

## Learn to Live

Term 2, Week 5 (25th May, 2017)

### Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

#### JUNE 2017

Thur 8	K-2 Pet Ownership Workshop
Mon 12	Queens Birthday (Public Holiday)
Tues 13	Public Speaking Final (Stg2&3) Main Hall @ 2pm
Mon 19	P&C Meeting
Sat 24	Working Bee from 9am
Tues 20	Winmalee Cup
Tue 27	Winmalee Cup Back-Up
Thur 29	Disco

#### TERM 3 - JULY 2017

Mon 17	P&C Meeting PUPIL FREE DAY
Wed 26	Kindy Transition Group A, Session 1

#### AUGUST 2017

Wed 2	Kindy Transition Group B, Session 1 NAIDOC Day
Wed 9	Kindy Transition Group A, Session 2
Wed 16	Kindy Transition Group B, Session 2
Wed 23	Kindy Transition Group A, Session 3
Wed 30	Kindy Transition Group B, Session 3

Relieving Principal: Mr P Earl

Relieving Assistant Principal Stage 1: Mrs K Carter, Miss S Kidd

Assistant Principal Stage 2: Mrs N Bridges, Mr A Smith

Relieving Assistant Principal Stage 3: Mr P Thomson

### Notes Home



- ◆ Responsible Pet Education Program (K-2)
- ◆ Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition
- ◆ Winmalee Cup Soccer Training (Selected Students)
- ◆ Kitchen Garden Program - Stage 2

### Assembly Dates

Fridays commencing 11.25am

May 26	K-6 Assembly
June 2	K-2 Assembly
June 9	3-6 Assembly
June 16	K-2 Assembly (KW item)

## School Activities Update

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Classes - Term 2

Monday - 3/4BC, 3/4M, 3/4P



### 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, 1/2L, 1/2S

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

Thursday: 4/5T, 5/6ZD, 5/6T, KW, 3/4M

Friday: K/1B, KC

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

## Relieving Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week was National Volunteers Week. This annual celebration acknowledges the generous contribution of our nation's volunteers. On behalf of the families, students and staff of Faulconbridge Public School, I want to thank those who give their time so generously. I know your time is valuable, and your willingness to contribute some of that valuable time to Faulconbridge Public School shows your commitment to the wellbeing of your child and all of our students.

The contributions you have made by working in the P&C, Blackboard Café, garden, uniform shop, as reading helpers and classroom helpers; for example, have really made a difference in our students' educational experience this year.

As you know, students, staff and parents/caregivers here at Faulconbridge enjoy a warm, caring community that fosters the highest standards of academic, social and emotional growth. The efforts of volunteers like you are a vital part of that community.

### **STUDENT REPORTS – home to parents Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Currently, it is great pleasure for me to see teachers preparing reports. Clearly, students across the school identify with the value of excellence as they reach for their personal best and persist through challenges and difficulties they may have in their learning. Teachers have worked extremely hard to ensure that there are high learning expectations and encourage students to always strive to achieve their best.

The report card is a concise, common sense report of student progress and achievement that all parents can easily understand. The final mark is gained from the range of formal and informal assessment tasks and activities undertaken over the semester, an overall, balanced judgement is made about which standard or progression point the evidence best matches. The A-E scale means that all Government schools (with the exception of some specialist setting schools) use the same approach to reporting student progress. The A-E ratings have the same meaning from school to school, and they are used to report student progress against the same state-wide standards. The use of a five-point scale was also one of the conditions set by the Commonwealth Government for the provision of funding to schools.

In every school:

- a 'C' rating means that a student is at the standard expected at the time of reporting and that their learning is on track. A 'C' does not mean achievement is 'just adequate'. It indicates that a student has met the state-wide standard expected of students of their age at the time of reporting and their learning is firmly on track. Most students will receive this grade.
- a 'B' rating means that a student is above the standard expected for their year level at the time of reporting
- an 'A' rating means a student is well above the standard expected for their year level at the time of reporting
- a 'D' rating means a student is below the standard expected
- an 'E' rating well below the standard expected for their year level at the time of reporting.

### **CUB 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:

<b>Week 4</b>	Skye (12L)	Koby (K1B)	Matilda (34BC)	Rhiannon (56T)		
<b>Week 5</b>	Angus (12L)	Alex (12H)	Flynn (12H)	Ryan (45T)	April (45T)	Ashleigh (34M)

## Relieving Principal's Report Continued...

### WORKING BEE:

Working Bees at Faulconbridge are so much more than a means of ticking off a 'To Do' list. They are opportunities for families to connect with each other and work together to support their school. Plenty of time is allowed for conversation over a cuppa and some morning tea. Kids are welcome too, and often love the chance to explore the grounds and spend time with friends outside the context of the school routine.

