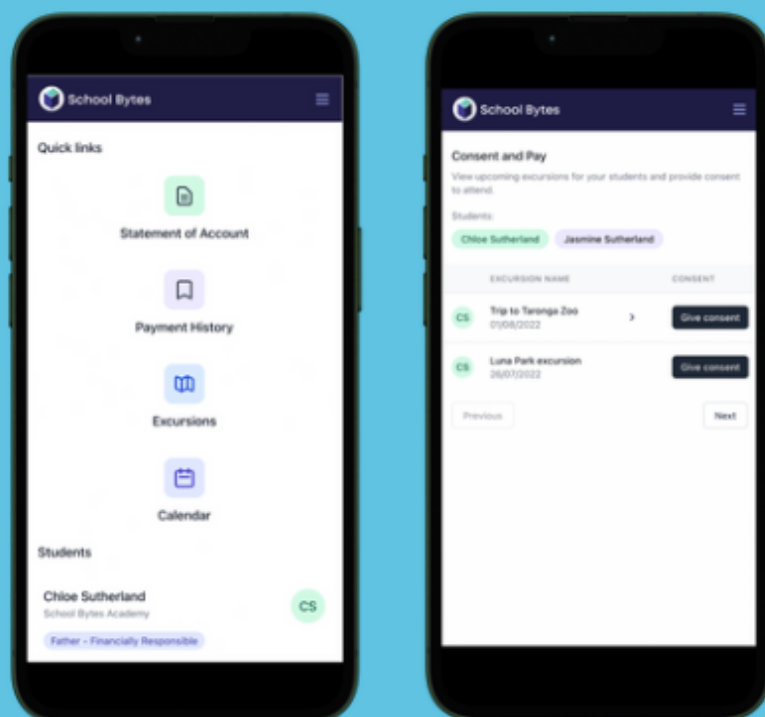
Don't forget to return those overdue books, especially our Year 6 students! If you have lost or damaged books, we ask that you replace each book with the same book, or pay the replacement cost for a new book. Please contact the Library team if you have any problems with this. Thanks again for your support when purchasing books from Scholastic Book Club, and we are anticipating Issue 5 catalogues to be delivered very early in Term 4. Remember: books make great gifts!!



URGENT

PLEASE SET UP YOUR PARENT PORTAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

We are excited to announce that Forster Public School has transitioned to a more flexible and simplified way parent/carers can make payments.



The Parent Portal

- Easily make a payment online
- Download your receipt
- Sign and return permission notes digitally
- Use any credits on your account to make payment
- View your complete payment history
- Request a refund



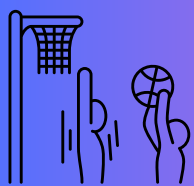
School Bytes

No paper notes will be sent
home from Term 4 onwards

Register for the Parent Portal via the
QR Code or visit
<https://portal.schoolbytes.education>



Netball Gala Day



AP Green Day



Coming Soon...



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SCHOOL FUN RUN

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Kindy Concert





CELEBRATING
40
YEARS

SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR

FABULOUS

24-25 NOV 2023

QUDOS BANK ARENA










40 YRS OF SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR - 175 YRS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION



Scouts

NSW



Join Scouts!

The 1st Forster-Tuncurry Scout Group is your local group. We are a group of passionate leaders and youth who love adventure and the outdoors. See our section meeting times below or contact us for more information.



1st Forster-Tuncurry
Scout Group





Scan the QR Code to register and join our group

Joey Unit Thursday 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm
Cub Unit Monday 5.00 pm to 6.30 pm
Scout Unit Thursday 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm
Venturer Unit Tuesday 6.30pm to 8.30pm

For more information:

1800 SCOUTS

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IN Neptune's Lounge

THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
WEDNESDAY 27 SEPT & WEDNESDAY 04 OCTOBER
FROM 3PM

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JUNIOR CRICKET 1

AGES UNDER 10-11
2 HOURS

- Short, action-packed games played in under two hours.
- Smaller team sizes offer everyone more opportunities to bat, bowl and field.
- Play on a shorter pitch for more consistent ball delivery and skill development.
- A fun, welcoming and inclusive environment.



JUNIOR CRICKET 2

AGES UNDER 12-13
2-3 HOURS

- Short, action-packed games played in under three hours.
- Improve your technical cricket skills with a longer pitch & wider boundaries.
- Develop your teamwork in a friendly competition.
- Smaller team sizes offer everyone more opportunities to bat, bowl, field.
- A fun, welcoming and inclusive environment.



JUNIOR CRICKET 3

AGES UNDER 14-18
2.5-4 HOURS

- Short, action-packed games played in under four hours.
- Refine your technical cricket skills with a full length pitch and wider boundaries.
- Develop your teamwork in a friendly competition.
- A fun, welcoming and inclusive environment.



JOIN YOUR NEAREST CLUB

Great Lakes Junior Cricket Club

Registrations via the link below:

<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/tbief74>

Season commences: Sat 14-October

Questions?

Email: greatlakesjcc@gmail.com



Q Play Cricket



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PROGRAM

I AM A
GIRL
I CAN DO
ANYTHING
COME
N
TRY

SPECIAL GUEST:
Isla Juffermans

GIRLS BASKETBALL

IT'S FUN & FREE

Tuesday 3rd October

4.5 - 9yrs: 1 - 2pm (Come & Try)

10-18yrs: 2:15 - 4pm (Come & Play 3x3)

Taree Iron Arena
Cnr Bligh St & Recreation Drive

SIGN UP NOW

www.bnsw.com.au/i-am-a-girl



BASKETBALL NSW



**Have a happy and
safe holiday!**

**Students first day
back at school is
Monday 9th October**