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Term 4, Week 10 (14th December, 2017)

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

DECEMBER 2017		
Fri 15	Talent Quest - FINALS Last day of school for all students	
Mon 18	Staff Development Day	
Tue 19	Staff Development Day	



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

CSA bus permission (no money involved)



Assembly Dates

Fridays commencing 11.30am

February 2018 T.B.A



JANUARY 2018			
Mon 29	Staff Development Day		
Tue 30	School Commences Yrs 1-6 Kindy Best Start Assessments		
Wed 31	Kindy Best Start Assessments		
Thu 1	School Commences for all Kindergarten Students		



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: http://faulconbri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Access student portal: http://portal.det.nsw.edu.au



Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Celebration of Student Achievement

What a wonderful day we had yesterday at our Celebration of Student Achievement.

It was a time to recognise the accomplishments of students across the school and to acknowledge the active participation of our Year 6 students over the last seven years in the life of the school.

A big thank you to Mr Earl, Mr Thomson and the organising committee for planning and delivering such a well organised event.

It was a moment to shine for our Concert Band, Stage Band, Wind Orchestra, Drumming group, Junior Choir and Senior Choir, who all performed with gusto.

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and community members who came along to support our students.

But most of all thank you to the students. It was a long ceremony, and it was quite warm in the hall. The boys and girls were very well behaved and demonstrated respect for the award winners and the speakers at the microphone,

It was my first opportunity to address the whole school community – students, staff, parents and community members. I wanted to share my pride in the achievements of our school and the inclusive nature of our school community. I also wanted to share what drives my leadership of the school. For me there are two guiding principles – that every student is known, valued and cared for, and that every student, every teacher and every leader will improve every year. I am looking forward to us all working together to gain even greater achievements for our students.

Year 6 Farewell

Last Thursday night Year 6 students and staff gathered at the Springwood Sports Club for the Year 6 Farewell. It was a jovial night and I have been impressed by this grade of students, their willingness to engage in conversations, and get involved. As you leave primary school, think of this as an exciting opportunity to grow, develop, find your passion, achieve your dreams and never stop learning.

As a mum of a Year 6 student, I wish for you the same that I wish for my own daughter – to be successful, confident, creative individuals who participate in their community with passion.

2018 Planning

Our preliminary planning for 2018 is underway. We will have composite classes in all stages and across stages also. At this stage, the staffing of classes is:

Early Stage One: Mrs Carter/Mrs Lundqvist-Hayes, Miss Kidd, Miss Waddell;

Stage One: Mrs Harrison, Miss Waddell, Mr Brandjes, Mr Douglas, Mr Smith;

Stage Two: Mrs Jansons, Mr Smith, Mrs Zordoumis/Mrs Rooney, Ms Paull;

Stage Three: Mr McDonald, Miss Theoharis, Mr Thomson (Mr Cleary), Ms Paull.

Learning Support: Mrs Bridges and Mrs Cottam

Kitchen Garden: Mrs Langworthy



Principal's Report Continued...

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 9	Liam M (5/6T)	Oliver N (3/4BC)	Chloe W (1/2S)	Annabelle B (1/2S)	Matilda M (1/2H)	Grace M (5/6ZD)
Week 10	Izzy S (KW)	Lilah A (KCL)	Jarrod R (1/28)	Ella H (3/4м)	Scarlett H (4/5T)	Caden T (3/4M)

And finally...

I wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas, New Year and holiday.



Mrs Carol Frith Principal.



Weekly art classes for kids & adults Individual & group tuition Monthly Saturday sessions

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Holiday Safety

As we approach the summer holiday season, it is timely to remember to be safe around waterways and pools. I have included a message from the Sydney Childrens' Hospital regarding water safety in this newsletter.

Road safety over the holiday season is important also, especially if new bicycles, scooters or skateboards are given as present. Always wear a helmet when riding a bicycle, and if riding on the footpath be aware of driveways and cars reversing.

I hope that we all have a safe holiday season and return to school in 2018, happy and healthy.

Kids can drown without a sound!



Kids Can Drown Without a Sound!

Drowning is a leading cause of death for children under the age of five years. In NSW an average of 13 drowning deaths and 84 non-fatal drowning incidents occurred in children aged 0-17 years in the period 2002 to 2015. Non-fatal incidents can cause permanent damage to the child's brain, heart and lungs. Most parents think they will be able to hear if their child is drowning, but in fact it is very silent and quick.

