

# Farmborough Road Public School Newsletter

TERM 2 WEEK 3 2018

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**P & C Dates:**

**Term 2**

**Tuesday, 15 May**

**Tuesday, 12 June**

**Assembly Dates**

**Every 2nd Friday –**

**12:45pm**

**18 May – Balamara**



**Life Education visited  
FRPS this week**



## For Your Calendar

15/05	NAPLAN Online Test Window begins
15/05	P&C Meeting - 7pm
18/05	Assembly (Balamara Class Item) – 12:45pm
18/05	Book Club Loop DUE
23/05	ISHS 4 x 4 Challenge commences

**Onward  
And  
Upward**



## Student Absences...

Daily school attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. When it is necessary for your child/ren to be absent from school, a valid explanation is required by law within 7 days. All unexplained absences will be marked as unjustified on our school system. If you are planning to go on a holiday during the school term please see us in the office to complete and 'Application for Extended Leave'. This will be given to Mrs Grosse for approval.



Well it's that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking! Not only is walking a wonderful way to get you where you want to be, but it also gets your health – and your child's health on the right track too. So that's why this year our school is participating in National Walk Safely to School Day THIS Friday! Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for this **Friday, 18 May 2018!**

For more information, visit [www.walk.com.au](http://www.walk.com.au)



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Upward**

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Website: [www.farmborord-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.farmborord-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)



### 3 Way conferences for FRPS!

#### Why?

Many schools in Australia are now using some form of student-led or three-way conferences to report to and share information with parents. This reporting procedure, in which the student is very actively involved in the learning and reporting process, is a fundamental shift away from the one-way transference of information from teacher to parents, and is consistent with the characteristics of effective pedagogy that we foster here at FRPS.

#### What will they look like?

Parents will book in online to organise a time. (More on this later) Parents and students will attend the classroom 15 minutes before the scheduled time to review the student work samples. The student has an opportunity to share with their parents their growth as a learner. Student and parents sit together and talk about the student's learning by looking at and discussing a range of the student's work samples, goals and reflections.

At the scheduled time the teacher will join the conversation and focus more on the learning progressions and where the student is placed. They will provide both the student and the parent with same ideas and suggestions about where to next for the learner and how the parents can support this at home. Each conference will last about twenty minutes with times selected through our on-line booking system.

### Family Sausage Sizzle and Games Night!

We understand that parents are busy, so to enable parent and student to participate we are going to feed (a sausage sizzle) and entertain (supervised games and activities in the hall for students who are not involved in the conferencing sessions) families while these meetings take place. We have two dates for the 3Way conferences and we ask parents to schedule all your meetings on the one night if you have more than one student requiring a conference.

During Week 10 we will be open on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July from 4pm till 7pm then again the next day on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> July from 4pm till 7pm. A note will come home prior to the day for catering purposes so you can book your family in for dinner. All booking will be online. Only families of students booked in to attend the 3 way conferences will be catered for during these sessions.

**See you around the playground.**

**Pam Grosse**

**Principal**

#### P&C News...

Dear Parents & Carers  
I hope you all had a wonderful Mother's Day and enjoyed the lovely gifts chosen by your children.

A reminder that our next P&C Meeting is on tonight at 7pm in the school staffroom. We would love to see you there!

**Erin Oxenbridge**

**P&C President**

#### District Cross Country

A huge congratulation is in order for all Farmborough Road students who qualified for the Dapto District Cross Country!

All students should be extremely proud of themselves for the way they conducted themselves on the day, and the spirit they competed with. You have all done Farmborough Road Proud!

*Mr Poole and Mr Haines*

### Birthdays...

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

Gracie P – 13/05

Taya S – 15/05

Hamish D – 16/05

Valentina V, Kuiper S – 17/05

### Merit Awards...

#### Term 2 Week 2

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at Assembly last week:

**Matong**

Choen T, Sienna V

**Jimboomba**

Lacey K, Jake V

**Yangah**

Lana Z, Charli L

**Myaree**

Bella S, Sophie G

**Giralang**

Evan M, Chloe H

**Coolangatta**

Hayley H, Josh W

**Yulara**

Cynthia S, Hannah Z

**Merinda**

Jaydee D, Daniel C

**Balamara**

Andre T, Sophie N

**Coolabah**

Jye B

**Orana**

Niko K, London H, Lennox T

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Hi Kids! How are your skipping tricks going?

