

# Farmborough Road Public School Newsletter

WEEK 3 TERM 3 2015

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## *Upward and Onward*



## *Farmborough Road Public School ~ Choir*

### For Your Calendar

- 28/7 P&C Meeting ~ Staffroom 7pm
- 30/7 Education Week Assembly ~ 2pm in the Hall
- 31/7 Book Club Orders due!

### *Visiting Author...Tristan Banks*

Tristan will be visiting the school later in the term and has offered our students this great opportunity to purchase some of his books. These are great stories which the students really engage in. Please see the details in the flyer which is attached to this newsletter.

### *Choral Festival...*

I had the very great pleasure of attending this event again this year. I have been to every Choral festival for the last 14 years and I have to say without any prejudice that not only was our choir the best on the night but definitely the best choir that has represented a school of which I have been principal. We looked great! We sounded fantastic, loud, clear and in tune! I am also pleased to mention that I was not the only one who thought

this as Mrs Townsend (one of our grandparents) also thought we were so great she took the time and effort to ring in and compliment our choir.

A very big thanks to our two teachers who organised and coordinated the choir, Mrs Beaumont and Mr McGee. We think you are both wonderful!

### *Education Week Assembly... Open classrooms... Public Speaking...*

Education Week is actually going to be Education Term for us here at Farmborough Road. We are planning on having our assembly this week then two open afternoons during the term, followed by our Grandparents day during Book Week. Stay tuned for more dates to come.

Public Speaking... The school is in

the process of finalising our Public

Speaking. Grade winners will present at the Education Week Assembly this Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July. Families of winners will receive an invite to the assembly. I am really looking forward to seeing and hearing our finalists.

Congratulations to our grade finalists...

Kinder - Lucy B  
Year 1 - Evan M  
Year 2 - Micah B  
Year 3 - Alexandra M  
Year 4 - Olivia L  
Year 5 - Lauren M  
Year 6 - Mairead D

Stage finalists will be selected to represent our school at the Community of School assembly to be held at the Illawarra Sports High School later in the term.

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*Onwards and  
Upwards*

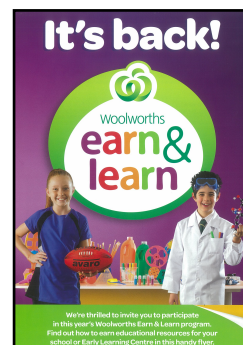
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### ***Woolworths Earn & Learn!***

When you shop at Woolies you will be offered stickers...please say yes to these and send them into school. The more we collect the more we can get from Modern Teaching Aids. This company has many great teaching aids that we can use these stickers to purchase. When I was at Corrimal Public School we got several maths kits and some great Lego robotics kits for the classrooms. So please tell all your Mums, Dads Nans and Pops that we need their help, shop at Woolies and save the stickers for us! Send them to school or there is a Farmborough Road box at the Unanderra Woolies!



### ***P&C Meeting tonight!***

In the staffroom at 7pm. I will have the jug on so see you there.

**See you around the playground!**

***Pam Grosse  
Principal***

### ***School Uniform... Jumpers!***

We are very proud of our school uniform here at Farmborough Road and we strive to wear it at ALL times!! It has come to the attention of our teachers that students are coming to school out of uniform, particularly in jumpers. Could you please ensure that your child/ren have a school jumper available for them to wear in these cold months.  
Thank you.

### ***P & C News***

Dear Parents & Carers

Hope you all had an awesome weekend. Our next P & C meeting is tonight 28th July at 7pm in the staffroom. All welcome to come along and have a cuppa and find out what is happening around the school. The kids all enjoyed crazy hair day last Friday and it looked like there were some very cool hairstyles on the day. Have a great week and keep warm.  
Take care.

Sally Taylor  
President

### ***Uniform Shop News...***

The uniform shop is open 8.30 to 9.15 Thursday mornings 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 pick up from the office the following Thursday. A copy of the Uniform shop price list can be found on the school website. Click on "Newsletters and Notes" and then "P&C, Canteen and Uniform Shop".



