

Learn to Live

Term 4, Week 2 (19th October, 2017)

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

OCTOBER 2017 - Term 4

9 Sep to 29 Oct	Operation Art Exhibition Armory Gallery @ Sydney Olympic Park
Thur 19	Blue Gum Lodge - Stage 2
Fri 20	Blue Gum Lodge - Stage 2
Sat 21	Family Bush Dance 5-7:30pm
Wed 25	Kindy Transition Group B, Session 5
Thu 26	Pizza Day
Fri 27	Jump Off Day Summer Games Book Club Due (Online Only)
Sat 28	Celebration Sing Out Rehearsal @ Granville P.S
Sun 29	Celebration Sing Out

NOVEMBER 2017

Wed 1	Kindy Transition Group A, Session 6
Fri 3	Twilight Markets Summer Games - back-up
Wed 8	Kindy Transition Group B, Session 6
Tue 14	Pulse Rehearsal
Wed 15	Kindy Transition Group A, Session 7
Thu 16	Pulse Concert Stage 1 Wanderers Clinic
Fri 17	Stewart House clothing donation bags due back
Mon 20	P&C Meeting
Wed 22	Kindy Transition Group B, Session 7

Principal: Mrs C Frith

Assistant Principal Stage 1: Mrs K Jansons

Assistant Principal Stage 2: Mrs N Bridges, Miss Theoharis (Relieving)

Assistant Principal Stage 3: Mr P Earl

Notes Home



- ◆ Pulse Choir
- ◆ Family Bush Dance (tickets on sale every morning)
- ◆ Book Club Brochure (Online payments only)
- ◆ Summer Games (selected students only)
- ◆ Year 6 graduation bear/soccer ball order note

Assembly Dates

Fridays commencing 11.30am

October 20	K-2 Assembly
October 27	3-6 Assembly
November 3	K-2 Assembly
November 10	K-6 Assembly

School Activities Update

Kitchen Garden Classes - Term 4

Monday - KCL, KW, K/1B

Sport Days - Fridays

K-2 (9.55 - 10.55)

3-4 (12.25 - 1.25)

5-6 (1.55 - 2.55)



PE Days (sports uniform)

Wednesday - Stage 1

Tuesday - Stage 2

Monday - Stage 3

Library Days

Monday: 1/2K, 3/4M, KCL, K/1B

Tuesday: 3/4P, 1/2H, 3/4BC

Thursday: 4/5T, 5/6ZD, 5/6T, 1/2L

Friday: 1/2S, KW

Music

Monday: KCL, KW, K/1B, 1/2H, 1/2S

Tuesday: 4/5T, 5/6ZD, 5/6T

Wednesday: 1/2K, 3/4BC, 3/4P, 3/4M, 1/2L



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Email: faulconbri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Access student portal: <http://portal.det.nsw.edu.au>

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A very big thank you to the students, staff, parents and members of the wider school community for making me feel so welcome at Faulconbridge Public School. I feel very privileged to be selected to lead this vibrant school community over the coming years. Already I can see that our school is a dynamic learning environment for our students, and the enthusiasm and commitment of the staff is outstanding. It is a very busy school.

I have been visiting classrooms to get to know the students. I have been impressed by their willingness and confidence to engage in conversations in the classroom and the playground. I will be meeting with each staff member to get to know them over the next few weeks.

It is a challenge to start at a different school at this time of the school year. We are beginning our evaluation of the 2015-2017 School Plan, and there will opportunities in the coming weeks for parents and community members to participate in the process. In particular we will be discussing our ongoing vision for Faulconbridge Public School, and the common values and beliefs that underpin that vision. Please watch for information in the next newsletter about these opportunities.

Tell Them From Me Survey

Thank you to all the parents who have taken the time to complete the Tell Them From Me Partners in Learning Survey over the last few weeks. Your feedback is invaluable in the evaluation and planning processes we are undertaking.

