

Learn to Live

Term 3, Week 2 (2nd August, 2019)

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

TERM 3 - August 2019

Wed 7	Group A Kindy Transition
Fri 9	Open Day/ Grandparents Day
Tue 13	Triple P Program
Wed 14	Group B Kindy Transition
Mon 19	C.A.R.E.S. (Year 4)
Tue 20	C.A.R.E.S. (Year 4) Triple P
Wed 21	Group A Kindy Transition
Tue 27	Triple P
Wed 28	Group B Kindy Transition
Wed 28	Fathers Day Stall
Thur 29	Book Parade
Fri 30	Fathers Day Breakfast

SEPTEMBER 2019

Mon 2 to Fri 13	Swim Scheme Limited spaces - Year 2 & Up Only
Tue 3	Triple P
Wed 4	Group A Kindy Transition
Fri 6	Zone Athletics Carnival @ BISP
Mon 9	Kindy Parent Evening Session 2
Wed 11	Group B Kindy Transition
Wed 18	Group A Kindy Transition
Tue 24	Triple P
Wed 25	Group B Kindy Transition

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 (2/3C, 1/2H, 1/2G, 1/2S)
- ◆ Change of teacher (K/1J)
- ◆ Father's Day Stall
- ◆ Raffle ticket permission
- ◆ C.A.R.E.S (Year 4)
- ◆ Swimming Scheme (Year 2)
- ◆ Change of teacher (3/4ZP)

REMINDER:

School banking
Friday mornings at 8:30am

Uniform Shop:
Now open Fridays 8:20 to
9:20am

Assembly Dates

**** NEW TIME ****

Fridays commencing 2pm

TERM 3

9th August—K-6 Assembly
16th August—K-2
23rd August—3-6

School Activities Update

Kitchen Garden Classes - Term 2

Monday - 2/3C- 9:30am, 1/2H - 11:30am, 1/2G - 12:30pm, 1/2S - 2pm

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)

Tuesday: 2/3C, 3/4J, 3/4Z, 4/5S

Wednesday: KC, KW, K/1J, 1/2G, 1/2H, 1/2S, 5/6P, 5/6S, 5/6T

Library Days

Tuesday: 3/4Z, 3/4J, KW

Wednesday: 5/6S, 5/6P, KC

Thursday: 2/3C, K/1J, 5/6T

Friday: 1/2G, 4/5S, 1/2S, 1/2H

Music

Monday: KW, K/1J, 3/4ZP, 3/4J

Tuesday: KC, 5/6P, 1/2S, 4/5S

Wednesday: 2/3C, 5/6T, 5/6S, 1/2H

Thursday: 1/2G

Choir

3-6: Sopranos Tuesday 8:00am, Altos Thursday 8:00am in the Main Hall

K-2: 8:15am Thursdays in the Music Room



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

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Athletics Carnival

What wonderful weather we had last Friday for our Athletics Carnival at Tom Hunter Park. The students' enthusiasm and participation were visible from the start of the day and didn't seem to fade. Thank you to our staff who made sure every event happened. Thank you to the Stage 2 teachers and Mr Cleary for organising and coordinating the Yr 3-6 events.

This year we trialled using a Sport in School company to run our K-2 events. The feedback was very positive, and we will aim to book the company again next year.

Our day would not have happened so seamlessly without the ever-present wonderful volunteers who contribute in so many ways to our school, and especially these events. Thank you to those who helped with, or ran, events, to those who assisted at the café and canteen, to those who prepared the food behind the scenes, and to those who contributed cakes on the day. Parent participation in these events is one of the hallmarks of our school, and contributes to the positive "vibe" at Faulconbridge PS.

I'm sure most people also took advantage of the BBQ last Friday. Thank you once again to our local Rotary Club for willingly giving up their time to cook for us all day.

Staffing news

Mrs Johnston has indicated that she is unable to continue to teach K/1J in a full-time capacity. In the best interests of the students I have asked Miss Kemp to teach K/1J.

We wish Mrs Johnston all the best, and will perhaps see her in the school for the occasional casual teacher booking.

It is Mrs Price's final day with us today before she has her baby. Mrs Price has been teaching 3/4ZP on a Friday each week. We wish Mrs Price well with the arrival of the new addition to her family. Mrs Langworthy will be teaching 3/4ZP on Fridays.

Upgrades and maintenance

Over the vacation period the school was a busy worksite. Our synthetic turf was laid near the chessboard, outside B and C blocks. This area will be used as a calm space, for quiet activities during playground breaks. Thank you to Year 6, 2018 fundraising committee and the P&C for contributing along with the school to the cost of the turf.

Also, over the vacation period, all the double classrooms had their operable walls replaced. This was a mammoth effort with the old concertina screens in the kindy rooms weighing over 200kgs each, and the old walls in B and C block weighing closer to 700kgs each. These were all removed and replaced with new operable walls which meet current standards and are WHS compliant. They certainly freshen up the classrooms, as we work towards creating future focused learning spaces for our students.

