

Learn to Live

Term 1, Week 2 (8th February, 2019)

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

FEBRUARY 2019

Tues 12	Swimming Carnival @ Lawson Pools
Wed 13	Volunteer Induction Meeting 9:30am Main Hall OR 7:00pm Library
Wed 20	Meet the Teacher 5-7pm
Thur 21	Springwood HS Expo - Stage 3
Fri 22	Zone Swimming Carnival @ Glenbrook Pools
Tue 26	AFL Auskick (after school clinic) 3:15 - 4:15pm on the oval (4 wks)
Thu 28	School Photo Day

MARCH 2019

Thu 7	Scripture begins
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APRIL 2019

Fri 5	Pedlar's Fair 10am—12:30pm
Fri 12	Last day of Term 1

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



- ◆ Welcome to KW
- ◆ Welcome to 1/2G
- ◆ Welcome to 1/2H
- ◆ Welcome to 1/2S
- ◆ Swimming Carnival (3-6) and (Year 2's turning 8 in 2019)
- ◆ Zone Sports Trials (selected students only)
- ◆ School Photo Day
- ◆ 2019 Library Monitor Application
- ◆ Kitchen Garden (5/6S, 5/6P, 5/6T)
- ◆ Blackboard Café Volunteers (Stage 3)

Assembly Dates

Fridays commencing 11.30am

TERM 1

15th February	3-6 Assembly
22nd February	K-2 Assembly
1st March	K-6 Assembly

School Activities Update



Kitchen Garden Classes - Term 1
Monday - 5/6S, 5/6P, 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)
T.B.A



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, 1/2S, 3/4Z, 3/4J
Tuesday: KC, 5/6P, K/1J, 4/5S
Wednesday: 1/2H
Thursday: 1/2G
Friday: 5/6T, 5/6S, 2/3C



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Website: <http://www.faulconbri-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Email: faulconbri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It has been a busy but settled start to our school year. We have increased our enrolment numbers in 2019 with a student population of 333 students across 13 classes. There are many opportunities for students to participate in school programs across the year, and the Kitchen Garden program will start for Stage 3 classes this week.

Communication from the school

Our school newsletter is the main source of information about our school, including upcoming events and key information. Our newsletter is uploaded to the school website each fortnight and is also distributed via the School ENews app. All notes sent home and all upcoming event information can be also be found on the website and the website is updated weekly.

From time to time family circumstances may change. When relationships breakdown it is important to maintain respectful communication with each other and the school. Notes will be sent home with the student, to the parent the child is residing with at that time. The non-residential parent can access all information on the website or via the School ENews app.

As always it is important to update your details at the front office to ensure the school has the correct information – address, emergency contacts, custody arrangements.

Learning Supplies and Voluntary Contributions

Each year every student/family is invoiced for Voluntary Contributions towards the operational expenses of running the school. Our voluntary contribution is \$46 for a student or \$75 for a family. This contribution is voluntary, and we appreciate the support of the families who make their contribution each year. This year we are also invoicing \$30 for Learning Supplies which will help purchase supplies used directly in the classrooms by students. This replaces the materials fee previously invoiced. All invoices will be issued next week. As you can understand prompt payment is always appreciated.

Volunteers

As we start the new school year it is important all our volunteers provide their Working with Children Check number, 100 points of ID and complete either Appendix 5 or 11. Please ensure your details are up to date at the front office.

This year we are inviting all volunteers to participate in an induction program. This will be a 30 minute session on Wednesday 13th February at 9:30am in the school hall or 7pm in the school library. Anyone who is planning to assist in classrooms or volunteer in the school is encouraged to attend. This session will include site compliance for Workplace Health and Safety, Working with Children Check, Child Protection, Emergency procedures, Signing in procedures and protocols, security, supervision and PBL. Refreshments will be provided.

Permission notes

There are many notes to be sent home requiring parental signature and prompt return to the office. Please check with your child to ensure you receive all notes.

Many of these notes require the school to obtain annual permission as circumstances can change.

The notes will cover:

- Internet permission
- Child protection
- 3rd party software providers (eg. Class Dojo)

Principal's Report Continued...