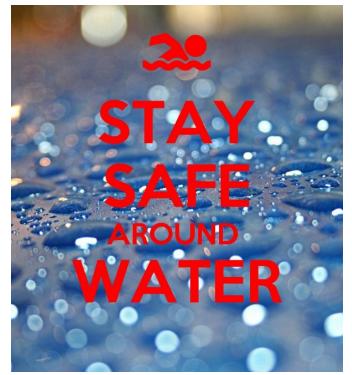
The 'Kids Can Drown Without a Sound' campaign from Kids Health at The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network 'aims to raise water safety awareness and encourage families to take appropriate precautions when children are in or near water.

To help prevent child drowning:

- 1. Have a compliant pool barrier that is used correctly and maintained regularly
- 2. Adult supervision of children (within arm's reach) in and around water is essential
- 3. Teach children water familiarisation and swimming skills
- 4. Learn CPR and remember that any attempt is better than none at all

Recent research reveals that across all ages, people of culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and newly arrived to Australia are at higher risk of drowning incidents. This is likely to be due to lack of familiarity with water activity and swimming ability in some people.

The 'Kids Can Drown without a Sound!' **resources** are available for download in 17 different languages from the Kids Health website: http://kidshealth.org.au/inflatable-and-portable-pools or printed copies for order free of charge from: http://kidshealth.org.au/resources-order







Mrs Painter is now taking enquiries for violin lessons at school in 2018.

If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to Mr Earl or contact Mrs Painter directly to enquire about availability. Mrs Painter is at school on Monday and Tuesday mornings this term and would be happy to meet you and discuss in person.

Alice Painter

Ph 0449 899 123

Alice painter@outlook.com





Introducing the School **Opal card**

Who can apply?

Years K-2 (Infants)

Years 3-6 (Primary) 1 6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking ears 7-12 (Secondary)

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Who needs to apply

A new application is only required if th has not had a School Opal card before

How to apply







Donations of SOCKS AND UNDIES needed!!

All donations of both new or good condition pre-loved kids socks and undies in assorted sizes would be greatly appreciated. All donations can be given at the school office.

Thank You



Stage 3 Ice Skating Outing





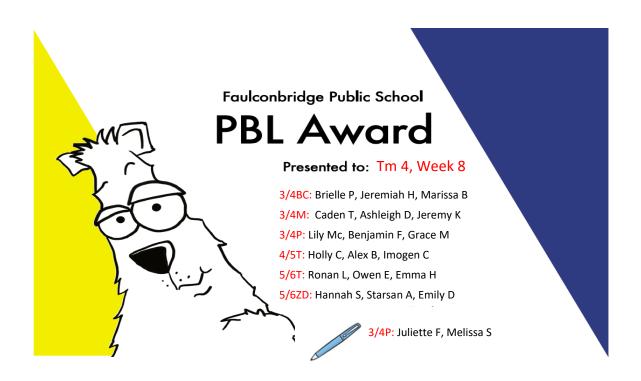














AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES TERM 1. 2018



COLOUR & LINE ADVENTURE ART CLUB

With Na'ama Atzmon-Simon

Create your own great artworks in this workshop series inspired by captivating colour and luscious lines. You'll try loads of fun art techniques: collage, rubbings, still life, paper mosaic and use stories, music, famous artists and superheros to inspire your art.

WHO: Students in Years 1 - 6

WHEN: Thursday 8 February - Thursday 12 April 2018, 4.15 - 5.15pm TICKETS: \$110 per person for 10 week term

Limited Tickets. Book in early to secure your spot.



YOGA @ THE LIBRARY

With Suzanne Ellis

BREATHE STRETCH CHILL

Good for your body and mind, this ten-week yoga course will have you feeling stronger, calmer, more focused and energised.

WHO: Students in Years 5 - 12 WHEN: Tuesday 6 February - Tuesday 10 April 2018, 4 - 5pm TICKETS: \$80 per person for 10 week term

INTRODUCING LORINDA...

We're pleased to introduce Lorinda as a new member of the Penrith Library's Children's Team. Lorinda comes with buckets of experience in education community arts and storytelling and is excited to share her skills at the Library. Lorinda loves children's stories, art, illustrations



and folk tales from around the world. She believes a good story is always worth sharing with a friend and telling stories is one of her favourite things to do.

