

## Learn to Live

Term 1, Week 4 (19th February 2021)

### Important Dates:

Please mark these dates on your calendar

#### Term 1 – February

|                 |                                     |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Mon 22</b>   | Volunteer induction 6pm, Library    |
| <b>Wed 24</b>   | AFL after school clinic begins 3.15 |
| <b>Thurs 25</b> | SHS expo (year 6 only)              |

#### Term 1 – MARCH

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Wed 10</b> | School photos |
| <b>Mon 15</b> | P&C Meeting   |

#### Term 2 – APRIL

|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Mon 19</b>  | Staff development day      |
| <b>Tues 20</b> | Students return for term 2 |

#### Term 2 – MAY

|                       |                              |
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| <b>Mon 3 to Fri 7</b> | Milson Island camp (stage 3) |
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**Principal:** Mrs C Frith

**Assistant Principal Stage 1:** Mrs N Bridges

**Assistant Principal Stage 2:** Mrs K Jansons

**Rel Assistant Principal Stage 3:** Mrs C Hawkins

### Notes Home/ ENews Updates

- Best Start - Parent feedback summary (Kindergarten)
- Milson Island (Stage 3)
- Faulconbridge Public School band program
- After school Auskick centre
- Covid-19 guidelines for drop off and pick up
- Parent information evening
- Springwood High School expo
- Welcome to KB
- Welcome to K/1C
- Welcome to 1/2F
- Welcome to 1/2W
- Welcome to 2/3P
- Welcome to 3/4Z
- Welcome to 5/6S
- Welcome to 5/6P
- Welcome to 5/6H

### School Activities Update



**Garden Classes - Term 1**  
Stage 3 - 5/6H, 5/6P, 5/6S

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



#### Library Days

Tuesday: 5/6S, 5/6H, 5/6P  
Wednesday: 1/2W, 3/4C, 3/4Z, 2/3P  
Thursday: K/1C, KG,  
Friday: 1/2F, KB, 1/2H  
3/4T: Thursday (odd weeks), Friday (even weeks)



#### Music

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



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**Email:** [http://faulconbri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:faulconbri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

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

## Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### Swimming Carnival

We were very lucky with the weather last week for our Swimming Carnival. We had a lovely, relaxed day with the students. We did not have as many competitors as previous years with most events only requiring one heat. The winning house was Doyle. A big thank you to those parents and grandparents who volunteered to assist with lane duties on the day: Megan Thomas, Melissa Nicholas, Laura Hill, Jenny O'Loughlin, Heidi Phillips, Garry Hodson, Dianne Hodson, Lyle Thomas, Meagan Witton and Jade Andrews.

### Meet the Teacher Evening

We had a very successful Meet the Teacher evening on Wednesday night. It was great to see so many of you ready to re-engage at school, and there was a wonderful community 'vibe' in the school. We appreciate you complying with the COVID-19 restrictions and finding care for your children to limit the number of people on site. If you missed the evening please contact your class teacher for a catch up.

A big thank you to the teachers for giving their time to this event. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated staff at Faulconbridge Public School who put prioritise students and learning.

### COVID-19 Update:

- Activities permitted at school will be conducted in a way that is safe and appropriate in the current environment. Activities that remain on hold will be reviewed at regular intervals and will recommence when appropriate based on health and other relevant advice.
- From Term 1 2021, all NSW public schools use the Service NSW COVID Safe Check In.
- Look for the COVID Safe QR code posters when you enter the school.
- Be sure to sign in at the school administration building according to our school's visitor guidelines.
- P&C meetings can be held after school hours with a COVID Safety Plan. Gatherings are limited to 30 people indoors and 50 people outdoors for schools within Greater Sydney, including the Blue Mountains, Central Coast and Wollongong.

