

Faulconbridge News

Learn to Live

Term 3, Week 8 (11th September 2020)

Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

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

Term 3 SEPTEMBER 2020			
17—18 21—25	Mobile Dental Program		
Fri 18	Last day for payment for Graduation Bear or Memory Ball (Year 6)		
Fri 25	Last day of Term 3		

Term 4			
Mon 12 Oct	First day of Term 4		
Fri 16 Oct	Athletics Carnival		
Wed 16 Dec	Last day of Term 4		

Reminder. Please ensure that your child brings a drink bottle to school each day.

Enews Updates

- Year 6 Book (Year 6 only)
- Year 6 Graduation Bear/ Memory Ball (Year 6 only)
 Introduction to Debating Workshop (5 & 6 students)

Fridays commencing 2pm

Assembly Dates

TERM 3

UNIFORM SHOP <u>CLOSED TO VISITORS</u>

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





School Activities Update

Garden Classes - Term 3 Stage 1 - 2/3C, 1/2H, 1/2F, 1/2W

> 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

Library Days

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

Music 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



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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Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

COVID-19 Update

Current COVID-19 restrictions are continuing until the end of Term 3. We are expecting to have updates to the current restrictions at the start of Term 4. It is almost the end of Term 3 and we are hoping that many of the events we have put on hold will be able to take place in Term 4.

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms.

NSW Health have requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptoms free before being permitted to return to school.

Students who do not undertake a COVID-19 test result will not be permitted to return to school for a 10 day period. Additionally, they must be symptom free for at least 3 days prior to returning to school.

Students who have seasonal allergic rhinitis or another condition that presents similarly to flu-like symptoms are still required to get tested for COVID-19 and return a negative test result. Where their symptoms continue beyond 10 days, students should provide documentation from their GP confirming their symptoms are typical for their condition. If the student develops new or changed symptoms, they should get tested for COVID-19. More information can be found on the NSW Health website.

Attendance and Punctuality

Everyday throughout term 3 we have had to submit our attendance data to the Department of Education. While attendance at school during the winter months is generally slightly lower, during the COVID-19 pandemic attendance is lower than normal. It is noticeable that on some days we have had the equivalent of an entire class or more of students absent. If your child is well, it is expected that they will attend school each day.

School begins at 8:55am. Classes begin straight away, and roll marking is the first task of the day in every classroom. Every class then begins essential learning through a morning routine strategy to start the day. When students arrive late, they miss out on the start of the day, and interrupt the learning of others. It is best to aim to be at school by 8:45am each day so your child can connect with friends prior to the 8:55am bell.

Physical distancing

Physical distancing of students in schools is not required under the AHPPC guidelines.

All teachers, support staff and parents must maintain physical distance from each other (1.5m).

Parents should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable them to physically distance from one another and from staff. We appreciate your ongoing compliance with this restriction.

Transition to School

Our transition program for Kindergarten 2021 students is moving to an online format. Mrs Bridges and Mrs Carter have been busy creating activities for students and information for the parents of our new students.

If you know of anyone intending to enrol at our school for 2021 who has not yet done so, please encourage them to phone the school office so we can ensure enrolment processes are completed.



Principal's Report cont'd

Online Safety

It always advisable for parents/guardians to keep you children off social media until they are legally able to access it for themselves. Most social media platforms do not permit access until a child is 13 years old. Logically this would mean no students at primary school would be accessing social media. Realistically I know this is not the case. Can I strongly suggest that if your child/ren have access to social media that you regularly check their history, so you are aware of what content they are accessing, and the content of messaging between friends. Recently there has been some distressing content on some social media platforms. With this in mind please see the following advice from the eSafety Commissioner:

• We are encouraging people who encounter distressing content to report it to the social media platform they've seen it on, or to eSafety at www.esafety.gov.au/report/illegal-harmful-content.

We recently had the local Youth Liaison Officer from Springwood Police Station come and speak to students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 about cyber safety. One of the supports for students is:

• **Kids Helpline. 1800 55 1800**. Phone support is there all day, every day. Online support is open from 8am-midnight every day (AEST).

NSW School Updates app

The NSW School Updates app allows parents and carers to receive operational status updates for NSW public schools.



NSW families can now get notified when their school becomes non-operational, wherever they are.

The app will complement the other means of communication available to parents and carers from schools and the Department of Education to ensure families receive timely, accurate information in a crisis.

The app is free and available now for iOS and Android users.

Download for iOS - App Store

Download for Android - Google Play

You can opt in for notifications about the operational status of as many NSW public schools as you choose.

Cub Award Morning Tea

Congratulations to our Cub Award winners for 2020:

	K-2	3-6	
Term 3	Alyssa G—1/2W	Lachlan S—3/4S	
Week 7	Clayton C-1/2W	Kallie B— 3/4K	
	Lucy R—2/3C	Josh D—3/4K	

I will be taking some leave in Week 10 and Mrs Jansons will be Relieving Principal during this time. I look forward to seeing everyone again at the beginning of Term 4. Please note that term 4 begins on Monday 12th October.