Please join us on **Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> June** from **9am**. Please bring tools with you on the day – wheel barrows, gloves, secateurs, spades, shovels, rakes, buckets, trowels and leaf blowers.

### ATTENDANCE POLICY:

The Department of Education released a new Attendance Policy last year. This policy highlights the importance of students attending each school day. Students who are frequently absent or are late for school miss vital learning experiences that may affect their educational, social and emotional wellbeing. All parents and caregivers have a responsibility to ensure that children attend school each day and to notify the school as soon as possible if their child is away.

If your child is absent you are required to provide the school with an **absence note** explaining why they were away. Please ensure that a **written letter** is provided upon your child's return to school. Schools have a legal requirement to record student attendance.

### DISTRICT PSSA NETBALL CARNIVAL:

Blue Mountains PSSA netballers dominated the Sydney West netball championship yesterday with an undefeated victory. Emma Hyslop and Emily Devine did an outstanding job representing our school and their families and are to be commended for their efforts.



### DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY:

I would also like to congratulate the children who represented Faulconbridge Public School at the District Cross Country Carnival last Friday. We finished 8<sup>th</sup> overall and had 2 students make it through to the Regional Carnival. Congratulations to Tiana and Taniora Heke on this significant achievement. Thank you to Mr Smith and Mr Brandjes for attending the carnival with our students. Please note that our Cross Country ribbons will be presented at this Friday's K-6 Assembly.



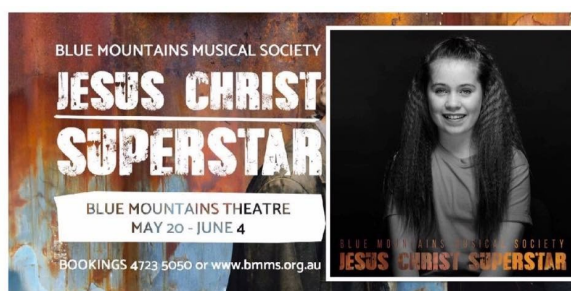
### RESPONSIBLE PET EDUCATION PROGRAM:

The Responsible Pet Education Program, '*Children Living Safely with Dogs*', is funded by NSW Government. The program is designed to engage the children to have fun and to learn about safety with dogs. They will be visiting Faulconbridge Public School on the **8th of June**. If your child has an allergy or phobia to dogs it is essential that you return the signed permission note as soon as possible.

### JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR:

Do yourself a favour, go and see the Blue Mountains Musical Society's production of Jesus Christ Superstar. Not only is it an incredible musical, it also features one of our very talented students, Chloe Schofield. Congratulations Chloe, we are all very proud of your achievements. Tickets are available from the BMMS website: <http://bmms.org.au/show/jesus-christ-superstar-2017/>

Kind regards,  
Mr Earl



The 2017 Faulconbridge Public School cross country carnival  
was held on Friday 12th May 2017.

Congratulations to all students that participated in the event.

	Kinder Boys	Year 1 Boys	Year 2 Boys	8/9 Boys Boys	10 Year Boys	11 Year Boys	12 Year Boys
1st	Bronson Mills	Jarrold Reed	Ashton Jacobs	Lachlan Wilkins	Oscar Quaine	Ashton Dobson	Taniora Heke
2nd	Joshua Dowson	Zach Morgan	Caeden Brown	Taylor Mason	Rhett Goman	Ryan Turner	Alex Robinson
3rd	Noah Cummins	Ethan Henderson	Lachlan Billiards	Gordon Hewitt	Lachlan Henderson	Zane Palmer	Cayden Henderson



	Kinder Girls	Year 1 Girls	Year 2 Girls	8/9 Boys Girls	10 Year Girls	11 Year Girls	12 Year Girls
1st	Katie Billiards	Annabelle Birtles	Rose Nicholas	Zara Nicholas	Tiana Heke	Tegan Daley	Alexia Burrell
2nd	Georgia Hill	Indy Batchelor	Teagan Waghorn	Ashleigh Daley	Jessica Marion	Tarana Stubenrauch	Hannah Wass
3rd	Emmaline Birtles	Erin Durie	Rebecca Marion	Rebecca Marion	Caitlyn Murray	Isabelle Iversen	Emma Hyslop



# Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition

## Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition Stage 2 & 3

The school final of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking competition will take place in Week 8 on Tuesday 13th of June at 2pm in the hall. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend. The final writing workshop for participating students who would like to receive assistance with their speech will take place this coming Monday at lunch time in Mrs Laws' classroom. Good luck to all of the participating students who are delivering speeches over the coming weeks in the classroom!

