

Learn to Live

Term 2, Week 7 (8th June, 2017)

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

JUNE 2017

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
Thu 22	Start Smart Workshop
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



- ♦ Winmalee Cup Soccer Training (Selected Students)
- ♦ Kitchen Garden Program - Stage 2
- ♦ School Disco (K-6)
- ♦ 'Transition Buddies' (year 5 students)
- ♦ Eastlakes Pen Pal visit (3/4BC & 4/5T)

Assembly Dates

Fridays commencing 11.25am

June 9	3-6 Assembly
June 16	K-2 Assembly (KW item)
June 23	3-6 Assembly
June 30	K-6 Assembly

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,

Recently, I suggested to the students that it was important for them to spend some time reflecting and discussing their individual report with their parents. It is important that the children understand that report time should not be an anxious time but a time for them to identify their strengths and to set achievable goals for their future learning. It is also a challenge for the parents to focus on the strengths rather than purely on areas that are weaknesses. I would encourage you to take into account your child's effort and attitude to learning. If this is below standard, then you have something to work on. If s/he is doing his/her best, then you can ask for little more.

Please don't forget to celebrate your child's efforts and achievements. This will encourage and build his/her self-esteem and lead him/her to achieve greater things than he/she thought possible. Michael Grose, a well-known writer and parent educator, lists the following four types of encouragement under the heading, 'Vitamins for Parents':

- Focus on effort- 'It is great to see you trying to..... '
- Focus on improvement –'you have improved in..... .. '
- Show appreciation - 'Thanks for working on and '
- Display confidence – 'I know you can do this..... '

STAFFING NEWS:

Mrs Laws has accepted a teaching position at Blue Mountains Grammar School starting next term. Whilst we congratulate Clare on this appointment, we are very sad to be losing such a valued member of the Faulconbridge team. Consistency is important for our students and we feel very fortunate to have Mrs Rooney and Mrs Langworthy working with our 1/2L students for the remainder of the year. Both teachers are familiar faces to our students and will continue to implement Mrs Laws' classroom program during this time.

BAND FUNDRAISER:

You are all invited to join us on the last day of term (30th June) for our Band Fundraising Day. We are aiming to raise enough money to buy a new Tenor Saxophone (\$1,116.50). The day's program will begin at 11.25am with a concert in the hall featuring our major music groups – Wind Orchestra, Concert Band, Stage Band, String Orchestra, Drumming Group, Senior Choir and Junior Choir. We will also celebrate 50 years since the launch of the biggest selling album every, Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, with a medley of Beatles Songs, featuring a parent band!

Students will have the opportunity to:

- Dress in their best 60s/70s outfits, for a gold coin donation
- Listen to our buskers in the playground (small groups and solo) after the hall concert, and give them a donation (don't forgot to bring in your loose change),
- Buy yummy food from parent-run food stalls.

Thank you to the band's fundraising committee for organising this event.

NAPLAN ONLINE:

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Planning has begun to move NAPLAN from a pen and paper assessment to an online assessment.

Relieving Principal's Report Continued...

What are the benefits of NAPLAN Online?

Results will be faster and more precise

- Your child's individual results will be returned to you within just a few weeks of the NAPLAN testing.
- Online assessment will reduce the time it takes to mark and provide feedback to schools, teachers and parents.
- Improved precision and timing of results will help teachers to tailor their teaching more specifically to address students' learning needs.

Tailored tests will provide better assessment

The online format allows for 'tailored testing', where the test adapts to a student's performance and asks questions that match their achievement level.

- Students in each year level start with the same set of questions which can then branch into a different set of questions based on their responses to the first set of questions.
- This means that students will be directed to questions that may be easier or more challenging depending on their responses.
- This test design will allow students to better demonstrate their literacy and numeracy skills.
- Students find online assessment is more engaging, which means they are encouraged to persist longer and try harder.

NSW schools will participate in a school readiness test between **14 August** and **22 September, 2017**. The school readiness test is a 'practice run' for schools to assess their technology ahead of NAPLAN Online. The readiness test is not an assessment of student ability. The readiness test allows schools to:

- become familiar with the NAPLAN Online test format and processes
- check whether they have the technical capacity, rooms and devices to administer NAPLAN Online
- provide students in NAPLAN years 3, 5, 7 and 9 with the opportunity to experience the online test question types and format by completing a practice NAPLAN online test.

WORKING BEE:

Put it on the calendar! This term's Working Bee will be on **Saturday, 24th June** from 9am. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to attend and assist in:

- Redistributing the mulch from the western fence line;
- Weeding, edging and beautifying our grounds / gardens.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Students at Faulconbridge Public School have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of extracurricular activities. These activities offer opportunities for students to learn the values of teamwork, individual and group responsibility, physical strength and endurance, competition, diversity, and a sense of culture and community. Our school curriculum and extracurricular activities complement each other and develop a well-rounded, socially skilled, and healthier student.