This week's  
**Education Week Assembly**  
is for K - 6 on Thursday at 2pm  
**Merit Awards**

Term 3 Week 2

**Yulara** - Jesse, Summer  
**Araluen** - Micah, Mikaela  
**Amaroo** - Karlia, Jeremy  
**Cooinda** - Cynthia, Harry  
**Leamurra** - Phoebe, Hugh  
**Myaree** - Makedde, Dylan  
**Jamberoo** - Flynn, Kyle  
**Ningaloo** - Abi, Peter

### 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

### *International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) 2015...*

The students listed below will participate in the Maths assessment for the *International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)* on Thursday August 6th. Can parents please make sure that the students meet in Mr McGee's room at 8am.

Year 2: Liam S.

Year 3: Stewart and Alex

Year 4: Kassidy, Lola, Makadde and Jayden S

Year 6: Declan Joyce

Thank you, Ms Suey

### *Red Room Poetry Competition...*

Last term all classes attended poetry workshops. The Red Room Company will publish the poems written in the workshop and/or in library over the last couple of weeks. The poems written by primary students will be published on the Red Room Project website therefore all primary students must return the 'Permission to Publish' note. (A copy has been attached to the newsletter). Each class teacher has a list of which students have already returned this note. It would be appreciated if parents could ensure that their child's note has been returned by the end of Week 3.

Thank you, Ms Suey

### *Book Club...*

Our first issue of Bookclub for this Term was sent home last week. Please have all orders and payments in to the office by **Friday 31st July**. No late orders will be accepted.



### *Birthdays...*

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

Alexander 1/8 ~ Kyle 29/7 ~ Tarissa 26/7 ~ Abi 30/7

### *Story Competition...*

A number of our students have been reading books by an author named Tristan Bancks. Tristan writes a series titled 'My Life'. Tristan is running a story writing competition that our primary students (8 years +) may like to enter. This is a great opportunity for our students to show off their story writing skills. More details can be found at : [www.randomhouse.com.au/competitions/entryform.aspx?id=633](http://www.randomhouse.com.au/competitions/entryform.aspx?id=633) Competition closes on 31/08/2015. Tristan will be visiting our school on Friday August 6th to inspire our wonderful writers and readers.

### *Premier's Spelling Bee...*

Primary students have the opportunity to participate in the Premier's Spelling Bee over the next 3 weeks. Students have access to the Premier's Spelling Bee Word Lists located on the website listed below. Due to copyright issues we are not allowed to publish the password. Students can ask their class teacher for the password. Class teachers will inform their students when class and stage finals are to be held. The regional final will be held at our school on September 9<sup>th</sup>.



<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/speaking-competitions/2015-premiers-spelling-bee>

# Community News...



## Starting Big School Information Night

### Enrolling your child in Kindergarten in 2016

This session is open to any interested parents whether they intend enrolling at **Farmborough Road PS** or any other school. The aim of the night will be to discuss school readiness, the enrolment process and how to prepare children (and parents) for what is a very significant part of their lives.



Wednesday 12th August from 6:30 - 7:30pm  
Farmborough Road PS Staffroom - Phone 42 711 133

## Be Part of a Team



### Girls and Boys, Year 3-6

## Learn to play basketball at the Illawarra Sports Stadium!

Registration days: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August 4:30 - 6 pm  
and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August 8 - 9:30 pm at the ISS.

A 6 week skills development program will run from 14/15 August to 18/19 September, for \$15.

Following this will be a September holiday program and weekly games in term 4.

Teams and clubs will be organised at the end of the year for the 2016 competition. The ISS will provide administrative support and assistance.



[www.illawarrasportsstadium.com.au](http://www.illawarrasportsstadium.com.au)

02 4272 8651 9am-12pm, Monday & Thursday

The Illawarra Sports Stadium (ISS) - Fred Finch Park, Hooka Creek Road BERKELEY



Illawarra Sports Stadium

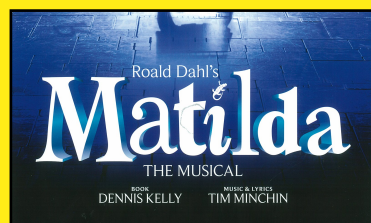
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## Wollongong Harmony Chorus is celebrating Christmas in July



You are invited to join us at  
Farmborough Road School Hall  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July  
at 7.30pm  
for a night of Christmas songs and supper

More information:  
Jan 0412 409 949



A reminder that a \$10  
deposit per ticket is  
required if you would  
like to secure your seats  
for this event.