Mrs Laws



## Faulconbridge Public School PBL Award

Presented to: **Tm 2, Week 4**

**3/4BC:** Tiana H, Jeremiah H, Annabelle R

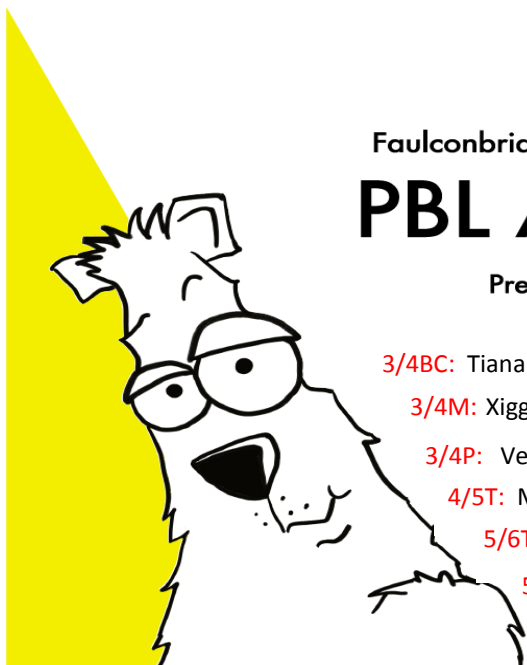
**3/4M:** Xiggy SW, Abby D, Caden T

**3/4P:** Veygas A-S, Claire H, Lily C

**4/5T:** Magor P, Hunter P, Indigo L

**5/6T:** Mahailia B, Harding P, Owen E

**5/6ZD:** Hannah S, Cooper M, Caitlyn M



## Faulconbridge Public School PBL Award

Presented to: **Tm 1, Week 10**

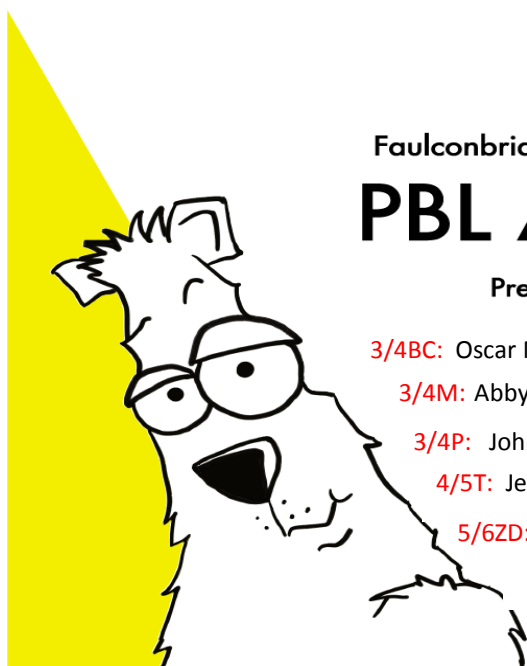
**3/4BC:** Oscar M, Oliver

**3/4M:** Abby D, Laithen B, Kaiya P

**3/4P:** John VH, Isabel C-E, Summer L

**4/5T:** Jessica M, Alex B, Tarana S

**5/6ZD:** Joel P, Ethan B, Miah M





# Faulconbridge Public School P&C Uniform Shop



Prices Current as of 11 May 2017

Student Name:

Class:

Item	Size	Price	Size	Quantity	Total
<b>Shirts</b>					
FBPS Embroidered Polo	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 19.00			
FBPS Embroidered Long Sleeve Polo	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 21.00			
FBPS Embroidered Polo Sport Shirt	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 22.00			
Senior Girls Blouse	6,8,10,12,14	\$ 37.00			
<b>Dresses &amp; Skirts</b>					
Summer Dress	4,6,8	\$ 41.00			
Summer Dress	10,12	\$ 44.00			
FBPS Check Winter Tunic	4,6,8	\$ 53.00			
FBPS Check Winter Tunic	10,12	\$ 55.00			
FBPS Check Senior Skirt	6,8,10,12,14	\$ 38.00			
<b>Pants &amp; Shorts</b>					
FBPS Check Pants	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 45.00			
FBPS Check Pants	14,16	\$ 45.00			
Girls Pull-on Shorts	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 25.00			
Mesh Sports Shorts	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 13.00			
Microfibre Track Pants	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 31.00			
<b>Jackets</b>					
FBPS Embroidered Fleecy Zip Jacket	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 35.00			
FBPS Embroidered Winter Jacket	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$ 43.00			
<b>Hats</b>					
FBPS Embroidered Bucket Hat	S/M,M/L,L/XL	\$ 14.00			
FBPS Embroidered Bucket Hat- Red	S,M,L	\$ 14.00			
<b>Bags</b>					
FBPS Embroidered Library Bag	Library Bag	\$ 14.00			
Total					