Safety and Security

Staff Carpark

In the interests of keeping students safe, we are asking that parents/carers and volunteers use the main pedestrian gate and avoid using the staff carpark as an entry point, or drop off zone. There are times during the school day when staff may need to leave or return from meetings. It would be appreciated if all members of the community refrained from using the staff carpark. We are continuing to keep the gate from the carpark to the school grounds locked to deter the carpark being used as a thoroughfare. We ask that only DET employees use the carpark.

Admin door

The door to the administration building that is closest to the carpark will also remain locked during the day. We ask all volunteers and visitors to enter the admin building via the main office door in the centre of the school. On arrival we request that volunteers and visitors sign in, as this is necessary to meet our WHS and Child Protection obligations for site management.

Staffroom

The staffroom and office area are specifically for staff and we request that you respect this space. Often times it feels like our staffroom is another thoroughfare with very little privacy or opportunities for confidentiality. It can be quite distracting when teachers are trying to get their work done while on Release from Face to Face (RFF) time, if volunteers and members of the community are walking through. We would like to maintain our inclusive school, and hope you understand the need for teachers to have their workspace respected.

First Cub Award Morning Tea

Congratulations to our first Cub Award winners for 2019:

		Safe	Respectful	Learner
Term 1	K-2	Clea B - KW	Connor W - 1/2H	William R - 1/2S
Week 2	3-6	Sian W - 4/5S	Ella O - 3/4Z	Jackson S - 3/4J
				Imogen B - 4/5S

Primary Swimming Carnival

Our Swimming Carnival is next Tuesday at Lawson Pool. I am looking forward to watching the students compete in a range of races and novelty events. Please ensure all permission notes are signed and returned, and money paid as soon as possible.

Meet the teacher Evening

This year we are running our Meet the Teacher evening on Wednesday 20th February from 5-7pm.

- 5:00pm K-2 Parents – meet in the hall for standard messages and then move to classrooms.
- 5:45pm BBQ hosted by staff
- 6:15pm 3-6 Parents – meet in the hall for standard messages and then move to classrooms.

Please remember this is time for general information about our school and your child's class. If you need to speak to your child's teacher about an individual matter, please make an appointment.

Scripture and Ethics

Due to an updated Department of Education policy regarding Special Religious Education (Scripture) and Special Ethics Education (SEE), we will be updating our records for each student regarding their participation in Scripture. If you choose for your child to NOT attend scripture classes, then they can be offered an Ethics Class. We are hoping to have our Ethics volunteers trained to begin Ethics classes in term 2. In the interim anyone electing Ethics will be placed in a group with non-scripture students for the last few weeks of term 1. We apologise for the inconvenience of another scripture permission note being sent home, and seek your cooperation in its prompt return. The note will be issued early next week.

2019 FPS Communication Channels

In 2018 our school communities' team in consultation with staff and community members have reviewed communication processes and practices at our school. As a result of the feedback we have decided to streamline our communications between home and school. As communication is as only good as the receiver, we encourage all our families to engage with all of our communication channels for 2019.

Newsletter

- Fortnightly, (even weeks) will be sent via eNews, (see attached instructions to sign up for eNews)
- Please read the newsletter each fortnight as it will include information regarding upcoming events, notes sent home, school timetable and activity updates as well as important general school information.

Website

- The school website will be used for organisational purposes that include upcoming events, newsletters, whole school and stage notes, general school information, contacts and promotion

Notes

- All *whole school, stage* and *grade* notes will be sent home via a paper copy, on eNews and on the website.
- *Class notes* that are relevant to your child's class only will go home via Class Dojo and/or a paper copy will be sent home. See class teacher for access to Class Dojo

Facebook

- Facebook will not be used for organisational information. It will include photos of school events, achievements, reminders of upcoming and previously advertised events
- The school Facebook account does allow for community members to private message the school with questions.
- The school will respond to messages via Facebook between 9am and 4pm on school days. For emergency queries please contact the school on (02) 4751 2208

Contact Us

- School email - faulconbri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
- To contact individual class teachers please email the above address and your email will be forwarded to the class teacher.
- Phone- (02) 47 512208
- Facebook messenger, (access via school Facebook page)
- If you require an interview with the class teacher please contact the school to arrange an appointment.



