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# Forbes Public School Newsletter

#### "Maintaining A Tradition of Excellence"



It has been a fantastic start to Term 3 at Forbes Public School. I have been delighted to see all the students return with so much eagerness and engage so promptly with the great learning occurring in classrooms. Speaking to students, they have enjoyed the break and are looking forward to the term ahead.

Leadership was a key element in the second week back at school with Stage 2 & 3 students participating in workshops set around topics that will equip them for a variety of settings. Continuing to strengthen leadership skills across our school is important as we

develop students that are resilient and confident citizens of the future.

The theme of Education Week 2018 – *Today's schools* – *creating tomorrow's world*, highlights how NSW Public Schools are equipping young people with the skills and capabilities they need to thrive in a rapidly changing world. We are celebrating Education Week next week with many wonderful activities occurring, including open classrooms at Forbes Public School on Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of August from 12:30pm followed by a picnic on the oval which parents, carers and family members are invited to attend, as well as a Book Fair from 8.30am to 3:30pm in the school library. Students will come dressed up as their favourite book or movie character on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August and will also attend a combined town scripture service at Church in the Schoolyard on Wednesday.

This term we welcome back Mrs McLuckie and Mrs Webb who have returned to our school after maternity leave. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Wilson (Miss Groat), who through a recent staffing process has become a permanent teacher at our school. In addition to this we have also had an appointment of Miss Kelly who will begin as part of the FPS permanent teaching team in 2019. Both teachers are very excited about their permanent appointment to our school and look forward to continuing to contribute to the dynamic learning culture at FPS.

#### EDUCATION WEEK CALENDAR

Monday, 6th August Book Fair - 8:30am - 3:30pm in the School Library Open Classrooms - 12:30pm Lunch on the Oval (Bring your own Picnic) - 1:00pm Wednesday, 8th August

Combined Schools Church Service at the Church in the Schoolyard in Johnson Street

K-2 9:30am - 10am 3-4 10:30am - 11am 5-6 11:30am - 12pm

Thursday, 9th August Students come dressed as their favourite Book/Movie Character

Craft Group - 9am - 10am

#### Friday, 10th August

Lachlan District Athletics Carnival in Parkes

#### **Student Awards**

The	following	students	have	been	awarded	
Principal's Commendation Awards.						

KG	2CH
Max Pointon	Drake Steele
KN	Indigo Francis
Phoebe Wallis	Rosie Hurford
Isaac Angilley	Mani Tapine
Jamal Alghamdi	Alfie Quirk
Maxy Mulley	3A
Jayden Tran	Jaylah Smith
Hamish Whitty	4 <b>R</b>
1 <b>B</b>	Ruby Marsden
Cody Williams	5G
1L	Sam Schrader
Anya Garton	Nick Zannes
Archie Hogben	Harry Staines
Sophie Nightingale	Zac Fraser
Boston Kenney	Jade McKeown
2A	5/6D
Laine Jackson	Marley Kollias
Hannah McCann	6R
Annabelle Dwyer	Jonah Little
William Watson	Michael Behan
Hannah Boyton	Isla Worland
Sarah Emery	Andie Hodder
Emily van der Struik	Katie Crouch
Hudson Gunn	Grace Barbary
Mia Bryant	3/6C
Jackson Beaudin	Logan Maloney
3H	Brendan Smith
Maddox Bruem	K/6F
Zara Bruem	Jonah Butler
Tara Higgins	

**Debating Round 2** 

During Term 2, the Forbes Public School Debating Teams had their second round debates. These debates were held at Manildra Public and Parkes Public Schools.

The Year 6 Debating Team that debated in Manildra was Katie Crouch, Andie Hodder, Scarlett Francis and Isla Worland.

The year 5 debating team was Lola Morrsion, Jade McKeown, Summer Hurford and Jemma Hodder.

The topic for the debates was "Water is Australia's most valuable resource". Both teams, as the visiting teams, were placed on the negative side of the debate. This created a huge challenge for both the teams as they found it extremely difficult to argue against the topic. After a few long weeks of preparation and practice the teams were ready for the debate. Unfortunately both teams were unsuccessful but stated good rebuttals and delivered great arguments.

All the students should be commended on their respectful behaviour and effort while visiting other schools. A big thank you to Mrs Hodder for driving us to Parkes.

Well done debaters and good luck with your final rounds this term.

Coordinating Teachers Miss Dukes and Mrs Avis

#### Year 5 Lake Burrendong Excursion

In week 9 of Term 2, Year 5 visited the Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation Centre for their annual excursion. 28 students and 3 staff attended the three day camp where, both teachers and students, had a blast.