Transition to School

It is time to enrol children who will turn 5 before 31st July 2020. Our Kindergarten 2020 Transition to school program begins next week. If you have a neighbour who is intending to send their child to school next year, who has not yet enrolled, can you ask them to please contact the school as soon as possible so they can be included in our transition program.

This year we are conducting three parent information sessions, along with seven transition sessions for the children, and a whole day at school in December. Our first transition evening was on Wednesday night, and it was well attended. Thank you to Mrs Bridges and Mrs Carter for a professional presentation to the parents.

If you are moving out of the area, also please advise the school as soon as you know that your children will not be attending Faulconbridge Public School in 2020.

Education Week 5th – 9th August

We will be celebrating Education Week this year on Friday 9th August.

On this day we will also be celebrating Grandparents Day. The activities will start at 12:30pm with Open Classrooms, followed by games and activities outside. We will then have a picnic lunch, before our K-6 assembly where we will showcase some of the many talented students in our school.

Principal's Report Continued...

Fathers Day Stall

Please note the date of the Fathers' Day Stall has changed to Wednesday 28th August, due to a clash with our Book Week activities on Thursday 29th August. The Fathers' Day Breakfast is still on Friday 30th August. A big thank you to our P&C volunteers for their flexibility in supporting our school events and working cooperatively with us in the best interests of the students.

CUB AWARD MORNING TEA:

Congratulations to our Cub Award winners for 2019:

Term 3 Week 1		Safe	Respectful	Learner
	K-2	Josh D - 1/2S	Nicholas W - 1/2H	Ethan V - 1/2S
	3-6	Lily C - 5/6S	Ethan T - 3/4J	Bowen B - 5/6S
Term 3 Week 2		Safe	Respectful	Learner
	K-2	Max V - KW	Millie C - KW	Kalee B - KC
	3-6	James C - 5/6S	Jackson S - 3/4J	James C - 5/6S

Mrs Carol Frith
Principal

GRANDPARENTS DAY

Friday, 9th August

Here at Faulconbridge we acknowledge and recognise the significant contributions that parents, caregivers and grandparents make to their families.

We would therefore like to invite you all up to the school on **Friday, 9th August** to thank you for your ongoing love and support. The day will include classroom visits, games and activities and a K-6 assembly that showcases some of the Creative and Performing Arts opportunities available at the school.

Time	Activity
12.25	Open Classrooms
12.55	Games and Activities (led by Year 6)
1.25	Recess
2.00	K-6 Assembly

OUR STUDENTS at the 2019 PULSE CONCERT

It was once again my great pleasure to accompany our students to their annual Pulse Concert performance at the Sydney Opera House.

On Thursday 4th July, 20 Year 6 choir students and 2 string instrumentalists travelled into the city for their final combined rehearsal with 800 other children from across the Sydney Region before performing at their concert later that evening. It was a long, tiring but rewarding experience for everyone.

They were, as always, outstanding ambassadors for our school. Congratulations to all of them.

I am sure that everyone who attended would agree that it was an amazing evening.

The performances by our State School Students were magnificent. Our Primary and Secondary Massed Choirs sang in perfect harmony. There were also amazing performances from the Pulse Big Band, Pulse Concert Band and the Pulse Strings Ensemble. The diverse range of individual items on the night was also of a very high quality.

Congratulations to Oscar T and Jeremy K who performed in the Pulse String Ensemble. It was also pleasing to see past Faulconbridge Public School students performing.

The concert once again concluded on a high note. The finale was a fantastic sight to see from the audience's perspective. There was an amazing combined performance of a "Queen Medley" which I'm sure had everyone toe-tapping and singing all the way home. The energy and excitement that could be seen in our students was obvious from beginning to end.





The 2019 Pulse Choir



Jeremy K



Oscar T

I would like to extend an enormous heart felt thank you to all of the parents, caregivers, family members and friends of our students for their help and support leading up to and including the day, afternoon break and evening performance. Without you this wonderful experience would not have been possible for the children.

Yours Chorally

Miss Theoharis

THE WALL

I live in a town, high up above trees.
On the edge of a cliff, where we all catch the breeze.
There's a strong, grey brick wall, layered with tin,
So those inside can't get out,
And those outside can't get in.

I was confused and perplexed,
Wondering what I'd do next.
Then I heard a call saying
"What's behind the wall?"

And so I crept out one windy night,
I tried and tried with all my might.
Not to wonder, not to discover,
But I knew there was a truth I had to uncover.

I dug a tunnel and crawled inside.
I let my heart be my guide.
I burst through the ground
And knew I'd gone out-of-bounds.

I saw huge mountains and glistening trees,
And felt I was glorious, happy and victorious.
And then I turned and the world seemed to freeze.