Book Character Parade

Last Friday morning was a fabulous celebration of childrens' literature as students and staff participated in the Book Character parade. A range of characters were represented from Dr Seuss, Roald Dahl, Tim Winton, Enid Blyton, and Roger Hargraves to name a few - and that was just by the staff! It was lovely to see so many children involved. Thank you to the parents, whose endless creativity is put to the test each year to make the costumes. Mrs McKay and the library monitors were a great team in the organisation and planning. Thanks to Mr Thomson for performing the Master of Ceremonies duties on the day with such style.

The Blackboard Cafe

I am particularly impressed by the Blackboard Cafe every Wednesday and Friday at our school. It is a wonderful initiative of the P&C and adds to the friendly, inclusive atmosphere of the school. I love the way students, parents and grandparents are involved. Thank you to the many volunteers behind the scenes whose organisation makes this initiative run so well. I am a huge fan of the latte and sourdough!

Ongoing maintenance

Last Friday we had a roofing contractor come to school to inspect the roofing on several of our school buildings. Making the best use of modern technology, he used a drone to photograph the tiles. This is much safer than climbing onto each building individually. The contractor will be preparing a report for Department's Asset Unit. We await the outcome of this report.

Administration

Please ensure that all money is handed in at the office before school. It makes for a smoother start to the day for students and teachers when this is done before school. It also helps our office staff to process payments efficiently. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Principal's Report Continued...

Stage 2 Camp

I am looking forward to visiting our campers at the end of the week, as they go to Bluegum Lodge on Thursday and Friday. This is an exciting and important experience for students, and is step towards developing independence. I am sure there will be many stories told at the dinner table on Friday night about the events and activities at camp. Thank you to Miss Theoharis and the Stage 2 team for their organisation and commitment to ensuring a positive experience for the students.

AWARDS:

Students are given 'Cub Awards' to provide them with immediate recognition of positive behaviours. The following students are to be congratulated for showing Safe, Respectful and/or positive Learning behaviours throughout our school:

Week 1	Jacque S (3/4M)	Kaiya P (3/4M)	Jack R (1/2S)	Miah T. (1/2K)	Thomas D (1/2H)	Sarah Q (1/2L)
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Mrs Carol Frith

Principal

Congratulations Hunor

I was very proud to attend this year's NSW Minister's Awards for Excellence in Student Achievement. Our very own Hunor Peterffy received a Highly Commended Award for his commitment and success in his study of Hungarian at his Community Language School. His Hungarian language teachers, family and I were all very excited and proud to watch Hunor receive his award at the University of NSW.

Paul Thomson



SPELLING BEE:

Congratulations to Lily Q. and Ella H. from Stage 2, and Emma H. and Starsan A. from Stage 3 for doing our school proud at last term's Regional Spelling Bee. Competing at this level is a significant achievement. Well done!'

Peter Earl
Stage 3 Assistant Principal



Faulconbridge Primary School

Family Bush Dance

Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles and Cousins welcome too!

5:00 - 7:30 pm
Saturday 21st of October
\$5.00 per person
\$20.00 (max) per family
 Tickets will be sold before school
 at the canteen.

Sausage Sizzle and refreshments
 will be available to buy on the night.
 Funds raised will go towards year 6 gift to the school.

Dress up for a photo!
 There will be a barn dance themed set up
 and Grace's Mum ready to create fun
 photos for you. For \$5:00, 2 photos will
 be emailed to you to use as you like!



Children to be accompanied by an adult. Alcohol free venue.

Farewell from Mr Renwick

I finished my time teaching class music at Faulconbridge at the end of the term 3. It has been a great pleasure working with such talented and welcoming staff and students! For any students aged 8 and up who would like even more music in their lives, I will now be assisting musical director Catriona McKay with the Springwood branch of the Blue Mountains Youth Choir. We meet on Monday afternoons and combine with a group from Katoomba for regular concerts and workshops. For more information, see www.academysingers.com.au.

Mr James Renwick



Blue Mountains Youth Choir
‘Inspiration through music’
Springwood & Katoomba

Harmony
Technique
Workshops
Improvisation
Sight-Singing
Performances

Mondays & Wednesdays
After School
Sessions
Ages 8-15

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THANK YOU



A very big thank you to all those who volunteered their time and energy at our last school working bee.



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to make tasty tabouli.