Can you do double-unders and criss-cross yet? It's not long until your Jump Off day, so keep practising.

Have you got any sponsors yet? Why not get Mum and Dad to help you use the computer to get online sponsors.

It's easy and it's fun!! Log on to: **jumprope.org.au** and follow the directions!

Heart Foundation

*Jump Rope for Heart*

This week's Star Fundraiser  
for Jump Rope for Heart  
is...  
Jack Brown from Matong!!!

## National Family Reading Month Competition

1<sup>st</sup> May – 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018 is "National Family Reading Month". As part of the annual event, we invite students to participate by reading for 10 minutes everyday. Student's can log their progress online at [www.scholastic.com.au/nfrm](http://www.scholastic.com.au/nfrm)

There are 50 prize packs on offer, where students have a chance to win a \$100 book voucher. Please see the Koala Reading Log Template on the website above for more details.



## Australian Early Development Census

The AEDC is a nationwide census that measures the progress of children as they start their first year of full time school. Kindergarten teachers will be collecting data shortly. Kindergarten Parents can find further information on the School App and School website.

Please return payment and order forms to the office by  
**FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY**



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for Parents

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[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)



## Southern Stars

Currently we have not enough to fill the quota for our participation in Southern Stars. This Friday (18<sup>th</sup>) will be the cut off. If you would like your child to participate please get a note from the front office or check School Facebook and the School App.

Thank you,  
Ms Lyons, Mrs Dunn and Miss Fellows.

## Enrolments

We are looking ahead to 2019 and are taking enrolments for Kindergarten.

If you know anyone who is planning to enrol their child for Kinder please encourage them to do so. Please see us in the office for an enrolment pack.

## Garden Update

FRPS Garden is coming along. We have established two more garden beds where the students have been working hard shoveling soil. This week all classes are planting seeds of one kind or another. They will be grown in small pots/egg cartons until they are established as seedlings before transplanting them to the garden. If you have some spare empty egg cartons, could you bring them in by Friday please. Thank you for the seeds/seedlings that have been donated. Stage 2 are experimenting with seed growing this term and we hope to add them to the garden. We have been very impressed with the work ethic the students have been bringing to the garden. We hope to see some rewards in the months to come.

Kind regards,  
Mr GB and Ms Lyons





## Social Media Alert!

It's hard to keep up with all the social media platforms and apps our kids want to use. Even if you don't know a lot about social media yourself, you can help your child stay safe online simply by asking them about the social media accounts they are using, and regularly reminding them the importance of keeping their personal information private. The simplest way to stay informed is to ask your child what apps and social media they know about and ask them to show you how they work.

It's a good, non-threatening approach because:

kids and teens find out about new apps, games and social networks long before we do and even less chatty teens tend to enjoy the chance to share their expertise. You'll narrow your focus down to only those social networks and apps your kids use it and it opens up the conversation about social media tools and their social life in general. If you ask your child to show you how to "block" other users, "report" abuse, "delete" their own posts and change their privacy settings, you'll learn how it's done but also know they're able to use those options if they need to.

Particular apps to be aware of are:

- **Instagram** – Many kids are creating fake accounts to hide content from parents
- **Snapchat** – Sending messages and snaps that disappear within seconds and stories go away after 24 hours. No evidence for parents to see. Some kids are using the app to send racy pics because they believe the images can't be saved and circulated, but forget that a screenshot can be taken before the image disappears.
- **Calculator%** - Looks like a calculator but functions like a secret photo vault.
- **Musical.ly** - Watch, create, and share videos. 18+ adult content is unable to be filtered or blocked. Users can search for other users to view or follow near their own location/city. Bullying in comments is common.
- **Kik** – Messaging app in which users are allowed to create anonymous accounts and age is not verified.
- **Whisper** – An anonymous app where the creators promote sharing secrets and meeting new people.

