

Faulconbridge News

Learn to Live

Term 4, Week 10

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

Principal: Mrs C Frith
Principal Stage 1: Mrs N

Assistant Principal Stage 1: Mrs N Bridges
Assistant Principal Stage 2: Mrs K Jansons
Assistant Principal Stage 3: Mr P Earl

Term 4 - DECEMBER 2020

Wed 16 Last day of Term 4

Notes Home and Enews Updates

- ♦ Annual Swimming Carnival 2021 (Grades 2-5 from 2020 cohort)
- ♦ Staff news
- Year 6 Service Awards (selected students only)
- Lilah the Lyrebird (Author Visit and book purchase)
- Stage 3 movie permission (Holes)



Term 1 – JANUARY 2021

Fri 29th Students return (Grades 1-6)

Kindergarten Best Start sessions (by appointment)

UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED TO VISITORS

The Uniform Shop volunteers will fill online orders only and leave them at the office for collection. You can order via the following link: Uniform Shop

Term 1 – FEBRUARY

Mon 1 Kindergarten Best Start sessions (by appointment)

Tues 2 Kindergarten Best Start sessions (by appointment)

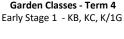
Wed 3 First day of Kindergarten

Wed 10 | Swimming Carnival (Grades 3-6)

Grade 2 only if you comply with all of the below criteria:

- turning 8 in 2021
- wish to compete
- Can swim 50m competently

School Activities Update Garden Classes - Term 4



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, 3/4K, 3/4Z, 3/4S, 5/6P, 5/6S, 5/6T Wednesday: KC, KB, K/1G, 1/2F, 1/2W Thursday: 1/2H



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



Monday: 5/6S, 5/6T, 5/6P Tuesday: KC,

Wednesday: 2/3C, 3/4Z, 3/4K, 3/4S Thursday: 1/2H, 1/2F, K/1G, KB, 1/2W



3-6: Sopranos Tuesday 8:00am, ptet parted 8:00am in the Main Hall
K-2: 8:15am thursdays and the Music Room



Students are to bring a drink bottle each day



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





Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

2021 Teaching Staff

Our planning for 2021 is underway. We will have composite classes in all stages and across stages also. At this stage, the staffing of classes is:

Early Stage One: Mrs Bridges, Mrs Galbraith, Mrs Carter (K/1)

Stage One: Mrs Carter, Mrs Harrison, Ms Waddell/Mrs Langworthy, Mrs Fysh, Mrs Percival (2/3);

Stage Two: Mr Cleary, Mrs Zordoumis, Miss Theoharis/Mrs Price;
Stage Three: Mr Smith, Mrs Hawkins (Rel AP), and a new teacher

Learning Support: Mrs Jansons, Mrs Stevens

Kitchen Garden: Mrs Langworthy;

Music RFF: Mr Earl and Mr Bucholtz

Library: Mrs Capuyan/Mrs Rooney

In 2021:

- * Mr Earl is taking leave from our school as Assistant Principal for 2021. He will continue to teach Music for RFF and run the band program two days per week. Mrs Hawkins will be replacing Mr Earl as Stage 3 Supervisor for 2021.
- * Mr McDonald is continuing on leave.
- * Miss Slawski continues on maternity leave this year and may return part time later in the year.
- * Miss Kemp will be working in a support role in 2021.

Celebration of Student Achievement

What a wonderful day we had at our Celebration of Student Achievement via livestream. It was a time to recognise the accomplishments of students across the school and celebrate the academic achievement and effort of students.

A big thank you to Mr Earl, Mr Smith, Miss Theoharis and Mr Thomson for planning and delivering such a well organised event. It was one of the only opportunities for our school band and Year 6 drumming group to perform.

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and community members who watched our livestream

But most of all thank you to the students. The boys and girls were very well behaved and demonstrated respect for the award winners and the speakers at the microphone. See photos on Facebook.

End of year processes and payments

At the end of the year there are many administrative processes that need to be undertaken. One of these is to chase up **outstanding fees.** This is particularly so for the school band, with the school currently subsidising band activities to the tune of \$10,000 per annum on top of band fees. This money, along with band fees, is used to pay the band tutors who give individualised tuition to students each week, to purchase the sheet music, and maintain the school band instruments. Fees need to be paid promptly to cover the expenses of running the band program for students. **We would appreciate all outstanding fees being paid as soon as possible.**







Principal's Report cont'd

Class supplies for 2020

Included in this newsletter will be a copy of classroom supplies required by students at the start of next year.

NO 'Share Our Space' during this holiday period.

There will be no access to the school playground during this holiday period. If you see any suspicious activity on the school site, please report it to School Security or the Police.

Funkids will continue to operate as per their vacation arrangements.