Credit Card Payment			
Card Type	VisaCard	MasterCard	Cash
Name on Card			
Card Number			
Expiry Date			
CVV			

Orders will be dispatched on Thursdays. Uniform Shop open Thursdays for 8.15 to 9.15

Parent/Carer Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_



# Faulco PS P&C

President: Sarah Emmanuel

Email: [faulconbridge.pandc@gmail.com](mailto:faulconbridge.pandc@gmail.com)



## Mother's Day Breakfast

We drank perfect coffee, we ate croissants and banana bread and basked in the sunlight of our own success. Mums

from all around the school come together to be indulged by their loved ones and what an indulgence the Blackboard Cafe put on! It was really lovely to see families share tables and stories during the morning and even better to have so many families stay on after bell time to continue the fun. Big thanks to those families who came along to share the special morning and huge thanks to all the mums and carers who worked so hard to make it happen! Very special thanks to the parents who helped and Sarah, Fab, Reka, Rose, Sandra and Jenny....for all the great food and drinks!



## Blackboard Cafe

We look to be starting sushi lunches fortnightly on a Wednesday lunchtime at the Blackboard Cafe. Listen out for more details soon. If you would like to be involved in this initiative please let us know. It would be great to have a few extra helpers to assist on these days.

## Bon Voyage Simon

Thanks to Simon Ebbeling for his continued support as the P&C Treasurer. In a sign of true commitment Simon will continue in his role as he and his family set out to travel Oz. Happy and safe travels gang!

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### NEXT MEETING

Next P&C Meeting 19th June 7pm, Library. All Welcome!

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### FACEBOOK

Find us at "FPS P&C", also "Blackboard Cafe FPS" and stay in touch.

3

### STAY INFORMED

P&C meeting minutes are posted to the P&C Facebook page. Copies are also in the cafe.



## P&C Movie Night

The inaugural P&C Movie Night was a complete success. Not only did lots of kids come along and join in but it also provided parents the opportunity to attend the meet and greet and the meeting. It was great having lots of families involved! Thanks so much to the kids for being amazing and the parents for helping!



## P&C Meet and Greet

The P&C held it the first of what will hopefully become many meet and greet evenings. Lots of families came along and enjoyed a selection of refreshments and nibbles. It was so great to see new faces along and lovely to hear new

ideas and suggestions from a range of families from our school. Remember, if you have something you would like to let your P&C know, then drop an email, give us a call, grab Sarah in the cafe or send a message on Facebook. All ideas are welcome!

## Mother's Day Stall

Mother's Day is never complete without a gift from school! These gifts are only ever intended to be small tokens of gift stall esteem from your child to mum, auntie or Nan. Thanks so much to Amanda Hodges and her band of merry parents who helped select, wrap and sell all the gifts. Amanda is doing a wonderful job as the Fundraising Committee Goddess but she is always looking to expand the group. If you would like to help out, drop us a line and we'll send you fundraising! Remember, fundraising is fun! It really, is.

### WHAT'S GOING ON?

- \* P&C Internet page: the P&C Internet page has now been deemed terminal. The committee are working towards a new page so please be patient.
- \* Playground project: The redevelopment of the playground continues. If you would like to get involved in the development group please let the P&C or Mr Earl know.
- \* Uniform Shop: We are asking families to please use the uniform order form. It can be found in the school newsletter or on the P&C Facebook page and the office.
- \* Sushi Lunches: We look to be starting sushi lunches available fortnightly on a Wednesday lunchtime at the Blackboard Cafe. Listen out for more details soon. If you would like to be involved in this initiative please let us know. It would be great to have a few extra helpers to assist on these days.





# SCHOOL BANKING



## School Banking 2017 is off to a flying start.

This year's School Banking adventure is well underway, as the new-look Dollarmites lead the journey up towards the amazing Savings Hover Park. Students are demonstrating a remarkable saving behaviour.

