

Farmborough Road Public School Newsletter

TERM 4 WEEK 2 2017

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*Archibald Exhibition at the Art
Gallery of New South Wales*



***Onward
And
Upward***



For Your Calendar

20/10	<i>Crazy Hair Day – Please donate a gold coin!</i>
20/10	Silver Afternoon Tea.
20/10	K-6 Assembly – 12:45pm – Yangah presenting.
24/10	P&C Meeting – 7pm in the staffroom.
4/11	TRIVIA NIGHT.

P&C Meeting Dates

**24th October
21st November**

Attendance...is an issue!

Did you know???? 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.

We are sending home some notes, prepared by the school, for you to fill out and return.

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. We are required to investigate all unexplained absences (where a child has been absent and no explanation has been received) within two days.

These excuses are unacceptable and will be recorded as unexplained

- "We slept in."
- "I needed a new haircut."
- "To buy a new lunchbox."
- Mum wasn't organized
- Family holiday / long weekend – There is a special form of exemption which needs to be completed.

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Email: farmborord-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Website: www.farmborord-p.schools.nsw.edu.au



Kinder Enrolments...

We are starting to look ahead to 2018. If you know anyone who is yet to enrol their child for Kinder please encourage them to do so as soon as possible to ensure they are able to attend our Kinder Orientation Sessions. Invitations were sent out to our new kinders at the end of last term. Also, if you are moving out of the area and changing schools please send a message through to the office. This will enable us to determine class sizes and staffing to ensure a smooth start to 2018.

Silver Afternoon Tea...Friday 20th October

I have handed out invites today! If your child has been invited they are welcome to come in Mufti on Friday. Only students with an invite can attend. We will be holding an afternoon tea nearly every week this term so no one will miss out.

P&C Meeting Week 3...

Our first P&C Meeting of the term will be held on **Tuesday 24th October** at 7:00pm in the staffroom. As usual we will have the jug on and some nice biscuits to share. In my absence Mrs Farrugia will be looking forward to meeting with new members.

See you around the playground!

Pam Grosse

Principal

Visual Literacy

Over the coming weeks, classes will be learning about Visual Literacy when working with me in the library. This study will look at how visuals are used to create stories and add to stories. We will look at how meaning is enhanced or changed through illustrations used in picture books.

Each class working with me will be using magazines to search for examples of visual literacy during this study. I would appreciate any donations of unwanted magazines appropriate for school use – TV Week, comics, children's magazines, sports magazines, Take That, Who, New Idea, etc. I am particularly looking for pictures of people interacting with each other.

There will be a bucket in the library entryway for any donations from now until the end of Week 3 (Oct 27th). Thanks in advance for your assistance.

ICAS Certificates

Certificates for students who entered the English and Maths ICAS tests will be handed out at this week's assembly.

Ms Suey

Birthdays...

Congratulations to the following students who celebrated their birthday this week!

Joshua 21/10

Merit Awards... Term 4 Week 1

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards this week:

Jimboomba

Chloe, Lana

Merinda

Sophie, Jesse

Yangah

Rosabella, Kaleesha

Leamurra

Karcen, Valentina

Yulara

Kirby, Jackson

Matong

Steven, Ariana

Coolangatta

Ashleigh, Kaitlin C

Gilabiny

Daniel, Catalina

Balamara

Andre, Jack

Orana

Xavier, Beau, Lennox,
Gibson, London

Swimming Scheme 2017...



It's that time of year again!!! This year's Swimming Scheme will run from 27th November to 8th December (weeks 8 and 9). The first offerings are to students who have or are turning 8 in 2017. The P&C are kindly covering the cost for these students. Notes were sent home with ONLY these students last week. Please return notes to the office ASAP. More notes will follow over the coming weeks.

CRAZY HAIR DAY

To help raise funds and awareness for Cystic Fibrosis we will be having a 'CRAZY HAIR DAY' this Friday 20th October. A gold coin donation is asked of the students who participate in this event.



Celebrate Attendance

Hints and Tips No. 8: Tips for Parents



There are some simple yet effective tips that parents can follow to ensure their child has a happy day at school.

Make sure your child has a good nights sleep.