Neighbourhood Safe Place

A reminder that even though the school is closed during the vacation period, our school is a designated Neighbourhood Safe Place in the event of a bushfire. If it is too late to leave and the advice is to shelter in place, the emergency services have the capacity to open the school hall for the community. Please keep an eye of the fire activity in our area over the summer, and ensure you have a fire plan that you have discussed with all family members.

COVID-10 RESTRICTIONS 2021

Keep and eye out in school eNews the week before school starts back in 2021 for the update on COVID-19 restrictions relating to schools.

Cub Award Morning Tea

Congratulations to our Cub Award winners for 2020:

	K-2	3-6	
Term 4	Marley W - KB	Aisha H - 3/4K	
Week 9	Laila C - KB	Leyton A - 3/4K	
	Sophie F - K/1G	Josh D - 3/4K	



Dates for 2021

Friday 29th January: Students in Yr 1-6 return

29th January and 1st - 2nd February: Kindergarten Best Start Interviews

Wednesday 3rd February: Kindergarten Starts

Wednesday 10th February: Swimming Carnival, Lawson Swimming Pool

Thursday 25th February: Springwood High School Stage 3 Expo

And finally...

I wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas, New Year and a relaxing holiday.

Mrs Carol Frith Principal







Holiday Safety

As we approach the summer holiday season, it is timely to remember to be safe around waterways and pools. I have included a message from the Sydney Childrens' Hospital regarding water safety below.

Road safety over the holiday season is important also, especially if new bicycles, scooters or skateboards are given as present. Always wear a helmet when riding a bicycle, and if riding on the footpath be aware of driveways and cars reversing. I hope that we all have a safe holiday season and return to school in 2021, happy and healthy.

Kids can drown without a sound!



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Drowning is a leading cause of death for children under the age of five years. In NSW an average of 13 drowning deaths and 84 non-fatal drowning incidents occurred in children aged 0-17 years in the period 2002 to 2015. Non-fatal incidents can cause permanent damage to the child's brain, heart and lungs. Most parents think they will be able to hear if their child is drowning, but in fact it is very silent and quick.

The 'Kids Can Drown Without a Sound' campaign from Kids Health at The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network 'aims to raise water safety awareness and encourage families to take appropriate precautions when children are in or near water.

To help prevent child drowning:

- 1. Have a compliant pool barrier that is used correctly and maintained regularly
- 2. Adult supervision of children (within arm's reach) in and around water is essential
- 3. Teach children water familiarisation and swimming skills
- 4. Learn CPR and remember that any attempt is better than none at all

Recent research reveals that across all ages, people of culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and newly arrived to Australia are at higher risk of drowning incidents. This is likely to be due to lack of familiarity with water activity and swimming ability in some people.

The 'Kids Can Drown without a Sound!' **resources** are available for download in 17 different languages from the Kids Health website: http://kidshealth.org.au/inflatable-and-portable-pools or printed copies for order free of charge from: http://kidshealth.org.au/resources-order





The Great Aussie Bush Camp















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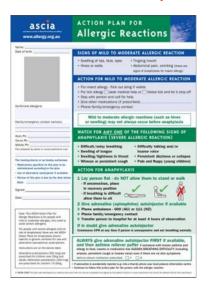


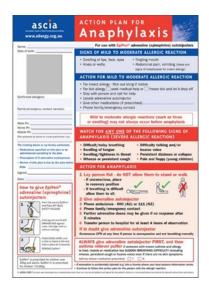


Health Care Plans

Is your child's health care plan up-to-date?







Please ensure you hand in your updated plans to the school office at the beginning of the 2021 school year!





2021 Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Equipment List

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

At Faulconbridge PS we do our best to supply your child with the equipment that is needed for them to work effectively and efficiently in our classrooms.

For this reason, we have provided a list below of items we would find useful for the whole class to share throughout the year. While it is **completely optional**, if you are able to provide any of the following items that would be genuinely appreciated by all students in your child's classroom:

Kindergarten and Stage 1

- Wind up glue sticks (Bostik or UHU)
- 1 box of tissues
- Hand soap or sanitiser
- 1 pack of whiteboard markers
- Library bag labelled with students' name and class
- Baby Wipes
- Paper towel

Kindergarten only

- Paint shirt or large old shirt that can be used for painting
- 2 plastic A4 plastic wallets or pocket folder (used for home learning)

Stage 1 only

- 1 Homework book (A4 approx. 64 pages) covered and labelled with the student's name and class
- 1 A4 plastic wallet or pocket folder (for home reader)
- Coloured pencils, twistable crayons (to share for use in the classroom)

Many thanks,

ES1 and S1 Teachers

Mrs Carol Frith - Principal



2021 Stage 2 Equipment List

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Below is a list of stationary items that your child will need to start Stage 2 in 2020. Please note that it is expected that consumable items will be replenished throughout the year as required.