Serves: 6 | Preparation: 10mins | Cooking: 30-60mins

Ingredients

- ½ cup uncooked bulgar*
- 2 cups reduced-salt chicken or vegetable stock, hot
- 2 bunches Italian flat leaf parsley, chopped
- 1 bunch mint, chopped
- 3 shallots, chopped
- 3 Roma tomatoes, chopped
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 2 tbsp lemon juice

Method

1. In a large bowl, pour the boiling stock over the bulgur. Let sit for 30-60 minutes until softened and then strain through a fine mesh sieve. Cool.
2. Combine the bulgur, parsley, mint, shallots and tomatoes in a large bowl. In a small bowl, combine the olive oil, lemon juice and pinch of salt. Pour over the bulgur mix and toss to mix well.

* Bulgar is a cereal made from whole wheat partially boiled then dried. It can be substituted with couscous or quinoa.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.



Book Club



This will be the last Book Club for the year.

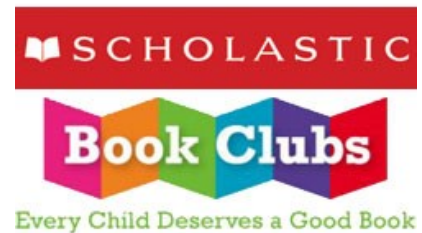
If you're wishing to make a purchase from the current issue please place **ALL** orders online with the Loop System.

All orders to be in by Friday 27th October.

All items purchased earn bonus points which in turn can be used to obtain valuable books for our school.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Annette Reynolds



Book Club **LOOP** for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



SUPPLIES NEEDED



The art room has many, many crayons and they currently live in a big box and are a bit of a shambles. I am hoping to sort them into individual colours for easier use. If you are having take-away over the weekend (eg Chinese, Thai) could you please save the containers and send them in to Mr McDonald so that I can make the crayons more accessible and usable for the students.

Thank you



OPERATION ART 2017



It is my pleasure to inform you that students' artworks entered by **Krystal W, Zara N, Tarana S** and **Hannah W** of Faulconbridge Public School will be exhibited at The Armory Gallery, Sydney Olympic Park from the 9 September - 29 October, 2017.

The exhibition is open daily from 10am - 4pm free entry.

More than 10 000 visitors are expected to view Operation Art 2017 with many students and teachers from across Sydney attending specialist visual arts workshops during the exhibition period, including a staff development day. If you would like further information, please visit www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au and follow the links to Visual Arts.

Faulconbridge Choir Sing for Music Therapy

Our choir will again sing in Celebration Sing Out at Sydney Town Hall on Sunday 29th October to raise funds for the Music Therapy Unit at Westmead Children's Hospital.

Music Therapy is now a vital part of the treatment of children receiving chemotherapy and radio therapy in the Oncology Unit, but receives no funding from the government.

Over 25 years, this concert has raised \$500,000 for the Children's Hospital, and in recent years all money raised has been devoted to Music Therapy.

Please support our students as they sing with 1,000 primary, secondary and adult singers, a symphony orchestra and the mighty Town Hall organ.

Tickets \$40, \$30 Concession, \$110 family of 4, available from celebrationsingout.iwannaticket.com.au

Many thanks,

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The Collegiate of Specialist Music Educators
presents
CELEBRATION SING OUT!



🎵 Massed Primary, Secondary & Community Choirs 🎵
🎵 TOPS Symphony Orchestra & The Town Hall Organ 🎵

Requiem Choruses – Mozart
Anvil Chorus from Il Trovatore – Verdi
Evening Prayer and Dream Sequence from Hansel and Gretel – Humperdinck
Beatles Medley – Fool on the Hill, When I'm 64, Eleanor Rigby,
Let it Be, Get Back, Imagine
Jerusalem – Parry

Primary Choir: I Vow to Thee My Country, Flooding Rains, Here Comes the Sun,
Fields of Gold, We Will, Corner of the Sky, Hallelujah

Sunday 29th October at 7pm, Sydney Town Hall

All proceeds to the Music Therapy Unit, The Children's Hospital at Westmead

Bookings iwannaticket.com.au
Tickets \$40, Concession \$30, Family \$110

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www.csme.org.au





Faulco PS P&C

Twilight Markets

The Annual Twilight Markets are fast approaching! Notes went home last week for volunteers to help us on the night - we would love as little or as much time as you can manage! Thank you to those parents & teachers who have already volunteered their time & if anyone else would like to help out to please send an email to fundraising@fppspandc.org.au or have your child return to note to the office.

