

# Farmborough Road Public School

## Newsletter

WEEK 4 TERM 2 2015

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**Some more  
team photos  
from DTTD**

*Upward  
and  
onward.*



### For Your Calendar

12/5 - 14/5	NAPLAN
14/5	Assembly ~ Presented by Araluen at 2pm
15/5	Rugby Trials
21/5	Sydney Writers Festival

### ***Opportunity Class Applications are now available!***

Year 4 students who wish to apply for this class need to do so soon. Information booklets are available from me upon request. Key dates for this year are...

#### **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

Website opens for applications to be completed and submitted.

#### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

Website closes

#### **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

Opportunity class placement test.

#### **Mid October**

Placement outcome information comes to schools.

### ***NAPLAN – A skills snapshot...***

If your child is in Year 3, 5, 7, or 9, they'll sit NAPLAN tests on May 12-14. And despite what you may have heard there's no need to panic or start an intensive study program with your child. Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/all-about-naplan>

First sessions were held today and were Language Conventions and Writing. If your child was away for any reason we will be doing catch up assessments on Friday.

### ***Sydney Writers Festival!***

We will be taking a group of interested writers (30) to this event again this year. Notes will go home soon and Ms Suey and Mr Richardson have agreed to attend this event with the students. This is a fantastic opportunity and we can only take 30 so if your child gets a note home about this event get it back to us right away. We will be backfilling the spaces.

***See you around the playground!***  
***Pam Grosse***  
***Principal***



*Onwards and  
Upwards*

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## P & C News...

Dear Parents & Carers

Hope all the Mum's and Grandmother's had a wonderful day on Sunday and that you all liked your gifts the children picked from the Mother's Day stall, thanks to Erin and everyone who helped wrap presents and man the stall last week. Congratulations to all the children who ran at the District Cross Country on Monday you all tried your best and some even got in the top 10.

Have a great week and take care.

Sally Taylor  
President

This week's Assembly is for  
K - 6 on Thursday at 2pm  
**Presented by Araluen  
Merit Awards**

## Year 6 Guessing Competition...

Year 6 are holding a guessing competition to raise funds for their yearly initiatives. Please support Year 6 by participating in the guessing competition.  
Details:

**3 different lolly jars to guess  
(Smarties, jellybeans and snakes).**

**Each jar is a different competition  
3 competitions in total.**

**50c a guess or 3 for \$1.**

**Competition guesses on sale  
before school and at Lunch 1 in  
the Library.**

**Presentation draw held at  
Week 8 assembly, unless all  
'guesses' sold out prior.**

thank you

## Head Lice...

Dear Parents,

As you know head lice can be an annoying problem. There have been cases of head lice in the school and it would be a good time to check your child's hair.

## Red Day...

This term the SRC will be hosting a red day to raise funds for our charity, The Salvation Army. It will be held on Friday 22nd May (Week 5). Please bring a \$2 gold coin donation to help us raise money. Please join us and wear red clothes and keep it appropriate (no singlet tops or thongs).

## Celebrate Attendance

Hints and Tips No. 4: Good Attendance



There are a number of sound reasons for you to ensure that your child attends school regularly.

Firstly, attending school every day makes learning easier. For younger students, missing the basic skills often leads to learning problems later on and for older student's absenteeism often interferes with academic progress. Friendships with other students are also easier if your child attends school regularly.

The law in NSW states that all children between the ages of 6 and 15 years are required to attend school. Sickness or injury, attendance at a special religious ceremony or a serious family situation are satisfactory reasons for non-attendance. Please let the school know why your child is not at school and provide an explanation on your child's return to school.

Birthdays, haircuts, pension days, Mondays etc are not satisfactory reasons for absence from school. Also try whenever possible to arrange your holidays in school vacation times.

Please contact your school principal if you need any help or have any questions.

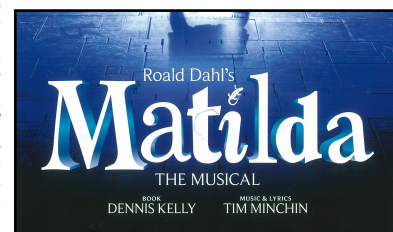


Missing school leaves gaps in your education

## Birthdays...

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

Ruby 10/5 ~ Luke 12/5 ~ Skye 15/5  
~ Hamish 16/5 ~ Gracie 13/5 ~  
Makedde 13/5



We have reserved 100 seats at  
the Lyric Theatre Sydney for:

**'Matilda The Musical'**  
Wednesday 16th December  
at 1pm

The cost is \$65.00 per person  
(B Reserve seats)

An expression of interest would  
be great, however, to secure your  
seats, payment will be required.



## Choose water as a drink

Tap water is not only thirst quenching, but it also contains fluoride which helps make teeth stronger. Water is:

- cheap
- readily available
- a thirst quencher without any kilojoules or sugar



Responsibility

Excellence

Respect

# Community News...



## At your local high school Illawarra Sports High?

Students, and staff of Illawarra Sports High school celebrated colours for Autism #coloursforautism and World Autism Day #WAAD by dressing 'colourful clothing and celebrating the spectrum. The Elouera classes in Years 7 & 8 sold brightly coloured cupcakes that they had baked and decorated to students throughout the school. Students painted nails and had a hair spray stand. This was a great day supporting and engaging our students.

Raechel McCarthy - Principal



## FREE fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier and happier!

Go4Fun® is a healthy lifestyle program for kids aged 7 to 13 years who are above their ideal weight. The program runs one afternoon per week over the school term and aims to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence. Program highlights include active games, tips on healthy food, label reading, portion sizes, a supermarket tour, plus much more!

Term 2 programs will be held at:

Horsley Community Centre every Tuesday from 4 – 6pm and

Albion Park Rail Public School every Thursday from 4 – 6pm

### REGISTRATIONS ARE STILL OPEN FOR TERM 2

For more information or to book in to a program please phone 1800 780 900, SMS for call back 0409 745 645 or visit [www.go4fun.com.au](http://www.go4fun.com.au).

**AST SURF SCHOOL**  
PRESENTS  
**SURF GROMS**  
5-12 YRS  
1800 711 189  
NORTH GONG THE FARM

**FREE SURF LESSON FOR 5-12 YEAR OLDS**

**AST SURF GROMS OPEN DAY!**  
- FREE SURF LESSON FOR KIDS 5-12 YEARS OLD. LOTS OF PRIZES AND GIVEAWAYS!  
- 16TH MAY, NORTH BEACH WOLLONGONG 12.00PM-2.00PM  
- 17TH MAY, THE FARM BEACH SHELL HARBOUR 12.00PM-2.00PM

**BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!**

CALL TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE  
**1800 711 189**  
[info@australianastours.com.au](mailto:info@australianastours.com.au)

**SURF SCHOOLS**  
Australian Surf Schools Association

## Beginner Guitar Lessons - Free trial lesson!

Beginner guitar lessons are now available with local guitar tutor, Lucy Mills. Book a free, 30 minute trial and get started! If you're happy with your trial, continue with affordable, regular lessons in a one-on-one, safe and enjoyable atmosphere.

Prices are: 30 mins - \$25 1 hour - \$35

Lucy holds a current Working with Children Check. Contact her at any time to discuss your trial lesson or further details.

E-mail: [lucy.mills@hotmail.com](mailto:lucy.mills@hotmail.com)

Mobile: 0435 718 580

## Neighbourhood Watch

Next NHW Meeting is on 27th May, 2015

Farmborough Road Public School Staff Room,

Admin Block ~ 7:30pm

Consider coming to our regular meetings, they're short

(about 1 hour) and lively! You'd be most welcome.