The good news is we don't have to be social media experts to keep our kids safe, but we do have to be good communicators and talk to them regularly about their social lives – both on and offline.



## WARM SOUP!

**Only \$2.50  
with a roll**

**PUMPKIN  
TOMATO  
CHICKEN & SWEET CORN**

## Thank you...

A BIG thank you to the following volunteers who helped make the Mother's Day Stall a success this year. We raised over a massive \$650 this year alone, which will go towards resources for the school. Without these volunteers we wouldn't be able to provide your children with the opportunity to spoil their mums!

*Erin Oxenbridge  
Jodie Polley  
Mel Sherlock  
Donna Drain  
Haley Harding*



## Learning Labs

The University of Wollongong will be running academic enrichment programs for high achieving students from Year 1 to 6 in the July school holidays. An information sheet is attached to the newsletter.

Should your child suit the application criteria and be interested in attending any of the Learning Labs programs, please fill out the application form on the website under 'available workshops and how to apply' in the relevant Learning Labs stream. The application is an online form.

Please contact the office or myself if you have questions regarding documentation required for applications.

Regards,  
Ms Suey

# Learning Labs

## JULY 2018

**AN ACADEMIC  
ENRICHMENT  
PROGRAM FOR  
HIGH ACHIEVING  
STUDENTS FROM  
YEAR 1 TO YEAR 6**

Places for this program fill quickly. Please distribute this information to students as soon as possible to avoid possible disappointment.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE WEDNESDAY,  
30TH MAY 2018**

More information about the workshops on offer and the application process can be found online at [uow.info/learninglabs](http://uow.info/learninglabs)



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### LITTLE LEARNING LABS

(YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)

DATE: 9 and 10 July, 2018

LOCATION: University of Wollongong

FEE: \$150

### LITTLE MINI-LABS

(YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)

DATE: 9 July, 10 July, 2018 - depending on workshop

LOCATION: University of Wollongong

FEE: \$80

### EARLY LEARNING LABS

(YEARS 3 TO 6 DURING 2018)

DATE: 11 and 12 July, 2018

LOCATION: University of Wollongong

FEE: \$160

### EARLY MINI-LABS

(YEARS 3 TO 6 DURING 2018)

DATE: 11 and 12 July, 2018 - depending on workshop

LOCATION: University of Wollongong

FEE: \$85

### PROGRAM INFORMATION

Little and Early Learning Labs is an enrichment program designed for students who are performing in the top 10% - 15% in their area of interest, equipping their peer group, and are seeking a challenging and fun experience during the school holidays. All workshops are held over one, dual lab days or two days, and are presented by teachers with specialist training or a specific interest in the field of education. There will be sponsorship places available for some participants - please see more details on how to apply for these places on the website

### WORKSHOPS ON OFFER



#### Rock On (Year 1/2)

While walking on the beach or taking in the moonlit seas, have you ever picked up a rock and wondered what it was made from and where it came from? Well now it's your chance to find out!

"Rock On" is an interactive workshop where students will get the chance to explore the amazing world of rocks. You will get the chance to explore the dynamics of the physical environment and learn about processes like plate tectonics, earthquakes and volcanoes that have occurred over millions of years, and yet we still find traces of them around us. If you would like to find out more then all you need to do is just rock up.



#### Coloured by Light (Year 3/4)

Have you ever wondered why the grass is green or why sunsets are red?

In this workshop you will perform experiments that split white light into the rainbow and put it back together again. We will look at how light bounces between mirrors, bends through lenses, makes the small big and the big small. You will also investigate how the eye and brain work together to 'see' colours and how we can use light to create feelings of hot or cold, happy or sad in theatre.



#### The Monster Workshop of Monsters (Year 5/6)

Werewolves and zombies and ghosts, oh my! If you love to read and write, and you're not afraid of things that go bump in the night, this is the workshop for you!