Introducing the School Community Charter

We are committed to working with parents, carers, students and families to ensure all students are happy and thrive at school. The NSW Department of Education has introduced a School Community Charter for all members of NSW Public School communities. The School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.



School Community Charter

 **Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.**



We work in partnership to promote student learning.



We treat each other with respect and fairness.



We communicate in a positive and constructive manner.



We all play a part

Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel safe and respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

Unacceptable behaviour:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.



School Community Charter

education.nsw.gov.au

SPRINGWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

INSPIRING EXCELLENCE – ACHIEVING SUCCESS



2019 YEAR 6 EXPO FOR STUDENTS, PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

Thursday, 21st February 2019

Year 7 students for 2020 and their parents and caregivers are invited to attend the Springwood High School Expo on Thursday, 21st of February 2019.

The Student Expo will be held from 9.45am to 1.30pm and will introduce students to a variety of subject areas through taster lessons. Lunch will be provided and the day will end with a concert showcasing talented Springwood High School students.

The Parent Expo will run from 7.00pm with a concert showcasing talented Springwood High School students. In addition, Head Teachers will be available to answer subject-specific questions after the performance.

For more information please contact the school on 4751 2111 or through our email address: springwood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Website address: www.springwood-h.schools.nsw.edu.au



CHOIR STARTS NEXT WEEK.

New students, especially Kindies, are most welcome to join the K-2 Choir in the Music Room at 8.15 on Thursday mornings, starting on Thursday 14th February.

If you watched "Don't Stop the Music" on ABC TV you know the enormous value of playing and singing music in the development of young brains.

At K-2 Choir we sing, we move, we dance and we play instruments, and we have lots of fun, so please come along.

Mrs Johnstone and Mr Hewitt.

PEDLAR'S FAIR

Friday 5th April

Time: 10.00am – 12-30pm

On Friday 5th April, the school will be holding a Pedlar's Fair and Parade to assist with fundraising for future focused learning. This will include new furniture for flexible learning spaces and technology. Parents, family and friends are warmly invited and a special welcome is extended to grandparents on the day.

Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 children dress up and bring a tray or basket of goods to sell. The students parade before an audience, displaying their wares (like pedlars). In the past, students have sold a range of items such as homemade crafts, food, second hand toys and books. Be as creative as you like! Items can be priced from 20c-\$2.

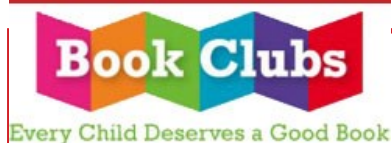
Stage 2 & Stage 3 children use their initiative and group work skills to develop a **stall or entertainment for the fair**. Some examples are busking, face painting, spiders, guessing competitions, raffles, carnival games and competitions. **Students will need to write their stall plan, people in their group and the equipment needed on paper and give it to Mrs Jansons or Mrs Curzon to book in a playground space for their stall and get their idea approved.**

Children and their families need to start thinking of ideas for the fair.

In addition, students will need money to exchange for 'tokens' to spend on the day. Students will be able to exchange their money for tokens each morning from 8.25am in April. Purchased tokens will be safely stored for students at school until the day of the fair. Tokens will also be able to be purchased during the fair.

We are looking forward to bringing our community together to create a memorable day!



SCHOLASTICBook Clubs
Every Child Deserves a Good Book

Welcome back for another term of fantastic Book Club buying opportunities. Issue 1 was sent home with students this week. Just a quick reminder that we have changed the way we order.

This new system called “Loop” is user friendly where parents/caregivers can place all orders online at home using payment from a credit card. Attached below are easy step by step instructions on how to place an order. All orders will still be delivered to the school and passed on to the students if you order within the due date. Any orders placed after the closing date can still be made but will incur a delivery fee and will be posted directly to the home address.

The closing date for Issue 1 is **Friday 15th February.**

If you have any enquiries regarding this new system, please don't hesitate to contact me.

All items purchased still earn bonus points which in turn are used to buy valuable books for our school.

