

Learn to Live

Term 1, Week 6 (8th March, 2018)

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

MARCH 2018

Fri 9	Last Day for Yr 6 Shirt Orders K-2 Assembly
Wed 14	Final Canberra Payment Due
Fri 16	K-6 Assembly
Wed 21	Canberra Excursion - Stage 3
Thu 22	Canberra Excursion - Stage 3
Fri 23	Canberra Excursion - Stage 3 K-2 Assembly
Tue 27	Responsible Pet Incursion
Fri 30	Good Friday - Public Holiday

APRIL 2018

Mon 2	Easter Monday - Public Holiday
Fri 6	3-6 Assembly
Fri 13	K-6 Assembly Last day of Term 1
Mon 30	Staff Development Day

MAY 2018

Tues 1	Students Return for Term 2
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Principal: Mrs C Frith

Assistant Principal Stage 1: Mrs N Bridges, Mrs K Carter (Relieving)

Assistant Principal Stage 2: Mrs K Jansons

Assistant Principal Stage 3: Mr P Earl

Notes Home



- ◆ Kitchen Garden Permission - Stage 3
- ◆ Year 6 T-Shirts (Due: 9th March)
- ◆ Roofing Works Information
- ◆ Volunteer Induction Evening
- ◆ Primary Choir Years 3-6

Assembly Dates

Fridays commencing 11.30am

March 9th	K-2 Assembly
March 16th	K-6 Assembly
March 23rd	K-2 Assembly
April 6th	3-6 Assembly
April 13th	K-6 Assembly

School Activities Update

Kitchen Garden Classes - Term 1

Monday - 5/6CT, 5/6M, 5/6T

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: KSC, K/1W, 4/5P, 1/2H

Tuesday: KS, 5/6M, 5/6T, 3/4J

Thursday: 3/4ZR, 1/2D, 5/6CT

Friday: 1/2B, 2/3D

Music

Monday: KS, 3/4J, 3/4ZR, 2/3S

Tuesday: K/1W, 5/6CT, 4/5P

Wednesday: 1/2B, KSC, 5/6, 5/6M

Friday: 1/2H, 1/2D



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

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Roofing Works

Thank you for your understanding and patience as the roofing work begins. It is anticipated that the new roofing and guttering on 'Y Block' will be complete within two weeks, weather permitting. This means our main entrance will be a little tighter for entry and exit for a short while. It may mean that the Meeks Crescent entrance is an easier alternative for your entry and exit from the school



We ask that you adhere to any safety directions and signage during the works, so that we can keep everyone safe.

Once 'Y Block' is completed the work will start on 'B Block' and 'C Block'. This will mean that some school programs will not be able to occur towards the end of term. Classes will be relocated to the library, demountable and computer room during these periods.

Once the perimeter fence and scaffolding is in place for 'B Block' and 'C Block', the garden will be not be able to be accessed until the work is completed. Again, we ask for your patience as we work through the logistics of having such a large-scale project occurring during the term. We will keep you updated on the progress of the works and any expected changes.

Community Communication Meeting

Communication: *the imparting or exchanging of information by speaking, writing, or using some other medium, the successful conveying or sharing of ideas.*

Thank you everyone who took the time to respond to our quick survey regarding a community Communication meeting on Meet the Teacher evening and BBQ. There was a wide enough response for us to trial this process during 2018. This is an initiative to improve our communication with the school community.

Our first meeting will be on **Monday 26th March at 7pm in the Library**. The topics we will cover include:

- The new School Plan for 2018-2020
- The Annual School report
- Student Wellbeing and how we support students at school.

We are also happy to take questions about particular topics or issues, however we would appreciate any questions in advance so that we can ensure we can provide the information necessary on the evening. Please forward any questions you may have to our school email account prior to the 20th March. Questions asked on the night may need to be taken 'on notice' and answered at a subsequent meeting.

Playground Equipment

Mr Earl and myself met this week with the representative from the Department of Education Assets Management Unit and contractors tendering for the work to replace our playground equipment. At this stage we are anticipating that the work will be completed in May.

Tender submissions for new fixed playground equipment close on Wednesday, 21st March. We look forward to reviewing the designs and specifications.



Principal's Report Continued...

Feedback

We work hard to create a school community that is safe, respectful and supports successful learning. We try to resolve issues as quickly as we can, so that our students can learn in an environment where families and teachers work together to achieve the best outcomes.

If you have a complaint, compliment or suggestion about any aspect of our school, please contact us. We value your feedback and are committed to dealing with issues thoroughly and fairly.

You can also let us know if you have any suggestions or if you think we're doing something well.