All raffle tickets (sold or unsold) are due back at the school by Monday 30 October & every student who returns their tickets has the chance to win a prize of their own! All Prizes will be drawn on Market night between 6pm - 9pm & winners do not have to be present on the night to win! Remember you have to be in it to win it!! If you would like extra raffle tickets, please see the lovely people at the Blackboard Café on a Wednesday or Friday morning.

Good luck & thank you so much for your ongoing support!

P&C Treasurer

After many years of dedicated service, our P&C Treasurer, Simon Ebbeling, has decided to hang up the balance at the end of the year. The P&C Committee and those that have served on previous committees with Simon, I'm sure, would love to pass on their warmest thanks for his years and years of wonderful service. Simon would like to hand the job over to someone as keen on the task as he has been so if you would like to consider the role give Simon a call on Mobile 0407 932 475 and have a chat or talk with Sarah in the cafe.



Blackboard Cafe:

Family Bush Dance Menu

Sausage Sizzle
\$3

Brownie \$2

Watermelon 50c

Popcorn 50c

Cookiesies 50c

Cans \$2

Poppas \$1

Sippah Straw \$1

Ice coffee/
chocolate \$3

Espresso \$3.50

Hot Chocolate
\$3.50

Assorted cakes &
slices also on
sale!

New School Banking rewards now available!

The new Term 4 rewards with a Future Savers theme being the pencil case and ear phones are now available. The rewards from last term being the handball and emoji key ring are still available, while stocks last!



You can download a rewards card at the below link.

<https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html>

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit). All funds raised go towards building the school's math resources.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](https://www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

See you under the Big Top on Friday.

The Banking Ladies



Register today!

SPRINGWOOD SWIMMING CLUB

Established 1963.

Registration now open for 2017/2018.

We are a family friendly local club that caters for swimmers of all ages and abilities. Race nights are held at 6.45pm every

Thursday in summer, and fortnightly in winter at Springwood Aquatic Centre. 25m events are included every race night, and less confident swimmers can use flotation devices.



New members are invited to come along to
TWO FREE trial club nights.

Junior Dolphins (swimmers 7 and under) **register FREE***

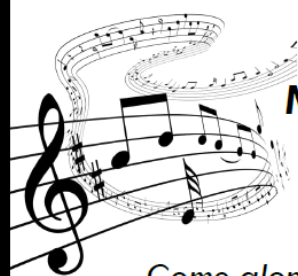
Registration Fees for 2017/2018 are \$100* per swimmer and \$21 per non-swimmer for year round swimming. Club BBQ available on race nights.

For more information or to register please visit: www.springwoodswimmingclub.com.au
or email us: info@springwoodswimmingclub.com.au

**Each Under 18 swimmer or family is required to register either one adult swimmer or non-swimmer.*

Do you play a musical instrument?

trumpet trombone french horn
tuba drums flute oboe clarinet
saxophone euphonium percussion



You are invited to: Mountains Youth Band Open Rehearsal

When: Tuesday 21st November

Where: Uniting Church Hall, Lucasville Rd, Glenbrook

Time: 5:15 to 7:00pm

Come along with your instrument and play some music with our band.
All music and stands will be provided. Bring a friend!



For more information contact Germaine 0431 953 217
or email mountainsyouthband@gmail.com

Faulconbridge Cricket Club is entering junior teams in the Thursday night competition using the T20 - 7 a side junior format new to cricket in Australia this summer.

More balls and more chances to score runs and have fun. Games are finished within 2 hours and every player is given the same time to bat and bowl.

Season starts early November and concludes in March. There are no games during the school holidays.

Ages 10-12 girls and boys

To entice players and start them on the junior pathway, we will be running free come and try sessions on Thursday afternoons on the oval at Faulconbridge Public for the first 4 weeks of Term 4. All gear is supplied. Please bring hat and water.