Thank you

Annette Reynolds

Book Club Coordinator

Book Club LOOP

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the **LOOP**, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

Head to **scholastic.com.au/LOOP**

or



Follow these **easy** steps!

- 1 Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either **SIGN-IN** or **REGISTER** your account.
- 2 Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your **SCHOOL** and your **CHILD'S CLASS**.
Note: You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school.

Looking for **MORE** product information? Additional content such as videos and downloads are available for select titles. Select your issue and enter the item number to view information on titles and some great resources, such as videos and reviews.

[HOME](#) | [ABOUT](#) | [REGISTER](#) | [HELP](#)



LOOKING FOR MORE PRODUCT INFORMATION?

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Item No.

FIND

- 3 Click on **ORDER** and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.

- 4 All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

That's it! There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

SCHOLASTIC



Leonard the Lyrebird hits the stage!

Leonard the Lyrebird - the Blue Mountains children's book that captured the imaginations of Faulconbridge students last year with a visit from author Jodie McLeod - is hitting the stage this month in the form of a classical music performance at Scenic World! Composed by acclaimed Australian composer Ian Munro and performed by concert pianist and Blue Mountains resident Grace Kim (along with Opera Australia's principal cello and clarinet) Leonard the Lyrebird: A Musical Story is an enchanting mix of music, nature, storytelling and illustration. All tickets include unlimited access to Scenic World's 'rides' making it a fun-filled cultural family outing. There are three performances to choose from:

- Saturday 23 Feb: 5pm-8pm at EATS270 restaurant (world premiere)
- Sunday 24 Feb: 11am and 1pm (meeting at Scenic World before descending into the Jamison Valley for the performance in the Rainforest Room).

Ticket Price \$29.25 – Adults, Children \$18.90 (4yrs -13yrs), Kids under 4 – Free. Don't miss this truly local cultural event! Book now at www.eventbrite.com.au





The simplest way

... to ensure your child gets the nutrients they need at school

Simply pack something from each of the 5 food groups plus water. Try this great example lunch box:



Wholegrain Breads & Cereals: Bread Sushi

Vegetables and salads: Corn cob

Meat & Alternatives: Baked bean muffin

Dairy: Yoghurt tub

Fruit: Strawberries

Water: Always pack a bottle of water

For these recipes and more examples of healthy lunch boxes visit our [website](http://healthyhunchbox.com.au).

healthyhunchbox.com.au



A fantastic choral opportunity for Blue Mountains children!

At the request of indigenous elder Aunty Carol Cooper, Blue Mountains Youth Choir has been invited to perform at the opening of the Zest Awards Ceremony on 15th February, 2019. Aunty Carol is a patron of the BMYC and an ambassador for Zest. The ZEST Awards showcase the great work of the Community Sector across the region, promoting a positive image of Greater Western Sydney region by highlighting our assets, our diversity and our creative and innovative work. It will be held in a function room at the ANZ Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park and will be attended by approximately 500 people.

Blue Mountains Youth Choir is inviting all interested children aged 9-16 to join them in representing the Mountains in this exciting event. In preparation for the concert there will be two rehearsals at the Mid-Mountains Community Centre, Lawson on Sunday 3rd and 10th of February led by choir leader Jenni Mills. The singers are fortunate to have distinguished conductor and composer Paul Terracini to direct the final performance.

The cost will be determined by the number of children participating. We expect it to be no more than \$60 per child, which includes all tuition, rehearsal and performance time, bus travel and our choir leader and conductor expenses. Travel to and from the venue will be by charter bus, with pick up and drop off points at Katoomba and Springwood.

The Zest Awards Ceremony is a highly sought-after prestigious event and Blue Mountains children are very fortunate to be invited to participate. The performance will be filmed and the DVD will be available to our families.

Register online at the Blue Mountains Youth Choir page of our website www.academysingers.com.au

Further enquiries, phone Glenys on 0409 602 016



Register Now!

Faulconbridge PS (After School) Auskick Centre (School Oval)
Each Tuesday starting 26th February - 19th March from 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Each child will receive: Auskick Bluetooth Speaker, Footy Cards, Footy Pump AND an AFL Auskick Football! Your child will enjoy a safe, fun, action-packed 4 week program of games and skill development, ideal for boys and girls aged 4-12 for only \$46!