Most problems can be resolved by talking about them, so start by contacting your child's teacher, or by talking to school office staff. You can raise your complaint directly in person, by email, over the telephone or by letter if you prefer. Make a time to meet with the teacher or phone the school and ask for an appointment. It helps us to resolve complaints if you are able to provide clear information about what happened and what you would like us to do, and if you are respectful and reasonable in the way you approach the situation.

When responding to an issue or complaint, we may do one or more of the following:

- take action to fix the matter or improve the situation
- apologise
- provide an explanation
- acknowledge that the situation could have been handled better or differently
- undertake to review the department's policies in light of the complaint

Sometimes, we may not be able to change what has happened or the complaint manager will decide that the original decision was appropriate in the circumstances. Whatever the outcome, the complaint manager will give you clear reasons for their decision. This may be in a meeting, by telephone or by email.

Volunteer Induction

An additional induction session will be held on Monday 12th March at 7pm for those parents who were unable to attend the morning session.

It will cover a safety briefing & emergency procedures, sign in/out procedures, child protection, WWCC requirements, contact people, first aid, student supervision and duty of care. It is good to know that we can keep everyone safe in an emergency and that we have met all our Child Protection and Working with Children Check rules. It is important to sign in and sign out so we know exactly who is on our school site at any given time.

If you are considering helping in the classroom or the school, as **parent volunteer** (parent or close relative) you must complete the Appendix 5 Declaration form and provide 100 points of proof identity to the front office. These documents should be provided prior to commencing volunteer work. The school then needs to complete their processes, with completed Appendix 5 forms and 100 points proof of identity documentation securely filed and our school register updated. These documents are auditable and must be current at all times. Please assist the office staff by completing these forms and providing 100 points proof of identity documentation.

Non-parent volunteers require a Working with Children Check, 100 points of proof of identity and completion of Appendix 11. Working with Children Checks can be applied for on the Roads and Maritime (RMS) website.

Principal's Report Continued...

Birthdays

I would like to start a new birthday tradition at Faulconbridge Public School. In the week your child has their birthday, they will come to my office to get a birthday card and a special treat. This will be an opportunity for me to see each and every child each year, to celebrate their growth and achievements, and to acknowledge their birthday milestone.

As this is a new initiative it will take a short time to get organised and catch up from the beginning of the year. All students who have had birthdays in January and February will be included over the next few weeks as we get started.



Cub Award Morning Tea

Congratulations to our Cub Award winners:

Week 5	Max C - 1/2D	Gordon H - 3/4ZR	Laura G - 3/4ZR
	Zachary A - 3/4J	Lincoln B - 1/2B	Max G - 1/2B
Week 6	Lachie B - 3/4ZR	Kayla W - 5/6CT	Marissa B - 5/6T
	Sienna K - 1/2D	Aliera B - K/1W	Matilda M - 1/2D

Mrs Carol Frith
Principal

1/2D Exploring contrasting colours and shapes



BLUE MOUNTAINS PSSA SELECTIONS:

Congratulations to the students below who have been selected to represent the Blue Mountains PSSA in their chosen sport. We wish them the best of luck at their upcoming regional carnivals.

- ◆ Zane P - Softball
- ◆ Tiana H - Soccer
- ◆ Ashton D - Soccer
- ◆ Lachlan H - Soccer
- ◆ Tom E - Tennis
- ◆ Grace R - Netball



ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL:

I would also like to congratulate the children who represented Faulconbridge Public School at the Zone Swimming Carnival. We finished 8th overall and had 5 students make it through to the Regional Carnival at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre. Thank you to Mr Cleary and Miss Paull for attending the carnival with our students.

- ◆ Eliza B - 9yrs 50m Freestyle
- ◆ Grace R - Senior Relay
- ◆ Indigo L - Senior Relay
- ◆ Tarana S - Senior Relay
- ◆ Krystal W - 11yrs 50m Freestyle, 11yrs Butterfly, Senior Relay



PULSE DANCE SUCCESS:

Congratulations to Chloe S who has successfully auditioned for the Junior Pulse Dance Ensemble. This is Chloe's second year in the ensemble and we are very proud of her achievements.