It was towering and dark,
Bigger than a whale shark,
Its teeth glistened in the night
I nearly died of fright!

Now I know why they built the wall there..

To keep out this nightmare...

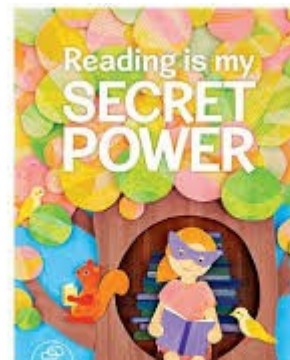




SAVE THE DATE!

Faulconbridge Public School will be holding our annual Book Parade on **Thursday 29th August**. (Week 6) We would love for our families and friends to come and join in the fun!

This year's theme is, "Reading is My Secret Power". We would love to see all our students dressed up accordingly! Costumes for the book parade can be inspired by this year's theme or by a character from your child's favourite book!

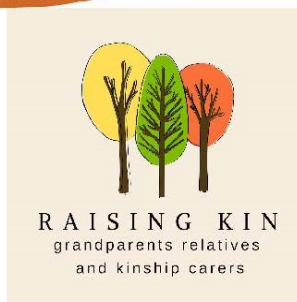


The parade will start at 12:30 at the Big Top (weather permitting). This will be followed by a reading picnic in the school grounds for recess. The Blackboard Café will be open for our visitors during the festivities.

Our picnic will be followed by a Book Week Book Forum for Stage Two and Three in the hall. Parents and friends are welcome to stay and attend. This will take place straight after our recess break.

We can't wait to see all our students (and teachers!!!) in costume!!!!

Jill Capuyan (Teacher Librarian)



2019

A support group

TERM 3 DATES

Raising Kin is a support group for grandparents, relatives and kinship carers who care for a child who is a relative. This group meet on the first Wednesday of the month during school terms. Come along to meet others who are the primary carers of a grandchild,

2019 Term 3 dates: WEDNESDAY August 7th & Sept 4th

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Venue: Tanderra OOSH, 14 Raymond Rd, Springwood

For more information and to RSVP please call

Jenny on 0450 001 393

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EBB & FLOW
STUDIO

Tuesday

Primary Art
Kinder - YR6
3/4pm - 5.30/6pm

Wednesday

High-school Art
YR6 - YR12
3/4pm - 5.30/6pm

Friday

High-school Art
YR6 - YR12
3/4pm - 5.30/6pm

Youth Art
Hobby Workshop
6.30pm - 8.30pm

Artist & Graphic Designer: Kerry-Anne

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The simplest way

... to pack a healthy lunch box

The average school child will eat more than 2,500 lunches during their 13 years at school.



Cancer Council's website healthy lunchbox.com.au is a one-stop-shop for everything families need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.

Parents will find information on the five food groups, what constitutes a healthy lunch box, sandwich alternatives, sandwich filling ideas, snack ideas, swaps for unhealthy snack foods, recipes and tips. The website features an [interactive healthy lunch box builder](http://healthy lunchbox.com.au) where parents can get their kids involved in planning the lunch box and choosing foods they will eat and enjoy.

healthy lunchbox.com.au



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FREE Mothers & Daughters Cultural Middle Eastern Dance Workshop

**Thurs 1st August 2019
6.30pm - 7.30pm Springwood**

Boost Your Daughter's Self Worth & Body Image while Bonding Together

Every girl, at every size and shape, is beautiful! New Springwood all ages Belly Dance classes run inside of school terms, they are multi generational, allowing mothers/aunties/grandmothers to bring their girls for an empowering time together celebrating each other, just like they do in the countries of origin of this ancient culturally rich dance.

Girls get in touch with their inner beauty and creative self expression through the ancient movements, building their self esteem and body confidence, all while enjoying quality time and sharing a laugh with their family members.

Try these classes out for FREE at this community workshop.



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SCHOOL BANKING

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.

School Banking day is **FRIDAY**. Each week you just need to give your bankbook to the banking ladies under the big top. Look for Pat the dog.

If you would like to know more about School Banking come see the banking ladies on **Friday morning between 8.30-9 under the big top**, or visit commbank.com.au/sch



TRIPLE P

TERM 3 2019

Come along to our 7 week parenting program.
For parents & carers with children aged 3-8 years.

Every Tuesday from 13th August—24th Sept. 2019
9.00 am to 10.45 am

Held at: Faulconbridge Public School, Grose Road

Bookings essential contact Liz on 02 4758 6811

The program will give you the tools to:

- Encourage positive behaviour from your child
- Deal positively and consistently with problem behaviour
- Take the stress out of parenting

TRIPLE P can also help to develop family relationships assisting children to reach their full potential



- Limited FREE child minding available—MUST BE BOOKED.
- Arrive 8.55 am to settle your children in; and
- Bring a nut free snack and a drink for your child.