Make sure you and your child get up early enough to

- have breakfast
- get lunch ready
- pack a school bag
- get dressed

Be organised – help your child pack bags and have homework and sports gear ready for the next day.

Be involved with your school – meet with your child's teacher and talk regularly.

- Offer your support and help.
- Read notes from school and reply on time.
- Phone the school if you want information.
- Listen to your child read.
- Show an interest in homework



Missing school leaves gaps in your education

YES!
We have air
conditioned
classrooms!

Thankyou...

It was great to see so many of you at our 'Spooky Disco' last Friday night. Thankyou to all the parent and teacher volunteers who helped make this event possible. Your gift of time is greatly appreciated.

TRIVIA NIGHT

**SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER
7:00PM**

Kembla Heights Bowling Club

\$20

**Covers entry, finger food,
prizes and more!
Create your own team
(8 – 10 people)
or join one of ours.**

Tickets are available at FRPS Office. Phone 4271 1133 for more information or email frps-events@hotmail.com



All profits raised from this event will fund playground equipment for our students!



Our P&C need your help!!

Farmborough Road Public School's P&C will be holding a raffle at our upcoming Trivia Night. We are asking members of our community to donate an item of choice that would compliment one of the following hampers:

Pamper Hamper

Picnic Hamper

Handyman Hamper

Sports Hamper

All donations can be handed in to the school office.
Thankyou.

FRPS TRIVIA NIGHT



Who won the people's choice award in this year's Archibald Prize?

Responsibility

Excellence

Respect

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2019?

You must apply online at
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



'Intention to Apply' form is over the page!

Key dates

Tuesday 10 October 2017

Application website opens

Monday 13 November 2017

Application website closes. You must apply by the due date.

Thursday 1 March 2018

Test authority advice sent to all applicants

Thursday 15 March 2018

Selective High School Placement Test

Friday 6 July 2018

Placement outcome information is sent

Information booklets are available at the office!

There is more information at:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc>

Parents should check this website for updates all the way through the application and placement process. Please check the website for information before you contact the Unit.

Term 4 Calendar

Information & enquiries please contact
 Local Facilitator Allison McKenzie
 On 0448254779 or email-
Allison.mckenzie4@det.nsw.edu.au

Families at Farmborough
 School Community Centre
A Schools as Community Centres Project



NSW Schools as Community Centres Project: Supporting Families with children 0-8

Unless otherwise stated, all programs are located at Farmborough Road Public School, Unanderra

Farmborough
 Road PS
 56 Farmborough
 Road, Unanderra
 NSW 2526
 Ph: 42711133



familiesNSW
 supporting families to raise children



Education &
 Communities

Monday



Circle of Security
 INTERNATIONAL
 Early Intervention Program for Parents & Children

Farmborough Road
Circle of Security
Parenting program
 10.00am to 12.00pm
 Starts 16th October-
 4th December
 8 weeks
 Contact Sue or Gina
 42607400
 Limited childcare
 available
 bookings essential

Tuesday

Farmborough Road
PLAYGROUP
 9.30am-11am
 Starts 17th October-
 5th December

All welcome. Bring fruit
 to share for morning
 tea. Enjoy free play,
 craft, story and games.

FREE



Wednesday

Farmborough Road
Music Group
 10.00am-11.00am
 Starts 18th October-
 6th December
 All welcome. Enjoy
 music and stories
 followed by free play.
 Bring morning tea.



Early Years Care

Early Years Playschool
 Creative play, Art & Craft
 for families and children
 under 5. 9.30am-
 11.30am
 Bring morning tea (nut
 free)
 To contact Marie Smith on
 PH: 42562072

Thursday

Farmborough Road
Kindy's Starters
 Playsessions 9.30-11am
 Program at the SaCC.
 Thursdays Starts 19th
 October- 7th December
 & make some new friends.
 Please bring some fruit to
 share for morning tea.
 SaCC Transition to
 School
 2nd November term 4
 9.30am-11.00am
 This is an opportunity for
 Children and their parents
 to learn about starting
 school in 2018
 Information for parents &
 entertainment for children.
 Contact Allison
 0448254779

Friday

Berkeley West PS
PLAYGROUP
Paint and Play
 9.30am-11.00am
 Starts 20th October-
 8th December
 Berkeley West Public
 School (preschool room)
 Please bring fruit
 for morning tea. FREE



