

# Farmborough Road Public School

## Newsletter

WEEK 6 TERM 1 2015

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*Upward  
and  
onward.*



**Year 6 Camp continued...**

### For Your Calander

- 4/3 'dance2bfit' commences
- 5/3 K - 6 Assembly ~ Presented by Leamurra at 2pm
- 6/3 Clean Up Australia Day ~ 1pm
- 9/3 Author Visit ~ Deborah Abela
- 13/3 'Twilight Family Night' 6pm - 8pm

### ***Clean up Australia Day!***

This Friday all students will be involved in cleaning up our playground. Each class has been issued a portion of the playground and we are asking that parents send their children to school with some gloves. This is an Australia wide program and we ask that all students be involved.



**Very Important...change of routine...School Development Day...Change!**

On the parent calendar, which went home with with your children earlier in the Term, you will notice a school development day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April right before Good Friday. Students will **not** attend school on this day. Their holiday will

commence on this day. This is different to other schools and what may be advertised in the media. This is a change of routine for this year only and has been organised for some whole school professional Learning for teachers. We will be combining with the Berkeley schools, Warrawong PS and Woonona PS for this learning called Visible Literacy.

### ***We still need...Help in the Library... book coverers!***

Our Library is fantastic, we have been buying new quality reading texts some selected by teachers and many selected or requested by students but we can't put them on the shelves until they are covered. If you have a spare hour or two and would like to help out, we can give you all the things you need and you could cover some books in front of the TV at night. Please contact me if you can help out.

### ***Dance2bfit...!***

This program begins this week and will run for the remainder of term. It is part of the teaching and learning and all students are expected to participate. It is a fun and engaging way to learn this valuable skill and allows children to interact and build social skills. Please ensure that your child has their note and payments into the office ready to dance this week. Parents please explain to your children that... **students who choose not to participate in the Dance2bfit sessions will learn the 'Pride of Erin' with their teachers outside the hall.** Dance is a part of the scheduled learning for all students.....boys and girls!

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### Author Visit...Deborah Abela!

The school is really looking forward to our next author visit, our last one was very well received by the students. This event is funded by the school and will encourage a love of learning, reading and we are hoping writing! We have purchased some of her books for our library and the students are currently enjoying, "Max and Remy Superspies!"

See you around the playground!

Pam Grosse  
Principal

### Birthdays...

**Congratulations to the following students who will celebrate their birthday this week:**

Lauren 4/3 ~ Josh 3/3 ~ Samuel 7/3  
~ Macalister 4/3

### P&C News

Dear Parents and Carers

Hope you all had a super weekend. Only two weeks until our Twilight Family Night on Friday 13th March, from 6pm to 8pm. A flyer and order form for stars and extra sausages etc will be sent home this week. It will be a great night full of fun including jumping castle, chook poo lotto, slushie machine, disco, biscuit decorating plus much more. I hope to see lots of families come along. This year we are offering payment via direct deposit, see the note/flyer for details. Have a great week and take care.

Sally Taylor  
President

### Uniform Shop News...

We are still waiting for our Sports Shirts to arrive. Delivery date is scheduled for mid March.

The Uniform Shop is open Thursday mornings from 8:30am to 9:15am and is staffed by parent volunteers. We accept cash or cheque only. Layby is available for your convenience. If you can't make it on a Thursday morning please leave your order and payment with our lovely office ladies and we will have your items ready to be collected the following Thursday from the office. You can check out our current price list and the school uniform policy on the school website. Click on "Newsletters and Notes" and then "P&C Canteen and Uniform Shop"

### Farmborough Road Cross Country Carnival...

When: **Friday 20.3.15** (Week 8)  
Time: Primary  
(and 8 year old Year 2 students)  
12:00pm - 1.30pm  
Infants 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Where: Farmborough Road Public School Oval

All welcome

Regards Mr Richardson

This Weeks Assembly is for  
**K-6 Presented by Leamurra**  
@ 2pm

### Merit Awards

Term 1 Week 5

**Araluen** - Liam, Mia

**Amaroo** - Jayden, Bodie

**Leamurra** - Tori, Taylen

**Myaree** - Zane, Matilda

**Jimboomba** - Lauren, Casey

**Jamberoo** - Tayla, Kyle

**Yulara** - Tamea, Mia

### Stewart House School Clothing Appeal...

Please support Stewart House and The Smith Family Clothing Appeal by donating good, clean, wearable clothing, shoes, manchester and blankets

Stewart House and The Smith Family Clothing bags will be brought home today. Please note that the scheduled date for pick up of Stewart House Bags (White) is 6th May 2015. Please mark this date on your calendar to ensure that your bag is handed back in to the school office prior to this date.

The Smith Family Bag (Brown) is to be left outside your home on the specified day for collection.

Thank you

### Celebrate Attendance

Hints and Tips No. 3: Writing notes



Parents or caregivers are required by law to provide an explanation to the principal to say why their child was absent from school.

A note of explanation should contain:

1. Date that the note was written;
2. Child's name;
3. Days/dates the child was absent from school;
4. The reason the child was absent;
5. The signature of the child's parent or caregiver.

If more than one child from the same family has been absent a separate note for each child should be written.

A note should be brought to school on the first day the student returns to school after an absence. Your school is required to investigate all unexplained absences (where a child has been absent and no explanation has been received) within two days.

Did your child give the note to their teacher? This can sometimes be a problem with younger children.



Missing school leaves gaps in your education

Responsibility

Excellence

Respect



## What's happening in your local high school

### Illawarra Sports High?

This week three Illawarra Sports High School students (Amanda Tait, Nazim Zekir and Kate Latham) competed in the first round of the 2015 Lions Youth of the Year competition.

Students had to prepare a written application describing their academic, leadership, cultural and citizenship skills. They then had to attend an interview, perform a 5 minute prepared speech and perform two 2 minute impromptu speeches about current affairs topics in front of an audience of 25 Dapto Lions club members.

Amanda Tait was successful in making it through to the REGIONAL level of the competition.



# Community News...



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## REMINDER

### Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts

Audition Applications for Year 6 (2015) into Year 7 (2016) close on Friday 6th March. Auditions will be held in the last 3 weeks of this term.

**The Expo Evening is Thursday 26th February from 5:30 - 7pm**

Please contact Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts for more information on: 4229 6844