### Parents and carers are not allowed on school sites or at off-site school events held during school hours except for the following purposes only:

- Essential parent and carer meetings with teachers and/or school executives, with a scheduled appointment. This includes scheduled meetings with parents and carers of prospective students.
- Parents and carers who attend a school administration building or another defined location for the purpose of picking up their child if they are unwell or where they have been asked to arrange for a COVID-19 test after their child has displayed flu-like symptoms while at school.
- Parents and carers who need to be on-site for canteen and uniform shop duties or to collect or purchase uniforms.
- Parent or carer volunteers required as educational support roles for activities essential to the delivery of the curriculum such as reading groups, music, dance and kitchen garden areas.
- Parents and carers that they must not attend school unless it has been previously arranged.
- Parents and carers can attend parent orientation meetings and Meet the Teacher meetings with school staff for all year/stage groups. Meetings should be limited to 1 hour where possible. A COVID Safety Plan must be in place.



## Principal's Report cont'd

### Permission notes

Over the next week or so we will be sending home permission notes that must be completed each year. The permission notes include participation in child protection lessons, acceptable internet usage policy, and permission to publish name and photos of your child. We also ask permission for your child's details to be shared with online service providers. These service providers support our reporting processes and includes Class Dojo, and other learning tools. Please read and sign all relevant notes and return to the front office.

### Volunteer Induction

We will be conducting the 2021 volunteer induction on Monday evening 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 6pm for Scripture teachers and school volunteers. It covers a safety briefing, emergency procedures, sign in/out procedures, child protection, WWCC requirements, contact people, first aid, student supervision, duty of care and a COVID-19 update. Anyone intending to volunteer who misses this session will need to make an appointment with Mrs Frith to complete the induction before they begin volunteering.

### IEPs and External Providers of Therapy Services

We will be updating our paperwork for 2021 over the next few weeks. The key features are that parents must provide a written request to the school/principal for the service, therapists must also complete induction process, planning meetings with parents, school and therapists must occur and records kept. All therapists entering the school are at the principal's discretion. Disruption to learning, conflicts of interest and confidentiality must be considered when providing access for therapists.

### Birthday Cakes at school

We love celebrating student's birthdays at school with their classmates and I love to see each student to give them their birthday card from all us. However due to the current safe hygiene practices during the COVID-19 pandemic, could we please request that if you are sending in a birthday cake that you do not send a large single cake to be shared out or candles to blow out on the cake. One idea to mitigate the spreading of germs is to send individual cupcakes or an individually wrapped treat. This will also assist teachers to ensure everyone gets a fair share and reduce the spread of germs.

### World Thinking Day

Next Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February is World Thinking Day. The local branch of Girl Guides Australia, Springwood-Winmalee District Girl Guides are taking part in activities that celebrate service, advocacy and leadership skills in girls and young women. On Monday members of the local branch who attend our school will be wearing their Girl Guides uniform to school for the day.

### Cub Award Morning Tea

Congratulations to our Cub Award winners for 2021.

|                  | K-2            | 3-6              |
|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Term 1<br>Week 3 | Luke K - 1/2F  | Bronson M - 3/4Z |
|                  | Caitlin S - KB | Myriam S - 3/4C  |
|                  | Remy L - KB    | Alyssa G - 3/4C  |

|                  | K-2             | 3-6            |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Term 1<br>Week 4 | Sophie - 1/2W   | David S - 3/4C |
|                  | Evelyn B - 2/3P | Ella O - 5/6P  |
|                  | Will S - 2/3P   | Sian W - 5/6S  |