A fond memory of little Lorinda was of her Nanna reading Heidi aloud by her bedside. This memory was etched in Lorinda's mind and now, as a storyteller herself she gets to read stories aloud as part of her job, a factor that is crucial in a child's early literacy training. Come share a story at the library with her soon.

PENRITH CITY COUNCIL

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS **COMMENCING TERM 1, 2018**

Our first Baby Time, Story Time and Toy Library sessions in 2018 are:

Toy Library

ST MARYS

Tuesday

6 February, 10 - 12pm

PENRITH

Wednesday

7 February

ST CLAIR

Thursday

8 February

10 - 12pm

Baby Time PENRITH

Monday 5 February 10.30 - 11.30am

Story Time ST MARYS

Tuesday 6 February, 10.30 - 11.30am

PENRITH

ST CLAIR

7 February, 10.30 - 11.30am

Thursday 8 February, 10 30 - 11 30am



IT'S GAME ON... WITH THE SUMMER READING CLUB

Monday 4 December 2017 - Sunday 28 January 2018



HOW MANY BOOKS CAN YOU READ THIS SUMMER?

From Monday 4 December, visit any library branch to collect your Summer Reading Club log and get started. Read and record ten books on the reading log and return your completed log to any library branch for your chance to win a prize. Winners will be drawn at our Special Summer Reading Club celebration at Penrith Library on

Tuesday 13 February 2018 at 4pm.

The Summer Reading Club is open to all Library Members aged 16 years and under

THE MORE YOU READ, THE MORE CHANCES YOU HAVE TO WIN AWESOME PRIZES!

For more information contact the Children's Team on 4732 7890 or childrensteamlibrary@penrith.city

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ZIPTALES Help children learn and love to read

Ziptales is a fun and fantastic new, online eResource on the Penrith City Library website. Ziptales offers 500+ interactive stories with voiceovers, animations, games, quizzes and more, to help make reading fun! Ziptales is free for Library Members so all you need to get started is a library card. Find Ziptales online at ziptales.com/subs/penrith/

Also, visit Penrith Library this summer and try out the Ziptales children's booth on display in the children's area till the end of January 2018. Tell us how it goes!

Look inside for fun holiday activities!

penrithcity.nsw.gov.au



FAMILY SHOWS

NELLA'S WINGS

With Sydney Puppet Theatre

Nella doesn't speak but her drawings guide us into her imagination where flying creatures live in the snow, the desert, the sea and garden. With the audience's help Nella finds a way to fly!

WHO: For the whole family

WHEN: Wednesday 10 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am TICKETS: \$5 per person (children under 2 free)



TICKETS ON SALE

FROM MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2018

All events are at Penrith

Library. Bookings are essential. Book early to

avoid disappoinment as tickets sell quickly. No

funds or exchanges fo ts purchased.

MAGIC SHOW

With Joel Howlett

You're invited into JD's World of Magic, with a live magic rabbit, buckets of audience participation and more fun than you could wave a wand at! Great for all the family!

WHO: For the whole family

WHEN: Wednesday 17 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$5 per person (children under 2 free)

TEEN WORKSHOPS

HENNA WORKSHOP With Gul Mehndi

You'll learn how to use traditional

TICKETS: \$25 per person

body art decorating techniques and create your own unique henna designs starting with simple henna patterns and step-by-step instruction.



Family shows - every adult and child over 2 year old st purchase a ticket.

orkshops are supervised professional facilitators

our feedback helps us plai uture events - email the ibrary's Children's team at hildrensteamlibrary

TRASH PERCUSSION With Ian Watson/Fun Day Out

A whole lot of loud fun! Work together and create an original piece of music with this exciting, vibrant, all-inclusive style of percussion where anything and everything is a musical instrument



WHO: 11 - 16 year olds WHEN: Tuesday 16 January 2018, 11 - 11.50am

TICKETS: \$15 per person



WORKSHOPS

ICED CHOCOLATE CLAY SCULPTURES

With Katherine Kennedy

from Blue Mountains Creative Arts Centre

Shape your own clay sculpture - a yummy iced chocolat drink in a fancy cafe cup. Looks so tasty you'll want to drink it!