Relieving Principal's Report Continued...

We are very fortunate here at Faulconbridge to have teachers and community members that are willing to offer these opportunities to our students. These are just some of the programs that are on offer for our students:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	African Drumming	Primary Choir	Wind Orchestra	Infants Choir	Concert Band
Lunch	Library	Library	Stage Band	Library	Library
		Coding Club		Stg. 3 Dance	Gardening Club
					Stg. 1 Dance
Recess	Spanish lessons		Ukulele Club (beg.)	Drawing Club	
			Stg. 2 Dance		

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:

Week 6	Oliver (34BC)	Mitchell (34BM)	Amelia (KCL)	Noah (KCL)	Kayla (34P)	Lilah (KCL)
Week 7						

OUR PBL FOCUS :



1. Walk quietly so others can continue learning.
2. Be honest

Relieving Principal's Report Continued...

STUDENT INFORMATION UPDATE :

We are always updating our system here at school and we are finding that some of the information we have is not current and needs our urgent attention. I ask you to send in, where necessary: change of phone numbers, contact details, address, emergency contacts and doctor's details. We need to have all the relevant information if something was to happen. You may also want to include other important details in a letter stating extra medical information, plans for an asthma attack or custody details (along with accompanying papers of proof) or anything you feel is important for our school to know about your child. I assure you that all matters are dealt with in the strictest of confidence. These records are not shared with anyone outside of the school or outside of the staff. If there is an emergency of some sort within the school, we want to be able to contact you as quickly as is possible. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

SAFETY ISSUES:

Parking in the bus bay and not using the designated crossing – these are very dangerous practices and are offences subject to fines. Please use the RMS crossing whenever escorting your child to school and never drop off or pick up from the bus bay. These reminders are made in the spirit of caring for our children.

CHILDREN ARRIVING AT SCHOOL BEFORE 8.25AM

Staff members are concerned that a number of children are arriving at school before teacher supervision commences at 8.25am. I too have noticed quite a few children at school when I arrive at approximately 7.30 in the morning. If there are exceptional circumstances that make it impossible to arrange before school care, please encourage your child to remain seated under the Big Top until the morning bell rings at 8.25am.

LOST PROPERTY:

It goes without saying, clothing is costly to replace so it is essential we all try to eliminate this unwarranted expense for families. As the colder weather approaches it is wonderful to see children wearing uniform jumpers. We do however; seem to accumulate a collection of misplaced clothing each day. This can be avoided when children have their names clearly marked on their property so items can be returned easily. Please label all jumpers, jackets, hats and personal possessions with a permanent marker and every effort will be made at school to reunite jumpers with students.

UNIFORM:

It is wonderful to see our students looking smart in their school uniforms. Students should be wearing their **winter** uniforms as the weather has started to cool down. I am pleased to see so many parents/carers encouraging their children to wear their uniforms with pride. The uniform strengthens the team ethic and allows all students to take pride in the way they present each day. An important part of this is the correct **school hat**.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mr Earl

A Day In KCL!

Students in KCL have settled very well into school life. Our days are very busy filled with lots of learning but we always make time to have some fun! Some of our students would like to share what they have enjoyed about Kindergarten so far!

"I like KCL because we get to play in the classroom" - Alexander

"I like to make all the drawings and paintings" - Amalee

"I like writing" - Alieria

"I like to play with my friends outside" - Noah

"I like to play with my friends and play with toys and learn to write" - Darcy

"I like to play with my friends and to do work and to play with the toys and play groups and menuboard" - Katie

"I like English and Maths" - Carissa

"I like to play and jump" - Amelia





Year 6 Signature Boots, Balls and Bears

Blue Mountains Ugg Boots have created 'Signature Boots' for our year 6 2017 students. This week a note went home with all of the details. There are also samples of boots in the office. Please email Blue Mountains Ugg Boots on sales@uggboots.com.au to ask questions and register your intent to purchase boots.

Please note that students will still be able to order a signature bear or ball through FPS in term 4.