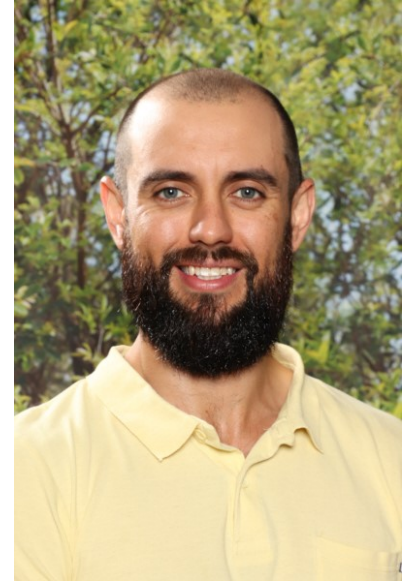
## Principal's Report cont'd

### Something new


A new feature of our newsletter for 2021 is to include a profile on one of our staff members. This new feature has emerged through the feedback we received from our community in 2020. Two of Year 6 students, Sarah Yearsley and Sophie Young, have taken on the role of interviewers. They have devised this week's questions for Mr Smith.

#### 10 Questions with Mr. Smith

1. **How long have you been teaching?** Six years.
2. **How do you think you can improve Faulconbridge Public School?** By providing learning experiences which will create well-rounded contributing citizens.
3. **How long can you hold a plank for?** 6 minutes
4. **What is your favourite Mexican food?** Burritos with guacamole and jalapenos.
5. **What is your favourite subject?** Maths
6. **How do you believe kids learn best?** In positive classroom environment, I believe I provide that."
7. **What stage do you teach?** Stage three.
8. **What is your favourite band?** Karnivool.
9. **How did you get your hands on a signed Wanderers t-shirt?** It was my 30th birthday present.
10. **What would you do if you weren't a teacher?** Probably a tradie.