**New reward items**  
There are two new reward items to keep students saving in Term 2: the 3D Chalk Set and Tablet Case. Your child can redeem one of these, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

**Modern ways to teach money skills with the CommBank Youth app**  
Through the School Banking program, CommBank has been offering engaging ways for Australian children to learn the value of saving and smart money management since 1931. In 2017, the introduction of the CommBank Youth app, an innovative digital banking tool, will help enhance the School Banking program.

With the CommBank Youth app, your child can:

- Check the balance of their Youthsaver account.
- View School Banking deposits in their transaction history.
- Track the number of Dollarmites tokens they collect.
- Set up savings goals and monitor their progress.
- Create a list of chores they can do to earn pocket money.

Explore more about the CommBank Youth app, and how to get your child started, by visiting [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

**Learning the value of digital money**  
Did you know that approximately one in five parents are trying to teach their children about cashless transactions and digital money management? CommBank research shows parents are alternating between cash and online bank transfers when giving their children pocket money, and actively demonstrating 'tap and go', online banking, mobile applications and how ATMs work. For more information and tips on financial education for kids, visit The Beanstalk on [commbank.com.au/beanstalk](http://commbank.com.au/beanstalk)

Things you should know: The Commonwealth Bank School Banking Study is an online survey of 1,049 parents across Australia undertaken by AKA Research in December 2016. This article is intended to provide general information of an educational nature only. It does not constitute financial advice. Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 40 125 125 124.

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. First quarter 2017, we raised \$273.91

### 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](http://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





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# TEDDY BEARS' DAY OUT



Sunday 28 May 2017

*Back by popular demand*



**"Calling all Children and their Teddy Bears"**



All children aged 16 and under will receive **FREE** admission when accompanied by their Teddy Bear (with an adult or as part of a family group)

- Meet Mama & Papa Bear
- All Teddies should join the "Teddy Bear Express" - a short "Bears' only" tram ride - departing at 11am, 12pm, 2pm & 3pm
- Take your precious friend on unlimited rides on the Steam Tram - "As many as you can Bear"
- **FREE** confectionery pack for the littlies
- 5-15 year olds take the Kids Quiz challenge
- Plus all the Museum's great exhibits

**Where - Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum**  
17b Tusculum Road, Valley Heights NSW 2777 - 10am to 4pm

For further details

Phone: 02 4751 4638 (leave a message if unattended)

Website: <https://valleyheightsrailmuseum.info>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Valley-Heights-Locomotive-Depot-Heritage-Museum-224121597699539/>

Email: [info@valleyheightsrailmuseum.info](mailto:info@valleyheightsrailmuseum.info)



**Transport  
HeritageNSW**



# Whole Family Health

382 Great Western Hwy, St Marys NSW 2760 - parking and entry via Sainsbury St (at rear)  
theteam@wholefamilyhealth.com.au - 02 8011 1300

**Does your child find vacation care overwhelming?  
Are they struggling at school?**

*We are here to help!*

Whole Family Health is dedicated to helping your child reach their full potential. We have trained Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech Pathologists, Psychologists and Primary Teachers who would love to help your child during the school holidays!

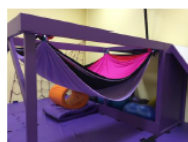
Our School Holiday Program is designed to keep your child happy, healthy and safe these holidays, all whilst engaging in a range of fun therapy activities including feeding groups, animal assisted therapy, drama and storytelling, art therapy, hydrotherapy and fitness! We also incorporate a range of fun school-based activities, catering to your child's individual educational needs, ensuring that your child's learning continues throughout the holiday period.

Our program is available in morning (9am-12pm), afternoon (12pm-3pm) and day (9am-3pm) sessions. High quality care is important to us; therefore, we ensure that each child is paired with a trained therapist at all times.

If you are interested in registering your child for our unique program or have any further questions, please don't hesitate to give our centre a call ☺ We can't wait to meet you and your child these school holidays! Phone: 8011 1300 Email: [theteam@wholefamilyhealth.com.au](mailto:theteam@wholefamilyhealth.com.au)

Activities include:

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Thu 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> July
• Biscuit decorating	• Mini pizzas	• Ball games	• Art and craft	• 'boot camp' personal training
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Thu 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July
• Storytelling	• Hydrotherapy	• Apple race cars	• Guinea pigs	• 'obstacle course' fitness



We also have limited places available in our regular term therapy programs - speech, physio, OT and psychology, as well as tutoring with our dual-qualified OT-primary teacher!

**Breads/cereals + veg/salad +  
meat/alternatives + fruit + dairy +  
water = healthy lunch box!**



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