Mrs Carol Frith Principal

KIDS CAN ACT OCTOBER HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS					
WEDNESDAY 30 th SEPT PENRITH	THURS 1*OCTOBER SPRINGWOOD	FRIDAY 2nd OCTOBER SPRINGWOOD			
^{9.30-2.30pm} Fairylicious Fairies & Mischievous Elves	9.30-2.30pm Pirates of the Has-Been	9.30 –2.30pm <i>1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie</i> The Worst Holiday Ever	KIDS CAN ACT		
	2.30-5.00 pm Drama Games & Improvisation		WWW.KIDSCANACT.COM.AU		
WEDNESDAY 7th OCT SPRINGWOOD	THURSDAY 8th OCT SPRINGWOOD	FRIDAY 9 th OCTOBER PENRITH	USE YOUR \$100		
^{9.30-2.30pm} <i>1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie</i> A Magical Far, Far Away Land	9.30-2.30pm Fairylicious Fairies & Mischievous Elves	9.30 –2.30pm <i>1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie</i> The Worst Holiday Ever			
2.30-5.00pm A Bag Full Of Stories- Storytelling	COVID SAFE	2.30- 5.00pm Drama Games & Improvisation	REGISTERED PROVIDER Claim your's 100 voucher here		

KIDS CAN ACT OCTOBER HOLIDAY WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Fairylicious Fairies(4 –12yrs)

This workshop inspires the imagination as children play fairy games, hear fairy stories, and do fairy craft. The children will also take home a set of their very own <u>fairy wings</u>, a <u>fairy headband</u>, and a <u>fairy wand</u>

Pirates of the Has-been(4 –12yrs)

A bunch of old pirates decide to come out of retirement to teach the young whipper snappers how to be a REAL Pirate. Come walk the plank, talk like a pirate & enter the world of the Has-been Pirates. Learn how to be a REAL Pirate.

The Worst Holiday Ever (4-15yrs) - 1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie

Our bags went missing and the chef in the restaurant doesn't speak English and doesn't know how to cook! There were ants in the bedroom climbing up the walls and across the ceiling over the bed. The power stopped working, no aircon and worst of all it was Christmas Eve and the shops were shut! Let's have fun in the Hotel from Hell! Let's work out what our character is and how we fit into the story. Let's film it!

A Magical Far, Far Away Land(4 -15yrs) - 1,2,3 Let's Make A Movie

Hold on tight to that magic carpet! Travel east of the sun and west of the moon! A girl whose magical necklace of raindrops keeps her dry in a storm; a tiger that runs faster than the wind; a huge floating apple pie with a piece of sky in it; a baker's cat who swells to the size of a whale; - these are just some of the things that may happen.

A Bag Full Of Stories- Storytelling(4 –15yrs)

The ancient art of storytelling is for all ages. Storytelling can encourage children to explore their own imagination and expressiveness. In our fast-paced world of mass media, storytelling can be a nurturing way to remind children that the spoken word is powerful, listening is important, and warm communication between people is an art.

Drama Games & Scenarios (4–15yrs)

Great fun where children get to work in groups or individually and be creative. Working as a team improves friendships and teaches us how to work with , cooperate, develop leadership skills and listen to others.

Owner reserves the right to cancel any workshops that do not have the required number to operate.

www.kidscanact.com.au Cathie- 0414 475 158

Penrith Performing & Visual Arts SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

Each school holidays we run a program of workshops for children aged up to 12, themed around our current exhibitions. All materials are supplied, all skill levels are welcome, and kids need to wear old clothes and bring a snack. It's a great opportunity to get creative during the school holidays; book in with a friend or come on your own and have fun.

Workshops are announced as we near the end of each term. Keep an eye on our <u>What's On</u> page for details, or sign up to our newsletter below to be kept in the loop.

These workshops often book out, so our advice is to get in quickly.

Bookings Essential: Book directly via the individual event pages below or pay over the phone by calling 02 4735 1100

Please take some time to read our <u>Terms & Conditions</u> and our <u>COVID Safe Plan</u> for all our workshops before signing up.

We are also offering a special Sibling Discount Ticket at \$20 for additional participants from the same family! To obtain this discount, please book over the phone at 02 4735 1100.





LEGAL CLINIC

Free Legal Services for the Community of Western Sydney

- Where: Richmond Community Services 20 West Market Street, RICHMOND
- When: 2nd Wednesday of the month 1.30pm to 4.30pm
- How: Drop in

What we can help with

Family law – Separation/Parenting/ADVOs/ Property/Divorce/Mediation or Court Care and Protection Law – Adoption/Early Intervention/ Pre, During, Post Children's Court Criminal Law – Minor crime dealt with by fine or CAN

Traffic Law – License suspension or disqualification/minor traffic offences dealt with by fine or CAN

Civil Law –

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NSW Department of Education

Refill your water bottle here

Reminder. Please ensure that your child brings a drink bottle to school each day.



Don't drink straight from a water bubbler



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