

In Learning We Grow

IMPORTANT DATES!



Week 5		PP-YR 3 Swimming
Tues	7 Nov	YR 4 Zero 2 Hero
Wed	8 Nov	Student Council Nominations due Staff Mtg 3.15pm
Thurs	9 Nov	No Assembly Uniform Shop 8.15am-9.15am
Fri	10 Nov	YR 5 Stitch In Time Workshop YR 6 Stitch in Time Workshop
Week 6		PP-YR 3 Swimming
Mon	13 Nov	Student Council Speeches
Tues	14 Nov	Student Council Speeches YR 4 Zero 2 Hero

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Greetings to students, parents, staff and community members and welcome to this edition of the newsletter. It has been another busy fortnight at Forest Crescent with lots of teaching and learning coming to a conclusion as we start to transition all students to their new year level for 2024. I have been proud of the students behaviour throughout this term, with Behaviour Management Pink Slips and entries in the classroom behaviour books being kept to a minimum. I look forward to the positive behaviour continuing for the remainder of the term.

PEAC Testing: Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) is a part time supplementary program for students in Years 5 and 6. Students are identified as suited to participation in the PEAC Program through testing in Year 4. All public school students in Year 4 are provided with the opportunity to be assessed for suitability for the PEAC program. Parents may request that their child be excluded from the testing process by notifying the school in writing. The Gifted and Talented Selection Unit in Central Office is responsible for coordinating the state-wide test schedule, compiling and distributing test materials and disseminating student results through Regional Offices. Regional Assessment Coordinators manage and coordinate test material distribution, collation, record-keeping and the return of answer sheets for marking on behalf of schools. The tests were

developed in 2016 by the Australian Council for Education Research (ACER). The marking, scoring and data management for 2023 was completed by Pearson Australia. Test administration is conducted by school staff and this year demonstrated once again the high standards of teachers undertaking an important role in this state-wide assessment Regions are responsible for managing the pool of students identified as suitable to PEAC through the test process, with each selected student meeting defined criteria.

A total of 23,628 (of 25,880) students participated in the 2023 PEAC assessment between the 31 July and 30 August 2010. 2 students from Forest Crescent were successful in gaining offers for PEAC in Year 5 2024! Congratulations to Eli C, and Ashton S. There were also 19 students who scored above the 80th percentile. One of our focus areas to be planned for in 2024 is to continue to provide more opportunities for our Gifted and Talented students!

School Board: All parents were emailed a nomination letter for our School Board 2024 – 25 as an attachment to previous newsletters. There were 2 nominations received and therefore no election is necessary. I would like to congratulate and thank Aaron Hayes and Jack Wilmot on their successful appointment to the board, joining Peter Massey and Kelly Ibbitson as your parent representatives for 2024/25. There is still one vacant position that the board will look to fill before the first meeting in Week 4 Term 1.

Fathering Project: Forest Crescent Dads group is calling on all Father figures to come and join with their kids in The Dads and Kids Great Camp Out on Friday 24 November at Forest Crescent Primary School. Our Term 4 Fathering Project is a camp out, so come and join us for pizza, camp out and breakfast from 5.30pm Friday 24 November until 9.00am Saturday 25 November. Please register by emailing Jeff at fcpsthefatheringproject@gmail.com or contact the school on 92323550. You must be registered by Friday 17 November to attend this event. We would love to see fathers and father figures attending with their kids to celebrate the end of a great year. Thank you to Jeff Albert for coordinating the Fathering Project and the Great Camp Out!



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Class lists: Staff have commenced developing class lists for 2024. As the school structure is still in draft, and will be right up until the start of 2024, class placements will not be advertised until the office reopens towards the end of January. I have received some parent requests that will be taken into consideration, when placing students in classes, based on educational grounds. As per previous years, classes will be formulated according to the following:

- mixed ability classes - spread of IEP / SAER students;
- behaviour management - class dynamics;
- gender balance where possible;
- friendship groups - try for at least 3 peer friends.

Anticipated Classes for 2024

Classes	Numbers	Classes	Numbers
4 x kindergarten	4 x 20 (80 - kindy) – currently 78	4 x Yr 3	2 x 23 2 x 22 (90 Yr 3)
4 x P	2 x 22 2 x 21 (86 PP)	3 x Yr 4	3 x 30 (90 Yr 4)
3 x Yr 1	2 x 20, 1 x 21 (61 Yr 1)	3 x Yr 5	3 x 30 (90 Yr 5)
4 x Yr 2	3 x 20 1x 21 (81 Yr 2)	3 X Yr 6	3 x 28 (84 Yr 6)

Total Classes P – 6 - 24

Total Numbers - 661

As presented to both the School Board and P&C meetings in the past week, we will be trying to ensure that all year levels are straight classes as per the school structure above, however should our numbers alter there is still the possibility that split classes may need to be formed.