This workshop is all about building skills in English literature/media analysis and creative thinking and writing by looking at monsters in fiction and history. Monsters frighten us and fascinate us, and we use them to explore and define what makes us human.

A full list of the available workshops to choose from will be posted on the website in May, 2018 when applications open. Please note that the program books up quite quickly, so ensure you submit your application as early as possible.

### APPLICATION & CONTACT DETAILS

For more detailed workshop descriptions, how to apply, FAQs, and the online application form, please go to: [uow.info/learninglabs](http://uow.info/learninglabs)


For all other enquiries, please contact the Learning Labs team via:  
E: [learning-labs@uow.edu.au](mailto:learning-labs@uow.edu.au) P: (02) 4221 5557

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/UOWandP](https://www.facebook.com/UOWandP)

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE WEDNESDAY, 30TH MAY 2018**




# Community News...



## Term 2 Circus Classes

Use your active kids rebate



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Contact [cmadmin@circusmonoxide.com.au](mailto:cmadmin@circusmonoxide.com.au) 4285 0066



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for children, their families and carers in NSW

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kidsfestshellharbour.com.au

Welcome to the 11th KidsFest Shellharbour - the longest running community  
run FREE week-long festival for children, their families and carers in NSW.

## Sunday 20 May

### All aboard the KidsFest Express

**10am-3pm**  
Illawarra Light Railway Museum  
48a Tongara Rd Alton Park Rd  
Bring the family together picnic, play and ride the  
steam train. Call 1300 656 169 to secure  
your 1 hour steam train family pass.  
BYO Picnic.

#### Activities include:

- Steam train and miniature train rides.
- NE Covered footpath must be worn on the miniature train ride.
- Symbio Wildlife Park
- Zoo2You - Meet animals and see how they live and how the Illawarra Credit Union's Wildlife Swell program helps protect our natural environment and encourages recycling.

- Be Inspired Creativity Party:** Come and be inspired by the creativity of the Illawarra region.
- Muscle Up a Broom:** Come and join on a mission to clean up the Illawarra region.
- Your Imagination and the Stories It Tells:** with Cindy Russell 11-13pm
- Cross Play Zone with Honora:** Help artist, Anna Larkin, create a tactile maze through the trees with yarn, objects, and fabrics
- UOW Motorsport's Racing Simulator:** Live performance by Grace Mae 10:30am and 12:30pm
- Roo Theatre Company** present excerpts from their upcoming musical 'Oliver' 11am and 1pm
- Sensory Play Experience** with Pearl Perumary from Housing Trust
- Make a healthy fruit kebabs** with our friends from Housing Trust
- Lantern making** - help Bertie make some big lanterns for our finale parade at Killalea State Park on Saturday

#### BREAKING NEWS:

If you are thinking of getting a personal or home loan, mention KidsFest and Illawarra Credit Union will donate a percentage of the loan balance to KidsFest Shellharbour for the life of the loan.

#### Free Kids DIY workshops

**11am**  
Bunnings Warehouse Shellharbour  
15 Shandon Circuit, Alton Park Rd  
Game makers workshops, free face painting and tattoos. Bookings required Ph: 4235 5000

## Monday 21 May

### Ready Set Go Kids Shellharbour

**9am-10am** (15 months to 6 yrs)  
Venus Community Centre, 69-73 Benauld Crescent, Venula  
Multi sports program for kids

#### Calderswood Valley Circus Capers

**9.30am-11.30am**  
Calderswood Valley Sprout Hub, Corner of  
Escarpment Drive and Beaulieu  
Circuit, Calderswood

Create a circus character, learn some skills, play in the circus zone & perform. This is a hands-on, interactive session for families that like to roll up their sleeves and have a go.

#### Park and Play

**9.30am-11.30am**  
Calderswood Valley Sprout Hub, Corner of Escarpment Drive and Beaulieu Circuit, Calderswood  
Fun, free play activities for parents, carers and children 0-5 years. Don't forget your sunscreen and hat!