Mrs Carol Frith  
Principal

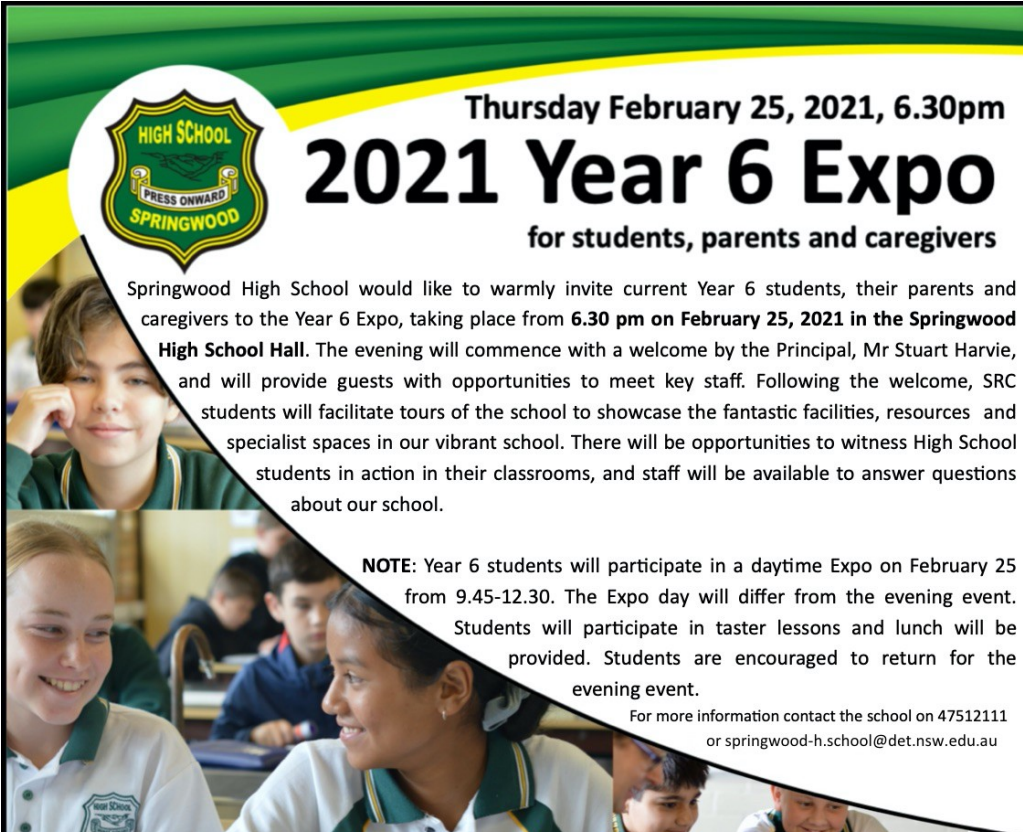


**Thursday February 25, 2021, 6.30pm**  
**2021 Year 6 Expo**  
for students, parents and caregivers

Springwood High School would like to warmly invite current Year 6 students, their parents and caregivers to the Year 6 Expo, taking place from **6.30 pm on February 25, 2021 in the Springwood High School Hall**. The evening will commence with a welcome by the Principal, Mr Stuart Harvie, and will provide guests with opportunities to meet key staff. Following the welcome, SRC students will facilitate tours of the school to showcase the fantastic facilities, resources and specialist spaces in our vibrant school. There will be opportunities to witness High School students in action in their classrooms, and staff will be available to answer questions about our school.

**NOTE:** Year 6 students will participate in a daytime Expo on February 25 from 9.45-12.30. The Expo day will differ from the evening event. Students will participate in taster lessons and lunch will be provided. Students are encouraged to return for the evening event.

For more information contact the school on 47512111  
or [springwood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:springwood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)



# Faulconbridge Public School PBL Award

TERM 1

WEEK 4



Years K - 2

## Presented to:

|      |              |  |
|------|--------------|--|
| KB   | Eira N       | Being a safe in and out of the classroom   |
| KB   | Harrison B   | Being a great learner by always trying his best!                                 |
| KB   | Brodie V     | Demonstrating kindness and respect to his teacher and peers                      |
| KB   | Sophie W     | Being a happy kind and respectful friend   |
| KG   | Harry P      | Settling well into school routines   |
| KG   | Olivia W     | Being an enthusiastic learner  |
| KG   | Alba M       | Being a kind and respectful student in class                                     |
| KG   | Ruby M       | Consistently applying 100% effort in all areas                                   |
| K/1C | Kelsey B     | Being a learner: Always having a smile ready to learn                            |
| K/1C | Lara W       | Being safe: Remembering to sit carefully and respectfully on the floor           |
| K/1C | Will A       | Being respectful: Encouraging and supporting classmates when help is needed      |
| K/1C | Liam L       | Being a learner: Always doing his best and answering questions                   |
| 1/2F | Eva D        | Consistently showing respect to teachers and her peers                           |
| 1/2F | Clementine M | Being a respectful learner and always trying her best                            |
| 1/2F | William P    | Being a kind, helpful and respectful learner                                     |
| 1/2F | Luke K       | Being a learner by applying himself in all lessons                               |
| 1/2H | William O    | Excellent work in spelling and phonics!  |
| 1/2H | Willis J     | Excellent effort in blending sounds to read words!                               |
| 1/2H | Anton B      | Being helpful and kind to others!  |
| 1/2H | Delilah R    | A big welcome to our school!   |
| 1/2W | Callum M     | Being a learner. Writing interesting sentences in morning routine                |
| 1/2W | Violet L     | Being an outstanding role model. Always demonstrating kind, respectful behaviour |
| 1/2W | Mae B        | Being an excellent role model. Demonstrating exceptional learner behaviour       |
| 1/2W | Oscar H      | Being a learner. Demonstrating outstanding Numeracy skills                       |
| 2/3P | Benjamin R   | His positive attitude and being a consistent learner                             |
| 2/3P | Lillian O    | Being a quiet achiever   |
| 2/3P | Luella M     | Being a kind, polite and friendly learner  |
| 2/3P | William S    | Listening carefully at all times   |



**STARTING  
MARCH  
3rd**

IT'S BACK FOR 2021

# MATH CLUB DROP IN

FREE MATHS TUTORIAL FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FACILITATED BY A RETIRED TAFE MATHS TEACHER. IAN CAN SUPPORT THE FULL SPECTRUM FROM YEARS 7-12. BRING ALONG ANY WORK YOU ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY  
DURING SCHOOL TERM  
3PM-4:30PM  
HELD IN THE CENTRE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT  
IMELDA AT THE CENTRE.