Not even the rain could dampen the spirits of the campers with all students and staff enjoying the activities on offer and especially the food at meal times.

A big thankyou to the Forbes Shire Council for organising such a great excursion.



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#### **Boys Soccer vs Parkes Public School**

On Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July the Boys Soccer Team played against Parkes Public School in the fourth round of the PSSA Knockout.

Parkes Public School came out very strong, scoring with one of their first few possessions.

The boys took that first goal in their stride and came out and still pushed forward. A loss of possession saw Parkes score another goal.

The boys were not put off by this though and they continued to press forward and look for opportunities. They went into halftime with much better shape and structure. They were looking good even though they trailed 2—0.

They started well in the second half, pressing forward at every opportunity. Unfortunately the day was not theirs. Everything that was successful for them in previous games that they tried was just not coming off for them. The boys continued to try hard and try anything. On the day Parkes were just better, running out winners 6 goals to nil and progressing to the next round. Congratulations Parkes!

I would like to thank all of the boys for trying out and playing for our school team. Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and carers that came to support the team at our games. Thank you to those who drove us to the games and picked us up.

Till next season.

Mr Cutrupi Boys Football Coordinator

#### Safe, Responsible, Respectful

Forbes Public School students have made a wonderful start to Term 3 with plenty of positive choices being made around our school.

What an exciting end of Term 2, with our PBL activity day finishing off the semester on a high. The students are to be commended on their beautiful behaviour throughout the term but particularly on the activity day itself. The staff provided lots of positive feedback which was lovely to hear.

Our PBL focus for this fortnight is 'Classroom Expectations'. Students will again be refreshing the expectations on how they behave in their classrooms and also what is expected when visiting other classrooms around the school.

We look forward to seeing continued

positive behaviour around our school.

Mrs Roylance Communications Officer

#### **Outstanding Achievement**

On Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018 Brooke Kelly from Forbes Public School competed at the Interschool's Equestrian State Championship at the International Equestrian Centre in Sydney. Brooke had a small army of people helping to prepare her and her horse 'Justy' for the competition with her Mother and Grandmother as her stable crew.

We all travelled down to Sydney the day before the event with an early 6:00am departure time from Forbes. It was a long trip in the horse truck but arrived around lunch time, allowing time for all the preparation to begin. Brooke's horses were ridden, washed, plaited, fed and rugged for the night ready for the next day of competition.

It was another early morning on Friday with a 5:00am start to get the horses ready. Brooke competed in three events on her horse Justy with a very high standard of competition. The pair were placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Led Show Hunter, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Rider Class and 4<sup>th</sup> in the Working Show Hunter class. Out of these three events Brooke and Justy became overall Show Hunter Champions, placing them **FIRST** in the state!

Well done to Brooke and her support team! It is an amazing achievement and you represented the school outstandingly. Can't wait to see you compete at **NATIONALS**, riding for NSW and Forbes Public School.

Coordinating Teacher - Mrs Avis



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#### Assembly Awards

	Assembly Awalus					
	The following awards were presented at the school assembly held on Friday, 6th July					
6R	-	Amelia Hodges	-	Beautifully presented work at all times		
		Keith Withers	-	Excellent application to his Maths work		
5/6D	-	Ellie Milton	-	Doing well when note taking		
		Kayori Trainor	-	Giving her best in all areas		
5G	-	Matthew Higgins	-	Improvement with PBL values		
		Joshua Reid	-	Improving in Technology		
4R	-	Shae Reid	-	Working hard in class		
		Ashton Nielsen	-	A positive start at Forbes Public School		
4J	-	Annie Williams	-	Demonstrating great Reading skills		
		Keira Lebrocque	-	Working well in all areas		
3H	-	Maddox Bruem	-	Participation during our Visiting Show		
		Shelbea Kennaugh	-	Responsible participation in groups		
ЗA	-	Aidee Thomas	-	Helping others with Maths concepts		
		Paige Gaudie	-	Effort during Reading groups		
2CH	-	Shane Moxey	-	Great effort in Writing		
		Laynie McDaniel	-	Beautiful book presentation		
2A	-	Hudson Gunn	-	Enthusiasm in Science		
		Hannah McCann	-	Working hard in all areas		
1L	-	Leah Colvin	-	Trying hard in Reading		
		Jasper Enslow	-	Working hard in Maths		
KG	-	Jock Townsend	-	Using expression while Reading		
		Indy Maynard	-	Improved use of sound when Writing		
KN	-	Phoebe Wallis	-	Working hard in all areas of school		
		Eddie White	-	Fluent and expressive Reading		
3/6C	-	Charlie Gallagher	-	Creativity in Art lessons		
K/6F	-	Brad Smith	-	Exceptional Handwriting		

#### News from your P&C

Since our last update, the P&C has been busy again. On Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> May we hosted a Mother's Day breakfast and gift stall which raised over \$1000, followed by our BBQ at the annual school athletics carnival which raised close to \$500. A big thank you to all of our helpers for these events.