#### Babies Love Books

**10am-10.30am** (0-18 months)  
Oak Flats Library, 61 Central Ave, Oak Flats

#### KidsFest Storytime

**11am-11.30am** (3-5 years)  
Oak Flats Library, 61 Central Ave, Oak Flats

#### Family screening of "Peter Rabbit"

**11am**  
City Library/Auditorium, College Ave, Shellharbour City

There'll be the movie, bean bags, popcorn and a drink. Bookings limited to 30. Call 4221 6222 to reserve your spot.

#### Parenting Workshop with Lisa Knill

**1pm-2.30pm**  
Shellharbour Civic Centre, Dining Room, College Ave, Shellharbour City

3 Steps to creating a loving, connected family that works with you, not against you. Bookings required, call 1300 656 169.

#### Boys Junior Boxing

**4pm-5pm** (6-12 years)  
Lake Illawarra PCYC, Reddall Parade, Lake Illawarra

Bookings for Fitness - gets kids active in a fun and interactive environment.

#### Jishikan

**6pm-7.30pm** (all ages)  
Lake Illawarra PCYC, Reddall Parade, Lake Illawarra

\*Free 12 month membership (for under 18s) and free access to activities during KidsFest

#### Come & Try Rhee Taekwondo - The Family Martial Art

**6pm - 6.30pm** (all ages)  
Shellharbour Public School Hall, Towns Street, Shellharbour

## Tuesday 22 May

### Ready Set Go Kids Shellharbour

**9am-10am** (18 months to 6 yrs)  
Flinders Child and Family Centre, 12 Adam Murray Way Flinders  
Multi sports program for kids

#### Park and Play

**9am-11am**  
Barrack Heights Public School, Hunter St, Barrack Heights  
Fun, free play activities for parents, carers and children 0-5 years. Don't forget your sunscreen and hat!

#### Helpful Friends' Emergency Services Expo

**10am-2pm**  
Illawarra Fire & Fire Services Control Centre  
37 Airport Drive, Alton Park Rd  
Meet emergency service workers from NSW Rural Fire Services, Fire Rescue NSW, NSW Police & NSW Ambulance. Kids will get to crawl through a smoke house, try the fire trucks powerful hoses, climb inside an ambulance, sit on a police motor bike and make their own Emergency Services helmet with burnings. Free sausage sizzle provided by Bunnings.

#### Dramatic Storytelling

**10am-11.30am**  
All Saints Preschool, 253 Tongara Rd Alton Park  
A retelling of 'The Hungry Caterpillar' with bubbles, craft and playdough activities

#### Babies Love Books

**10am-10.30am** (0-18 months)  
Alton Park Library, Russell St, Alton Park

#### KidsFest Storytime

**11am-11.30am** (3-5 years)  
Alton Park Library, Russell St, Alton Park

#### Haggie Moo Music Shellharbour

**11.30am-12noon**  
Flinders Child & Family Centre, 12 Adam Murray Way, Flinders



#### Barrack Heights Play Pod

**3pm-4.30pm** closed event for  
Barrack Heights Public School students and their families  
Barrack Heights Public School  
Fun Fruit Art You Can Eat  
circus activities, paint a pot & plant a seed

#### Parenting Workshop with Lisa Knill

**4pm-5pm**  
Shellharbour Civic Centre  
College Ave, Shellharbour City

3 Keys to developing happy resilient kids (workshop for parents but kids can attend). Bookings required, call 1300 656 169.

#### Girls Junior Boxing

**4pm-5pm** (6-12 years)  
Lake Illawarra PCYC, Reddall Parade, Lake Illawarra

Bookings for Fitness - gets kids active in a fun and interactive environment.

#### Come and Try Rhee Taekwondo - The Family Martial Art

**5.30pm-6pm** (all ages)  
Canterbury Hall, Gungah Road, Alton Park

\*Free 12 month membership (for under 18s) and free access to activities during KidsFest

#### Toe Kwon Do

**6.30pm-7.30pm** (6-12 years)  
Lake Illawarra PCYC, Reddall Parade, Lake Illawarra

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