Warm regards,

Paul Thomson



Faulconbridge Public School

PBL Award

Presented to: **Tm 2, Week 6**

KCL: Connor W, Tyler D, Carissa P

KW: Austin B, Isabella O, Aurelia J

K/1B: Ethan H, Kira P, Roven R

1/2H: Aryelle T, Emma G, Flynn J

1/2K: Zach M, Eloise H, Rebecca M

1/2L: Tyra L, Jeremy H, Sian W

1/2S: Abbey T, Oscar T, Chloe



Faulco PS P&C

President: Sarah Emmanuel

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War on Waste

The current ABC TV series War on Waste has been part of the school focus this term. No longer can I buy a coffee without a two hour reflection on the billion coffee cups that go to landfill each year. I am pummelled with abuse from an 8 year old whose only concern is neglecting the plastic wrapped lunch I prepare each morning as I

sip from my disposable coffee cup and drag out the overflowing bin! I am learning though, through my increasingly concerned child, that reducing waste will not only help mitigate against complete environmental collapse but will also ensure a more harmonious hot beverage experience when my children are around. To help Faulco families come together again over coffee, the Blackboard Cafe will restock supplies of the extremely environmentally friendly Keep-Cup. Bring it along to the cafe for reduced-price coffee each Wednesday and Friday! The cafe and P&C are also considering stocking low waste lunch packaging to help families reduce the amount of waste we as a community contribute to our landfill. Watch this space for more...but in the meanwhile...reduce, re-use and recycle for a happier home life!



Blackboard Cafe

The Blackboard Cafe have made the bold move towards supplying our hungry school children with what is like a canteen but not. In term 3, the incredible team at the cafe will be offering a sushi lunch on what may be a weekly basis, most likely a Wednesday. Check out the FPS P&C Facebook page to offer feedback on just how much sushi you and your gang would like to see offered and when.

Join Our P&C

Got \$2? Bring it along to the next meeting and become a member.

1

NEXT MEETING

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

2

FACEBOOK

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

3

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising committee
meeting 13th June
7pm Springwood
Sports Club



Destination

DISCOVER

YMCA VACATION CARE






July 2017 Holiday Program

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
3 July	4 July	5 July	6 July	7 July
Daycamp Christmas in July Enjoy the festivities while we deck the halls with our specially made decorations & Christmas food \$51	Excursion Sports Clinic at Hawkesbury Stadium We will be travelling to YMCA Hawkesbury for a mini sports tournament \$70	Daycamp Wacky Wednesday Come dressed in your wackiest clothes and participate in all things Wacky! Inspired by Dr Seuss \$51	Incursion Silent Disco Put on your headphones and dance to the music like no one is watching! \$66	Adventures of Walt Disney An interactive day with all things Disney from movies, to craft, behind the scenes and more! \$51
10 July	11 July	12 July	13 July	14 July
Daycamp Back to Nature A day to reflect on all things nature. We will be having a scavenger hunt around the school \$51	Daycamp Emergency Services visits Join us when local Emergency services visit and get a tour of their vehicles! \$51	Daycamp Wheels Day Bring your wheels and enjoy a ride around our playground! We will also learning about road safety \$51	Excursion Inflatable World Get excited and jump around at Inflatable World in St Marys \$66	Incursion Runaway with the Circus Workshop Learn new circus tricks in an interactive circus workshop with Benny! \$70
17 July	 <div style="background-color: black; color: white; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> GET 50% OFF FRIDAYS! </div>			
Daycamp Pirates Ahoy! Come dressed as a pirate and follow the clues and find the hidden treasure \$51				

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NATIONAL TRUST



Everglades Historic House & Gardens will provoke and challenge environmental change by opening its closet to a secret stash of exotic animals in June 2017.

The Wunderkammer exhibition of ethically-sourced taxidermed animals by artist Rod McRae will be displayed at the Leura landmark from 10 June to 27 August (11am to 3pm), with one of the exhibits to be displayed at the Hydro Majestic Hotel at Medlow Bath.

Wunderkammer, which means "closet of secrets", has been on the regional art gallery circuit since 2013 and consists of 15 portals into what was, what is and what could be. Each work explores an animal "issue" using real preserved animal bodies (taxidermy) to tell their stories including trophy hunting, displacement, poisoning. A polar bear teeters on a refrigerator, a zebra is in a shipping crate on which is written a "shopping list" of animals available for hunt, there are penguin skeletons alongside shards of plastic and a list of harmful chemicals, a faceless baboon holding a mirror towards its head and the king of the jungle playing on a bed – with a chain around its neck.

However, no animal was harmed to make the artwork. The skins were the result of death by natural causes, medical euthanasia, hunting, culling and food production and had been traded on, sometimes multiple times before they became part of Wunderkammer. The skin of the baboon is a by-product of trophy taking. McRae aimed to provoke thought, discussion and, ultimately, change through the sometimes hideous displays.

Wunderkammer will give children a chance to get up close to animals that they may never see in their lifetime. They will get a glimpse of how the actions of a developed world can affect the existence of some of our most treasured animals.