At our last meeting, it was voted upon to donate \$352 towards the purchase of new athletics singlets to be worn by students when representing the school. An art and craft contribution of \$4200 was also made towards the school to be divided among each class.

Our major aim for this year is to be able to support the purchase of new IPads for use by students, which we hope will take place in September. Watch closely as we have some fun events planned in the coming months to help us reach this goal.

#### Helpers required urgently!!

As always, our canteen is in need of helpers. Any time you can give is very much appreciated, even if it is just an hour out of your day. If you are able to spare an hour or two to help out please contact the school on 6852 1934 or Heidi 0428 337 399. Please note: a Working with Children check is required but is an easy process which can be completed online at https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check

Unfortunately, due to other commitments, our current treasurer will be standing down at the end of the year. If you have been wanting to become involved in the P&C this may be the role for you! Ideally we would like to find someone within the next few months who is keen to take on this role so they are able to work alongside our current treasurer and learn the ropes. Please contact Trilby, 0499 321 758, if interested.

Save the date: Father's Day Breakfast & Gift Stall Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **Gecko Sports Golf Program**

Sporting Schools offer grants to Primary Schools across Australia with their main goal being to assist young children to foster a lifelong interest in sport. At Forbes Public we were fortunate enough to once again secure a grant last term. Our students from Kindergarten to Year 2 participated in a five week Golf program run by Gecko Sports Young & Regional NSW.

They were introduced to the skills of putting, chipping and driving. The children really enjoyed the chance to experience a game that they wouldn't normally be exposed to, and many showed natural ability with a golf club in hand.

Geoff Palmer from Gecko Sports commented on how wonderful the kids at Forbes Public School are and how he really enjoys the chance to visit our school and deliver sporting programs. During his time here, he also played League Tag with the senior students and was impressed with their skills.



#### **State Cross Country**

On Friday, 27th July, Laura Chudleigh competed at the NSW PSSA State Cross Country Championship held at Eastern Creek Motorsport Park. With a starting line up of 78 girls aged 8-9 years, the course was run over 2km taking in much of the Race track.

Laura ran a great race placing 54th overall with only 67 seconds separating 1st and 54th place.

The Forbes Public School Community would like to congratulate Laura on her efforts and for representing our school so well.

#### **Forbes Public School Athletics Team**

The Forbes Public School Athletics Team consists of 35 students who will be attending the Lachlan Athletics Team Trials in Parkes on Friday, 10th August 2018.

They have been busy training on Wednesdays from 3.00pm - 4.00pm. The last training day will be on Wednesday, 8th August.