Sessions will be from 3-4pm starting with a skills practice followed by a game.

From Thursday 12th Oct – 2nd Nov. 3-4pm

For further information please contact Ian Strudwick 0447 267 097



Creative Workshops



BLUE MOUNTAINS
Artfest

Saturday 11th November

1-2pm Illustrating Workshop by Tohy Riddle \$20 for Yr 3-Adults

2-3pm Cartooning Workshop by Tohy Riddle \$20 for Yr 3-Adults

3-4pm Paper Clay by Naomi Oliver for K-Yr3 \$15



Sunday 12th November



10-11am Mandalas by Leonie Packer for K-Yr4 \$15

12-1pm Mandalas by Leonie Packer for Yr5-Adults \$15



12pm-1pm Paper Craft by Naomi Oliver for K-Yr2 \$15



10:30-12pm Woven Sphere by Branching Out \$25 for 9yrs-Adults



1-2:30pm Tipi/Christmas Tree by Branching Out \$25 for 9yrs-Adults

Visit our website for details and booking forms and email any queries to workshops@bluemountainsartfest.net.au

www.bluemountainsartfest.net.au

Wentworth Falls Public School, Falls Road, Wentworth Falls 2782

FREE TENNIS DAY

SUNDAY 29th OCT 11AM-2PM



Proudly Supporting



Prize Giveaways

Raffle*

BBQ*

Ball Machine

Hit the Target

Coaching

Free Play

Hot Shots

Devonshire Tea*

Face Painting*

* Small Fee with all money being donated to The Kids Cancer Project

Winmalee Tennis Club in conjunction with Blue Mountains Tennis Assoc would like to invite you to try tennis at our Free Tennis Open Day.

For More Information contact 4754 1586 or 0418 432 974
E: winmaleetennisclub@hotmail.com



WINMALEE TENNIS CLUB

SUMMERHAYES PARK, WINMALEE

Gateway Family Services

(An activity of Blaxland Uniting Church)

Springwood Neighbourhood Centre
Presents...



Bringing Up Great Kids *Parenting Group*

***Being the kind of parent
you would like to be***

Learn more about

- The origins of your parenting style and how it can be more effective;
- How to convey the important message to your children;
- The meaning behind children's behaviour;
- Ways that parents can care for themselves & find support when they need it.



**Come along to our
6 Week Parent Group!**

*For parents and caregivers with children aged from
0 – 12 years old*

LOCATION: Tanderra Out of School Care,
14 Raymond Road, Springwood
Located behind Springwood Neighbourhood Centre

WHEN: Wednesday 25th October –
29th November, 2017

TIME: 10:00am – 12noon

COST: Donation

Register at Gateway: 1300 316 746

**CHILDCARE AVAILABLE
- MUST BE BOOKED**



Gateway encourages, supports & respects diversity in families & communities. Our Groups are open to everyone.

Date: 11 November

Event name: Volcanoes of the Solar System

Event details: Dr Andrew McGonigle

Whilst earth is volcanically active, the real volcanic wonders of the solar system lie far beyond our planet. Indeed, volcanoes on Mars, Venus, The Moon and Io, to name a few locations, outstrip those of Earth in scale and vigour. This talk will provide an overview of our growing understanding of extra-terrestrial volcanism and different it is to that on Earth.

Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome and viewing of the night sky through a range of telescopes (weather permitting).

\$18.00 Adult

\$12.00 Child/Concession

\$50.00 Family (2 adults + 2 children)

Children under 3 years of age free.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Time: 8pm – 10pm

Venue Address: Penrith Observatory (Building AO), Western Sydney University, Werrington North campus, Great Western Highway, Werrington

Contact website for public enquiries and bookings:

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on



Upload a picture of the last thing that made you smile and tell us why.
Then pay it forward by nominating a colleague and telling us why you would like to see them smile.

You will go into the draw to win \$5,000 worth of professional development for your school plus the chance for your nominated colleague to win one of 10 weekly prizes.
Enter as often as you like!


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Local Service | Bigger Smiles

Entry is open to anyone who works at an Australian school.
See website for competition details.
Major prize drawn 24 November 2017.