The works included in Wunderkammer are managed by the Western Plains Cultural Centre, a facility of Dubbo Regional Council.

Where: 37 Everglades Avenue, Leura

When: 10 June - 27 August 2017; 11am-3pm

Cost: Adults - \$13; Children - \$4

T: 4784 1938



Wunderkammer

The Cabinet of Wonders

Exhibition Opening
Saturday 10 June - 2pm

Faux Fur Luncheon
Saturday 24 June - 12:30pm

Luncheon Bookings
4784 1974 or friends@everglades@gmail.com

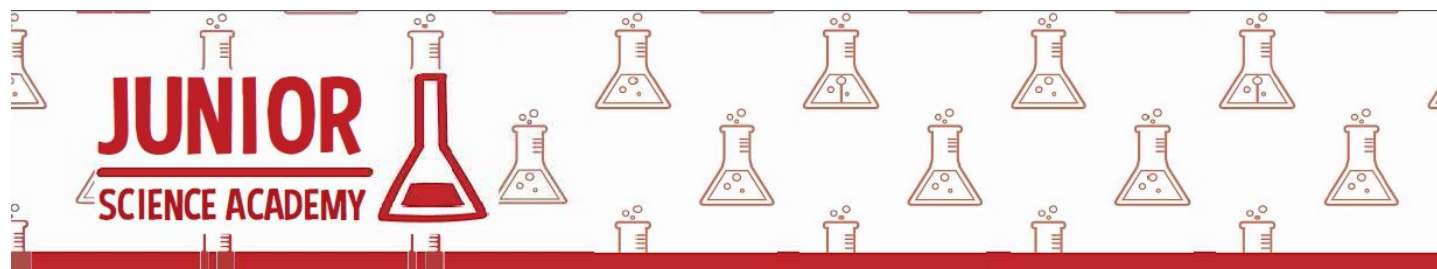
Everglades Garden Gallery
11 June to 27 August - 11am to 3pm



Everglades Historic House & Gardens
37 Everglades Avenue, Leura
4784 1938 - everglades@nationaltrust.com.au



Are you my mother, 2010



SCHOOL HOLIDAY COURSE AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY - juniorscienceacademy.com.au

At the Junior Science Academy, children are introduced to science concepts and skills in a safe and supervised environment at Macquarie University.

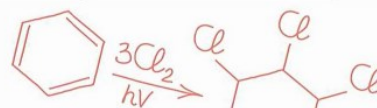
The courses aim to teach the concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft and other hands-on activities.

We provide students with experiences and activities that help them to understand a concept or gain knowledge in an active way.

We add and rotate courses each school holidays and drop off and pick up times are designed for the working parent. The Junior Science Academy is for children in years K-6 in primary school.



Drop Off	8:30am-9:30 am
Activities	9:30am-4:30pm
Pick-Up	4:30pm-5:30pm
Cost	\$120



Springwood & Districts Basketball JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC

When: July 3rd & 4th

Time: 9.00 – 3.00 pm
Registration from 8.40 am

Cost: \$50 for 2 days (or \$30 for 1 day)

Ages: 5+ All abilities

Bring: recess, lunch & plenty of water, plus a ball



**Springwood & Districts
Basketball Association Inc.**

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SWOT

SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS COACHING CLINIC

SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS, SPRING STREET, SPRINGWOOD

Mon 10th to Fri 14th July 2017 (9AM to 3PM)

JUNIORS 5YRS TO 16YRS. BEGINNERS TO ADVANCED. FULL SUPERVISION.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE RING 4751 5383 OR 0416 083 472.

STUDENTS GRADED INTO GROUPS DEPENDING ON AGE AND ABILITY. COACHING HELD WET OR FINE, RACQUETS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE. LUNCH PROVIDED ON FRIDAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRIZE GIVING.

ENTRANCE FEE: = \$160 (including GST)

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

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NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____ AGE: _____

PHONE: _____ (please enclose \$160 fee with this form)

PARENTS SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: ____ / ____ / 2017

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PO BOX 473 SPRINGWOOD NSW 2777 WITH CHEQUE PAYABLE TO *SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS.*



Penrith City Children's Choir

is about to start its second project for 2017

'Fabulous Forty!'

directed by

Lucy McAlary

Boys and girls (7 – 13 years) are invited to join us for this project:
Workshops Sundays 25 June (Part I) and 6 and 20 August (Part II)
Public performance Sunday 27 August

If you love to sing, please join us.

No auditions!

For further information contact the Administrator, Liz Strasser:
0418 202 849 or pccc@penrithcitychoir.com.au

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



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