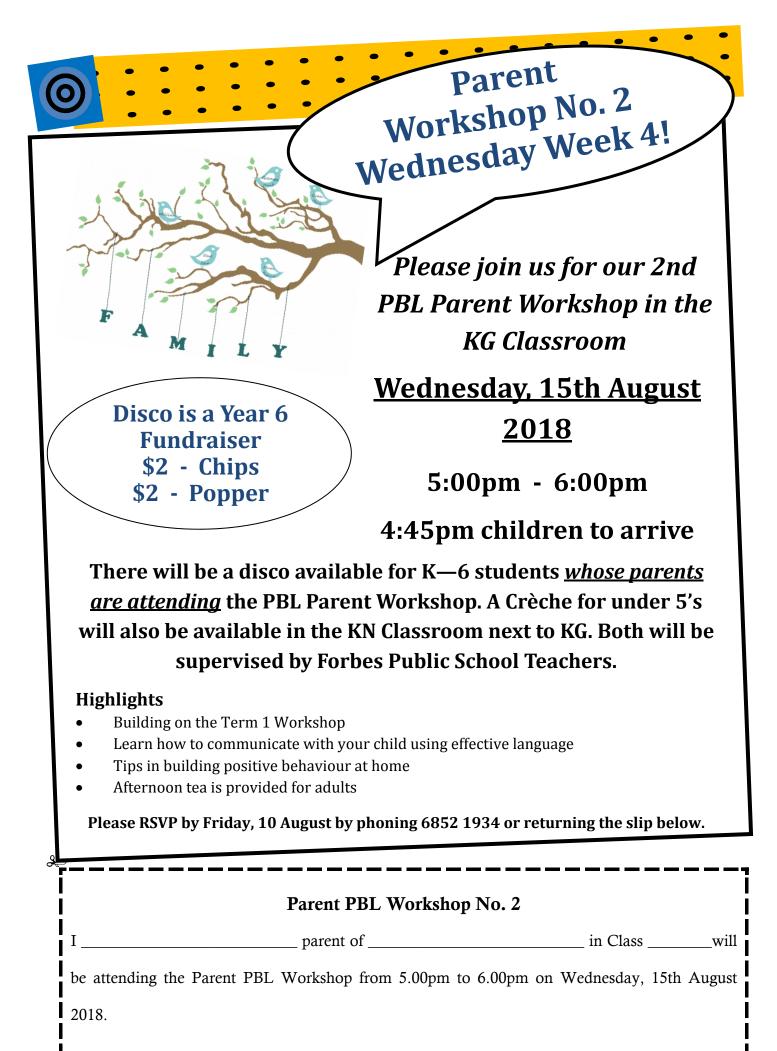
Good luck to all competitors in the field and track events. Students going on the school bus need to meet Mrs Stitt at the front gates at 7.15 am.



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**VISITING SOO** 

The Australian Red Cross Mobile Blood Service is visiting Forbes Monday 06 Aug 09.45am – 02.45pm (3 more donors needed) Tuesday 07 Aug 09.45am – 02.45pm (7 more donors needed) Wednesday 08 Aug 09.45am – 02.45pm (15 more donors needed) Call us on 13 14 95 to make an appointment



Number of children attending Disco: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children attending Crèche: \_\_\_

#### The Tell Them From Me student survey (Term 3, 2018)

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a *Tell Them From Me* student survey in Term 1 this year. Asking students to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year.

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used *Tell Them From Me* to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

More information about the survey is available at: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 27 August and 26 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

If you <u>do not want</u> your child to take part in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to your child's school by the 10<sup>th</sup> of August.

Dafydd Thomas Principal Forbes Public School Dr Jenny Donovan Executive Director Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation

#### Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey non-consent form

If you <u>do not want</u> your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to the school by the 10<sup>th</sup> of August.

I DO NOT give consent for my child/children to participate in the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey.

Name of student.....

Name of parent/carer .....

Signature of parent/carer .....

Date .....



## Forbes Public School

# August 2018

Term 3	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Term 3 Week 2			1	<b>2</b> Newsletter Leadership Day — Stage 2 and 3	<b>3</b> Touch Football— Gilgandra Assembly - 2A	4	5
Week 3	6 Education Week Commences Book Fair 8:30am - 3:30pm Open Classrooms -12:30pm Lunch on the Oval -1:00pm Stage 3 Excursion	7 Stage 3 Excursion	8 Combined Schools Church Service— Church in the Schoolyard Stage 3 Excursion	<b>9</b> Craft Group 9am –10am Dress up Character Day	<b>10</b> Lachlan District Athletics Carnival — Parkes	11	12
Week 4	13	<b>14</b> UNSW—Maths	<b>15</b> Year 7 Transition	<b>16</b> Newsletter Learning Centre Netball Gala Day Horse Riding—Young	17	18	19
Week 5	20	<b>21</b> Stage 3 2LVR Radio Show	22	23 LEEP—Tech and Ag	<b>24</b> Assembly - 2CH Reading Down Town Stage 2 & 3 Wheelchair Roadshow	25	26
Week 6	<b>27</b> Prep 4 Big School	<b>28</b> Prep 4 Big School LEEP at FHS Radio Program	<b>29</b> Year 7 Transition	<b>30</b> Newsletter Fathers' Day Breakfast Horse Riding—Young	<b>31</b> Lacrosse for Sport— Years 3—6	29	30

## PBL Reward Day - Semester 1









## COOKING



## FISHING



## **JUST DANCE!**





BOARD GAMES







GAMES ON THE OVAL





FREE PLAY





## **MOVIE / POPCORN**

























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# **WEDNESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER** 9:30AM WIRADJURI DREAMING CENTRE

# 10:30AM SOUTH CIRCLE OVAL

Service provider stalls Girri Girri Games Language lessons Snake display Traditional dance



## Youth V Services & Teachers Basketball and Touch football

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