Barnardos
 Australia

"Barnardos Women's
 Support Group"
 Contact Laura or
 Kristen for further details
 on
 42758575
 (This is a closed group)

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 15 March 2018.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2019, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 10 October 2017 in a printed application information booklet and at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> on 10 October 2017 and closes on 13 November 2017. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 10 October 2017.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Remember: the tear-off slip below is **not an application** and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Principal

Out along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you **intend** to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2019

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in 2019

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes EITHER

I have internet access and will be applying online

☐

OR

I do not have internet access and will use the public library to complete the application

☐

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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Community News...



CTI. Custom Tutoring Institute

Personalised tuition - Kinder to Adults

Custom Tutoring Institute is a locally family-owned tutoring business. We offer personalised tuition one-on-one or in small groups of up to 3 students.

Our professional and friendly staff aim to assist students with everything from homework completion, assessment tasks and study through to remedial assistance for struggling learners. Regular communication between parents and tutors is encouraged.

As a member of the Australian Tutoring Association, we are held to high standards and therefore offer the best service available. Discover the difference our personalised approach can make for your child or yourself.

Contact us to book an obligation
free consultation today!

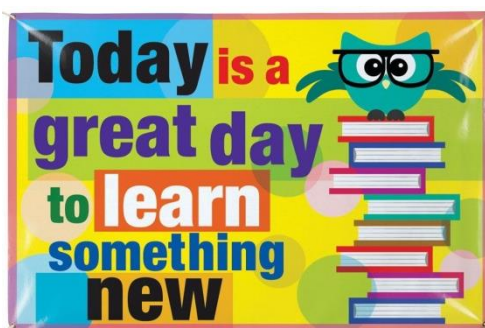
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Member of the
Australian Tutoring
Association

f CustomTrainingIllawarra



Nicolas Serray Music Training

Guitar - Classical &
Contemporary



Music Theory

Wednesday & Thursday Afternoons

Located in a comfortable studio in Berkeley

0435 852 649

Call for a booking!

SCG Halloween Party

Calling all
GHOULS AND BOYS

Please join us for a Halloween costume party at South Coast Gymnastics Academy

Saturday 28th October
6:00pm till 9:00pm

\$30 per person with small meal included.

RSVP by Wednesday 25th October
42275722 or admin@scga.com.au

SHARE YOUR WORLD!

WITH AN OVERSEAS EXCHANGE STUDENT!



TAKE A LEAP OF FAITH

Have you ever considered having an overseas exchange student stay in your home? WEP is looking for Australian families to provide a home for a student from overseas.

Thank your family for an overseas experience like no other by having an overseas student from overseas. Share a piece of your heart and your home and support a young person make the most of their time of living and studying in a foreign country.

If you have a spare room and are interested in other cultures, we would love to have you and your family. We'll provide the student with a safe and secure home, a loving person to look after them and a chance to experience a new way of life.

CONTACT WEP

1300 884 733 INFO@WEP.ORG.AU WEP.ORG.AU

MEET DAVID!

"I have a passion for the arts. I dedicate a lot of my time to photography, drawing, music and writing. I am also addicted to reading and I'm a great cook. I have an active nature and enjoy outdoor sports such as volleyball, tennis and running. I'm from a loving family and I love to tell them all about my day. I hope my host family enjoy the experience as much as I will!"

STEP 1 - REQUEST PROGRAM INFO

• Email or call Sylvia at WEP: syvia@wep.org.au or 1300 884 733

STEP 2 - CHOOSE YOUR STUDENT

• WEP will send you comprehensive program and student information so you can choose the student best suited to your family.

STEP 3 - PREPARE FOR ARRIVAL

• WEP will assist your application, prepare you for your student's arrival and take care of everything including school enrolment, assistance with your application for relevant working with children checks, flights, insurance and travel.



KINDER 2018

STARTERS!

Schools as a Community Centre

Thursday 9:30 - 11am

THE MORE THAT YOU

read

THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL

know

THE MORE THAT YOU

learn

THE MORE PLACES YOU'LL

go

DR. SEUSS

Smart Kids 101