WHO: 6 - 11 year olds **WHEN:** Monday 8 January 2018, 10 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$20 per child



IMAGINE IT, CREATE IT, WEAR IT

With Christine Butterfield from Chrysanthemum Creations

Create magic with leather and fabric! Let your imagination run wild and design a unique accessory to wear on your clothes, your wrist, in your hair or around your neck. The possibilities are endless!

WHO: 8 - 12 year olds

WHEN: Tuesday 9 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$20 per child



TRASH PERCUSSION

With Ian Watson from Fun Day Out

A whole lot of loud fun! Work together and create an original piece of music with this exciting, vibrant, all inclusive style of percussion where anything and everything is a musical instrument.

WHO: 6 - 10 year olds

WHEN: Tuesday 16 January 2018, 10 - 10.50 am

TICKETS: \$15 per child



HULA HOOP DANCING

With Caitlyn from Spin Joy

Join Spin Joy for fun, dizzy hula hoop dancing and the coolest tricks around! Hula Hoop dance is great fun and captivates the attention of boys and girls of all ages. You'll be in fits of giggles as you master the basics and learn something new.

WHO: 6 - 13 year olds

WHEN: Thursday 18 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am TICKETS: \$15 per child

Gateway Family Services Parenting Group Programs Term 1, 2018



Program	Date & Time	Location	Registration
Circle of Security Learn how to be a strong, wiser & kinder parent with your kids. Suitable	Every Saturday 10th Feb - 24th March 10:00am - 12noon ** NO Childcare	Blaxland Uniting Church 72 Old Bathurst Rd, BLAXLAND (Onsite parking available)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
for parents of 0 -12 year old. * NO Childcare available	Every Monday 12th Feb - 26th March 9:30am - 11:30am ** NO Childcare	Blackheath Community Centre, - Bates Hall Cnr GWH & Gardiners Crescent, BLACKHEATH	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
123 Magic Parenting Learn how to understand & manage your child's difficult behaviour. Suitable for parents with 0-12 year olds. * Childcare - Bookings essential	Every Tuesday 13th Feb - 27th Feb 6:30pm - 8:30pm * Childcare available	St Marys Public School OSHC, Cnr Charles , Hackett Dr & Gabriels Lane, ST MARYS (enter via Rear Gate in Gabriels Lane)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
From Floundering to Flourishing Helping adults identify how to maximise kids successes giving you tools to enhance and improve kid's resilience * NO Childcare available	Tuesday 20th March 9:30am - 11:30am ** NO Childcare	Wentworth Falls Public School Falls Road, WENTWORTH FALLS	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Tuning In To Kids Emotionally Intelligent Parenting Learning to better talk & understand your child to help manage your child's emotions & behaviour. * Childcare - Bookings essential	Every Wednesday 21st Feb - 28th March 10:00am - 12noon * Childcare available	Katoomba Public School Merriwa Street, Katoomba	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Let's Talk about Siblings without Rivalry Discussion and practical tools for parents who want to help their children live well together so you can all live. * NO Childcare available	Every Wednesday 28th Feb - 21st March 7:00pm - 9:00pm * NO Childcare	Heatherbrae, Lawson 1 Benang Street, LAWSON, (located beside carpark behind Lawson Pub)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Let's Talk about Friends & Frenemies For Youth aged 10-14 years utilising the resilience doughnut model to discuss strategies for social resilience in a supportive environment.	Tuesday 20th March 4:00pm - 5:30pm * NO Childcare	The Clairvaux Centre, Enrich, 14 Oak Street, KATOOMBA	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)

For more information and Individual Flyers go to:

www.gatewayfamilyservices.org.au or www.facebook.com/GatewayFS

Gateway family services parent group program is funded by DSS and NSW FACS.

Gateway works collaboratively with community partners to bring parent groups to communities from St Marys to Blackheath.

Thanks to MMM for providing childcare for the Daytime groups.









SCHOOL HOLIDAY



FOUR A SIDE

SUMMER FOOTBALL

TOURNAMENT

VENUE: WINMALEE TENNIS CENTRE – Hawkesbury Rd, Winmalee

DATE: 16th - 17th - 18th - 19th JANUARY 2018





Player Ages - BOYS & GIRLS

U4s

U5s

U6s

\$60 cost per player

4 DAY SOCCER TOURNAMENT . LIMITED TO 4 TEAMS PER AGE GROUP .

30 MINUTE GAMES (7 min quarter breaks) . GUARANTEED 7 GAMES PER TEAM

SOCCER 4 TOTS REFEREES . MEDALS / TROPHIES .