Register Now!

To register visit play.afl.com.au and enter your postcode then click on "Faulconbridge PS (After School) Auskick Centre".

To receive FREE Tickets to GWS GIANTS home games be sure to choose the GIANTS as your team of support!

For more information contact: Phil on 0418 142 154 Email: phil.spratt@afl.com.au

Visit play.afl.com.au/auskick



FAULCONBRIDGE NETBALL REGISTRATION DAY 2019

Where? Faulconbridge Public School Hall
When? Saturday 9 February 10am - 2pm

or visit our website for instructions on how to register online:

<http://faulconbridgeaenw.netball.com.au/>

FEES

Netta (9 years and under) \$160
Junior (10-17 years) \$180
Senior (18 years and over) \$199

(includes BMNA, Netball NSW, admin fees and Council levy)



Contact: Cassandra (Registrar)
on 0407 288 361 or by email: faulconetball@gmail.com

We're excited to launch a new uniform for the 2019 season and will offer current members a subsidy to assist with the transition

Cost for existing members

Dress: \$25
Skirt & top: \$25

✦ Get a further \$5 off if you introduce a new member to the club!

Cost for new members

Dress: \$60
Skirt & top: \$80

Don't forget your Active Kids rebate voucher for \$100 off registration!

Know someone under 10 years that might be interested in playing netball but hasn't played before? Bring them along to our free netta clinic 10.30-11.30am on registration day so they can learn the basics and see what the game is all about!

NETBALL CLINIC

Want to come and learn the basics of Netball and see what a great game it is?

Faulconbridge Netball Club will be running a free Netball Clinic over 3 Wednesday afternoons for anyone interested in joining in the fun.

Where: Faulconbridge Public School, Grose Road, Faulconbridge (basketball courts area)

When: 3.30pm – 4.30pm on

Wednesday 13 February

Wednesday 20 February

Wednesday 27 February

What to bring: Sneakers and a drink

RIDE IN 2 BMX

FREE

COME & TRY DAY!
23RD FEBRUARY
11AM - 2PM



Ferris Lane (off Wilson St)
Lawson NSW 2783

WHOLE FAMILY PARTICIPATION!

We aim to turn memberships into friendships!

Come find out about BMX and our club and experience riding the track. Enjoy keeping fit and making new friends.

FREE sausage sizzle & BMX Promo Bag with BMX goodies for each rider!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

IAN: 0403 016 414

STUART: 0448 144 595

Website: www.bluemountainsbmx.com

Email: bluemntsbmx@outlook.com

WHAT TO BRING

- BIKE
- FULL FACE HELMET
- GLOVES
- LONG SLEEVES
- LONG PANTS

The club has some protective equipment to borrow. Bells, reflectors and stands must be removed; we will have bike mechanics to help out on the day.

Find us on Facebook: Blue Mountains BMX Club



A relaxing morning with Wendy Gilroy

Delivering her popular talk

"Becoming a calmer and happier mum."

Date:
Saturday, 23 March 2019,
11:00am
(registration from 10:30am)

Venue:
Room 1, The Hub,
104-106 Macquarie Rd
Springwood NSW 2777

Cost: \$25.00 per head

For payment details
Contact: events@sncc.org.au

Limited seating
Register online via
www.sncc.org.au or
in person at our Centre
at The Hub



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Ethics Classes at Faulconbridge Public School

BECOME A VOLUNTEER ETHICS TEACHER

Join an active and growing community in the Blue Mountains

Teach children *how* to think not *what* to think

An Ethics Teacher

- ☐ Engages children in learning about ethics
- ☐ Is a good listener with a genuine interest in helping young people
- ☐ Commits to teaching one class each week during school terms

Ethics Teachers undertake

- ☐ Police and Working with Children checks
- ☐ Full free training in Primary Ethics curriculum delivery
- ☐ Ongoing online training

We need more ethics teachers!

We have lots of students enrolled to do ethics classes.

PLEASE HELP!

Learn more and apply online **www.primaryethics.com.au**

or contact Abby Howells, Ethics Coordinator, at

e: abhowells@hotmail.com or M: 0408 700 817