- O A pencil case along with:
- O Whiteboard marker x 4 (1 per term)
- O HB lead pencils (at least 4 or 5)
- O Pens (if student has obtained a pen licence)
- O Coloured pencils
- O Glue stick x 4 (1 per term)
- O Pencil sharpener
- O Eraser
- O Safety Scissors
- O Highlighter x 2

- O Textas
- O 2 boxes of tissues to donate to the class
- O A4 document wallet
- O A library bag
- O Hand soap (to donate to the class)
- O Headphones for computer work
- O 30 cm ruler, clear plastic or timber (no flexible or metal rulers)
- O An exercise book, covered and labelled with student's name (for homework)

Items that are always accepted as donations:

- O Boxes
- Containers
- O Newspapers
- O Tape
- O String
- O Rubber bands

Looking forward to a great start to 2021!

Kind regards,

Stage 2 Teachers

Mrs Carol Frith - Principal



Stage 3 Equipment List 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers, To ensure a smooth start to the year, we request that you check with your child that they have the required equipment for school. This cuts down on the disruption and distraction to lessons that students without equipment can cause. Please review					
the list below for the minimum requirements.					
Pencil case (zip bag)					
HB pencils					
Barrel sharpener					
Glue sticks					
Coloured pencils					
Safety scissors					
Pack of Highlighters					
• 1 x box of tissues					
Ruler, clear plastic or timber ruler with millimetres (no flexible or metal rulers)					
• 4 x whiteboard markers					
Headphones / earphones					
Kind regards,					
Stage 3 Teachers Mrs Carol Frith - Principal					

Nutrition Snippet

SUMMER FRUIT AND VEG.







Try these summer sizzlers:

- Lamb and veg meatballs
- Coleslaw
- Frozen fruit puree

Check out our <u>blog</u> to find out more about what's in season.

healthylunchbox.com.au





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Andrew McLeod

Accredited Club Professional NSW TCA
Coach

Previously coached in USA and Germany

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS COACHING CLINIC

SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS, SPRING STREET, SPRINGWOOD

Mon 11th to Fri 15th Jan 2021 (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 CONJUCTION WITH PRIZE GIVING.

ENTRANCE FEE: \$170 (INC. GST)

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

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Tools for Parentso

Richmond Community Services Inc. s pleased to be able to offer FREE groups with FREE childcare For parents/primary carers of children 0-12years

Calendar 2020 — June 2021

Workshop/Group:	Date(s):	Time(s):	
Be A Great Dad	Weds 18th November 2020	6.30 - 9pm	
Early Parenthood& Its Challenges	2 weeks ongoing—Saturdays 20th & 27th February 2021	10am - 12.30pm	
Thriving Babies—Strategies for Parents	Weds 24th February 2021 10am - 12.30pm		
Conflict Resolution for Couples	3 weeks ongoing - Saturdays: 6th, 13th & 20th March 2021	10am - 12.30pm	
Aggression in Kids—Help for Parents	Weds 10th March 2021	1 6.30 - 9pm	
Helping the Anxious Child	Weds 24th March 2021	6.30 - 9pm	
Helping Kids Deal with Anger	Weds 21st April 2021	10am - 12.30pm	
Managing Challenging Behaviours in Kids	3 weeks ongoing - Saturdays: 24th April, 1st & 8th May 2021	10am - 12.30pm	
Supporting Kids Through Grief & Loss	Weds 5th May 2021	6.30 - 9pm	
Navigating Your Childs Anxiety Through Primary School	Saturday 15th May 2021	10am - 12.30pm	
Be A Great Dad	Weds 19th May 2021	6.30 - 9pm	
Supporting Parents & Kids Through Separation	2 weeks ongoing—Saturdays 22nd & 29th May 2021	10am - 12.30pm	
Encouraging & Teaching Resilience in Kids	Saturday 5th June 2021	10am - 12.30pm	
Building Emotional Intelligence in your Kids	Saturday 19th June 2021	10am - 12.30pm	

All held at: Richmond Neighbourhood Centre, 20 West Market Street, Richmond, NSW 2753. Call 02 4588 3502 e: admin@rcsi.ngo.org.au.

The project is funded by the Australian Government's continuation funding of the 'Tools for Parents' project — to provide free workshops and ongoing courses designed to help parents/primary carers of children 0—12 years develop better relationships between themselves and with their children —and to enhance parenting skills. Richmond Community Services Inc. purchases group and workshop facilitation from Windsor Professional Centre and childcare services from Hawkesbury Community Outreach Mobile Minders Service for the project—and is delighted to offer them free to participants.

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