* Shin pads and futsal shoes or sneakers ONLY to be worn by all players (due to synthetic surface). Max 6 players per team.

Team registrations only, no individual player registrations. *

BE PART OF THE FUN
GET A TEAM TOGETHER ... REGISTER TODAY!

For further information or to book a team contact Max: 0419 147 353 or email: tots4soccer@gmail.com. Visit our website www.soccer-4-tots.com for full details, registration form and conditions.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

U4 – U6 SOCCER TOURNAMENT

GREAT
ENVIRONMENT
FUN &
EXCITING

BOYS & GIRLS

PLACES ARE LIMITED! REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!!



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Parent Connect With FREE childcare	For Dad's & Mums of children aged 0—8 years	2018 Terms 1 & 2: 12th&26th Feb, 12th & 26th March, 7th & 21st May, 4th & 18th June, 2nd July	10am—12noon
Supporting Your Teen Through High School	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of teens	Weds 21st February 2018	6.30 - 9pm
Talking & Listening with Your Kids WITH FREE CHILDCARE	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 28th February 2018	6.30 - 9pm
Managing Kids Challenging Behaviours WITH FREE CHILDCARE	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	3 weeks ongoing Saturdays: 3rd. 10th & 17th March 2018	10am - 12.30pm
Teens- Breaking Down the Wall 3 weeks ongoing	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of teens	3 weeks ongoing Wednesday: 7th, 14th & 21st March 2018	6.30 - 9pm
Beating Bullying WITH FREE CHILDCARE	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 28th March 2018	6.30 - 9pm

Wishing everyone a safe and Merry Christmas & Happy New Year 2018 Christmas 2017 and New Year 2018 closure:

We will be closed from Monday 25th December and re-open on Monday 8th January 2018

Useful numbers if we are closed:

Lifeline: 13 11 14

Suicide Call Back service: 1300 659 467

Kids Helpline: 1800 55 1800 Mensline: 1300 789 978 Parentline: 1300 1300 52





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INFANTS &PRIMARY KID'S HOLIDAY PROGRAM



Winmalee Public School Hall WINMALEE (Next to Pinnaroo Vacation Care)

Hours 9am - 3 pm

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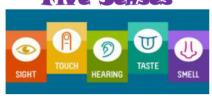
Swimmers or a change of clothes And a towel to join in the fun. Sunscreen is provided. ✓ Don't forget a hat.













Who will find the clues and solve the puzzle?



Annual tower building competition

Supporters:

Winmalee Public School Winmalee Neighbourhood Centre Pinnaroo OOSH. Lions Club.

Blue Mountains Family Support Services Winmalee Hub

Local services and businesses and many others who are not listed.



For information and booking regarding this Program please contact: Springwood Uniting Church Office -Ph. 0247513951 Program Coordinator: Mary-Ellen Jamieson Mob. 0415533491

This is an activity run & coordinated by Springwood Uniting Church with the generous support of Winmalee Neighbourhood Centre

School Holiday Fun 2017-2018 BLUE MOUNTAINS

All activities held @ 2 Station Street, Katoomba unless stated otherwise.

Christmas Craft

Free Christmas creative fun with a number of craft activities for children aged 5-12 years. Morning tea provided.

On Wednesday 20/12/17 @ 10.00 am to 12.30 pm For more info or to book call 4782 1555 or

email: sarah@thriveservices.org.au

Tie Dying workshop

Be creative and learn the art of tie dying for children aged 5-12 years. Morning tea provided. Thrive Blue Mountains on Monday 8/1/18 @ 10.30 am to 12.30 pm

> For more info or to book call 4782 1555 or email: kylie@thriveservices.org.au

Gardening & Seed planting Family Fun Day

Hearn about gardening and seed planting at Thrive for kids aged to fun filled family event (weather permitting)



5-8 years. Morning tea provided. with games, activities & food. or email: selina@thriveservices.org.au email: sophie@thriveservices.org.au

Wednesday, 17/1/18 Melrose Park, Katoomba on Wednesday @ 10.30 am to 12.00 pm 24/1/18 @ 11.00 am to 1.00 pm For more info or to book call 4782 1555 For more info or to book call 4782 1555 or





Thrive Services

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