## FIGTREE JUNIOR OZTAG REGISTRATIONS @ WEST'S ILLAWARRA LEAGUES CLUB

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> & Mon 24<sup>th</sup> August  
5.30 - 7.00 pm

Organise your team or be placed in a  
team (not guaranteed)

For further information  
[www.wollongongoztag.com.au](http://www.wollongongoztag.com.au)  
under Figtree Juniors

REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED  
ONCE THE COMP HAS STARTED

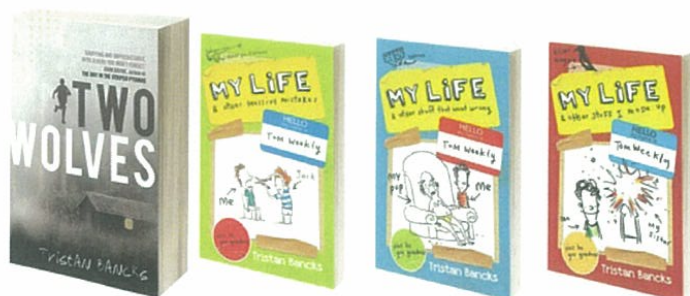
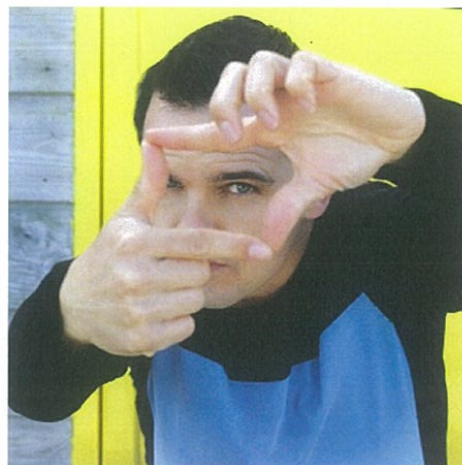




# Order books now for Tristan Bancks' author talk!

On **7 August** author **Tristan Bancks** will be visiting our school, talking to students about his life as a writer. A fantastic opportunity to get to know the ins-and-outs of writing stories.

Hear about Tristan's journey from Blue Mountains schoolboy to teen TV actor and presenter in the UK and Australia, to his life as an author. Discover the books Tristan loves to read, how he finds inspiration and how he makes a living telling stories. Along the way, have lots of laughs and gain valuable tips on using your own life to inspire your own funny, gross or thrilling stories.



Tristan's latest laugh-out-loud read is **My Life and Other Massive Mistakes**. Like his other two **My Life** books, it's a collection of hilarious tales. Get to know Tom Weekly and his secrets, like the time he ate Vegemite off his sister's toe or the time he helped his pop escape from a nursing home!

Tristan's thriller for older readers **Two Wolves**, shortlisted for this year's Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year Awards, sees Ben Silver caught up in a mystery. Ben's always wanted to be a detective. But what would you do if you thought your parents had committed a crime? Tell someone? Or keep the secret and live life on the run?

**Students may order books and have the author sign them.  
PLEASE BRING YOUR ORDER FORM ON OR BEFORE EVENT DAY.**

**School name:** Farmborough Road **Event date:** 7th August  
**Student name:** **Class:**

I would like to purchase the following books:

Title	Year range	Price	Quantity	Amount
My Life and Other Stuff I Made Up	3-7	\$16.00		
My Life and Other Stuff that Went Wrong	3-7	\$16.00		
My Life and Other Massive Mistakes	3-7	\$16.00		
Two Wolves	5-9	\$17.00		
15% off Purchase of all 4 books		\$55.25		
(Class-set orders also 15% off.)		<b>TOTAL</b>		

☐ Cash or cheque (to 'Tristan Bancks') attached in an envelope.



POETRY IN UNUSUAL  
AND USEFUL WAYS

## PERMISSION TO PUBLISH STUDENT WORKS SAMPLES

Date \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Student Permission

I (given and family name), \_\_\_\_\_ give permission for my work/images/recordings to be used publically in The Red Room Company's education materials and on the website. This work can be accessed via the Internet and/or displayed and/or published and distributed subject to the conditions as outlined herein.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Parent/Caregiver Permission

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