Faulconbridge Public School

PBL Award

TERM 1

WEEK 5

Presented to:

2/3S	Gemma W	Being a hard-working learner at all times
2/3S	Miah T	Always being a respectful learner
3/4J	Conor O	Completing & handing in homework
3/4J	Mia G	Sitting & attending during class floor discussions
3/4J	Jack R	Being a mature and sensible class member
3/4J	Oliver N	Dedication to his learning
3/4ZR	Winter M	Being a kind, respectful student
3/4ZR	Patrick D	Being safe in the classroom & playground
3/4ZR	Eliza B	Working to her best in all areas
3/4ZR	Melissa S	Always being respectful to others
4/5P	Noah B	Being safe at school
4/5P	Annabelle R	Showing respect for others at all times
4/5P	Emily S	Working hard in grammar
4/5P	Niklas O	Being beautifully focused in class
5/6CT	Ewan L	Contributing insightful thoughts & ideas to class discussions
5/6CT	April M	Consistently showing kindness & care to her classmates
5/6CT	Holly C	Showing integrity in her care for others & respecting our school values
5/6CT	Jayden S	Displaying enthusiasm & enjoyment in all aspects of his learning
5/6M	Saee B	An informative report on Federal Parliament
5/6M	Mitchell B	Being a wonderful part of Faulconbridge Public School
5/6M	Isabelle C	Showing respect & manners in class at all times
5/6M	Mia S	Excellent learning in maths lessons
5/6T	Mahailia B	A well-written & delivered speech
5/6T	Marissa B	Creative narrative story writing
5/6T	Emily B	A focused approach to all class activities
5/6T	Ella D	Being a positive role model to others

3-6 Assembly



SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL AND GET COLLECTING



We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools for our school. Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive.

coles

Faulconbridge Public School has registered for the
Coles Sports for Schools Program for 2018.

During the Sports for Schools program, families will be able to collect Coles Sports for Schools vouchers each time they shop at Coles. Vouchers can then be returned to the collection box at school, stored on the **verandah where the Cub Award boxes are located**.

In addition, Faulconbridge Public School has a collection box located at **Coles Winmalee**.

All vouchers need to be returned to the school by 11th May 2018.

How does it work?



STEWART HOUSE 2018 Donation Drive

Return to the School
Office by Friday 11th
May, 2018.

Win a family holiday valued at \$4,000! The Stewart House Donation Drive envelopes will be sent home this week. Entry into the draw is only \$2.00 for your chance to win a family holiday valued at \$4,000 to the destination of your choice.

WIN A \$4,000 HOLIDAY
to a destination
of your choice



NSW Public Education's
Charity of Choice

Stewart House Donation Drive 2018

Your donation supports the 1,800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

Please place a \$2 coin or equivalent in this envelope, complete entry details on the back and return to your school or workplace co-ordinator to be eligible for the draw.

Faulconbridge Public School Office by
to participate in the draw



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Families & Supporters

Follow these 3 easy steps



- STEP 1...** Take home the envelope and fill in your name, address, telephone number and school.
- STEP 2...** Insert a donation of at least \$2 into the envelope and seal it.
- STEP 3...** Return the envelope to your school / office.

SCHOOL BANKING

2018 will take students on a super saver adventure through school banking.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2018 are:

- Twister Power Handball
- Secret Scratch Pad
- Sparkle Glitter Pens
- Glow Light
- Mighty Boom Handball
- Heat Reactor Pencils
- Slushie Maker Cup
- Zoom Flying Disc



Rewards can be redeemed by visiting the Commonwealth Bank school banking website commbank.com.au/schoolbanking to view the available rewards and print the Rewards Card.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

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 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 all on Friday before school under the Big Top.

The Banking Ladies



SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way

...to use sunscreen!

What does sunscreen do?

Sunscreen acts as a barrier, filtering UV radiation by absorbing and reflecting UV rays away from your skin.

Make sunscreen a habit!

In the morning, check if the UV will be 3 or above and apply sunscreen before heading out for the day.



Use SPF30+ broad-spectrum water-resistant sunscreen 20 mins before going outside. Make sure you reapply at least every 2 hours.

Sunscreen is just one part of sun protection! Remember to use sun-safe hats, clothing and sunglasses and seek out shade.

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to www.sunsmartnsw.com.au



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Richmond Community Services Inc. (RCSI) & Neighbourhood Centremaking a difference....



Beating Bullying WITH FREE CHILDCARE	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 28th March 2018	6.30 - 9pm	
Helping Teens with Risky Behaviours	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of teens	Weds 4th April 2018	6.30 - 9pm	
Toddler Behaviour - Tactics for Parents WITH FREE CHILDCARE	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 11th April 2018	10am - 12.30pm	
My Space - Your Space—Socialisation Skills for Primary School Kids	For Primary school children aged 5-8years	Tuesday 17th April 2018	9.30am - 12.30pm	
Stress Management for Dads WITH FREE CHILDCARE	For Dads	2 x Monday evenings 30th April & 7th May 2018	6.30-9pm	