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## COME AND MEET COSTA

20TH FEBRUARY

168 HAWKESBURY ROAD

ENTRY IS 600M PAST THE LIGHTS AT ST THOMAS AQUINAS

FOLLOW THE SIGNS

GATES OPEN AT 10:00AM FOR COVID REGISTRATION

Learn about Farm It Forward and The Edible Gardens Trail

Costa will be running a workshop at 11:30 on how to build a wicking bed from a bathtub

Bring a picnic, bring the family and take a tour of our garden

Plants and jams for sale

Tea and coffee available





**New Venue**

## RAISING KIN

grandparents relatives  
and kinship carers

Raising Kin is a support group for grandparents, relatives and kinship carers who care for a child who is a relative. This group meets on the first Wednesday of the month during school term.

**TERM 1 2021 DATES:**  
Wednesday  
FEBRUARY 3RD AND MARCH 3RD  
10:00AM-12:00PM

**NEW VENUE:**  
UNITING CHURCH LOWER HALL  
4 LEWIN ST  
SPRINGWOOD

For more information or to RSVP  
please contact  
Jenny on 0450 001 393

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## FAULCONBRIDGE NETBALL CLUB

# Registration Day 2021

Love playing netball?  
Want to be part of a team that's all  
about having a go, having fun and  
making friends?  
Then Faulconbridge Netball Club is the  
club for you!

**JOIN US AT OUR REGISTRATION  
DAY**  
**WHERE: FAULCONBRIDGE PUBLIC  
SCHOOL**  
**WHEN: SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20**  
**TIME: 10AM - 2PM**

Seniors - \$210  
Juniors - \$190  
NetSetGo - \$170

Questions? Don't hesitate to send us  
an email at  
faulconbridgenetball@gmail.com

Faulconbridge Netball Club  
 @faulconbridge.netball



Come play AFL with



**FREE  
registration!**

\*using active kids voucher  
\*Paul Kelly Cup



## JOIN US

All ages :

- **Auskick 5yrs+**
- **Boys Teams 11s , 12s**  
Under 11s Boys & Under 12s Boys are encourage to sign up
- **Girls 10s, 12s, will only play in girl competition**
- **Boys Teams 9-17**

Register now



Training is at Tom Hunter Park, Faulconbridge

\* Club will pay the gap when using active kids voucher.  
Free registration is only for juniors. Existing players will get a merchandise pack for free.  
\*All Paul Kelly Cup player will be 100% free of registration, uniform and all fees.

@bmkafll

Contact email: president.bmkafll@gmail.com  
For info please call Danny : 0447 695 006



LET'S RIDE TOGETHER

# Come & Try Day

Come find out about BMX, our club  
and experience riding the track.

**FEBRUARY 20, 2021**  
**12:30PM - 2PM**

For further information please contact us:  
Website: www.bluemountainsbmx.com  
Email: bluemntsbmx@outlook.com  
Facebook: Blue Mountains BMX Club  
Club President, Ian: 0403 016 414  
Club Vice President, Tristan: 0435 794 795

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.



Ferris Lane (off Wilson St)  
Lawson NSW 2783



**Schools Reconciliation Challenge 2019  
Travelling Exhibition  
On show at the Everglades Gallery – Everglades House &  
Gardens, 37 Everglades Ave, Leura**

See the prize-winning work of students from four local schools exploring the theme *Speaking and Listening from the Heart* plus work from talented students across New South Wales.

**Exhibition opening (by invitation):** 2pm – 4pm, Friday 5 March  
**Exhibition on show:** Saturday 6 March to Monday 29 March 2021.  
Everglades House & Garden is open Thursday to Monday, 10am - 3.30pm  
(entry is part of garden ticket)



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