Pre Kindergarten Session: Our Pre-Kindergarten program for 2023 is now running for our 2024 Kindy students. Our Pre-kindy program provides an opportunity for families to get used to our school, and also for us to familiarise ourselves with students and their families prior to the commencement of the new school year. A big thank you to all the parents who came along, it was an enjoyable morning with mat time, some fun activities and a story to finish. Thank you to Mrs Whitney and Mrs Tania James who is coordinating our Pre-Kindy program.

Interschool Athletics: Good luck to all of our students who will be competing today, representing our school. I am sure that all of our students will compete to their best and display outstanding sportsmanship. Thank you to Mrs Horan, Miss Sandhu and Mrs Sellick and for preparing our students to perform.

Presentation Evening: This year our Presentation evening will have some minor changes. The Presentation evening will be held on Wednesday 6 December. This is our major whole school event which signals a conclusion to our year of school and provides our school community with an opportunity to celebrate each year's success, and farewell our Year 6 students.

For 2023 we will be trialling Year Level performances only, with no speeches or Book Awards. A Book Award Assembly will be held on Friday 8 December in the undercover area from 2pm – 3pm. This is to reduce the length of the evening to allow all students to stay for the evening without the necessity for an intermission. Current planning has the evening commencing at 6pm, with students being seated from 5.45pm with the evening to conclude no later than 8pm. Year level items will also be moved around however the evening will conclude with our Year 6 students and the whole school song. All students are expected to stay for the duration of the evening. We look forward to your support as we trial this format for 2023.

Year 6 Camp: Last week I spent a couple of days (and nights!) with the Year 6 students and staff at their camp at Woodman Point. The camp experience was been very positive with the students participating in a variety of challenging and team building activities. To take 82 students away for a week is a huge undertaking and I would like to sincerely thank the staff and parent helpers for their willingness to attend camp and provide the Year 6 students with an invaluable experience outside of the normal school setting. Thank you to the following staff of Miss Sandhu, Mrs Davies, Mrs Brown, Miss Doran, Mrs Bransby, Mrs Rowe, Mrs Craven, Mrs Hudson, Mrs Kinsella and Mr Combes. I would like to make special mention of Luke Watkinson and Paul O'Halloran as parent helpers who appeared to have more fun than the kids!

Year 6 Graduation: This celebration will take place on Monday 11th December. The Year 6 graduation consists of two parts. The formal ceremony will take place in front of the undercover area. The ceremony will start at 5:20pm and will conclude at 6:50pm. We ask that your child arrive by 5:10pm for a punctual start. All graduating students are to be dressed in smart attire in the theme of black and white. Parents are invited to attend the ceremony to see the awards presentation, graduation proceedings and short presentation from the Year 6 students. The second part of the evening for the students is a Dinner Dance at Gosnells Golf Club. Students will travel there by bus and parents are to pick them up from the golf club at 9:30pm. We ask that all parents are punctual at this time. I look forward to sharing the last formal school event with a wonderful group of students who have represented our school over a number of years. A permission note will be sent home next week.

Semester Two Reports: Parents will be provided with a link on Connect to access their child's report on Friday 8 December. This report is based on the work your child has covered throughout the year. It shows their final achievement of the expected standard for each year level. Since the Western Australian Curriculum aims to challenge students, a **C** or **Satisfactory Achievement** rating (achievement of the standard) is one to celebrate! Teachers also provide comments for English and Mathematics and it is important to read these in the context of their achievement level. Please take time to read through the report with your child and discuss points for celebration as well as any points for improvement in 2024. If you have any concerns, please follow up with your child's classroom teacher before the conclusion of the term.

I look forward to catching up with you over the next fortnight!

WELL DONE!

Matilda Jones, from Room 12, has been growing her hair for a couple of years to donate. On Friday 20th October, she had it cut for Telethon and raised \$3266 as well. Telethon raise funds to support the health and wellbeing of sick, vulnerable and disadvantaged children. She was invited into the Convention Centre where Telethon was being held and met with some of the stars of Telethon this year. Amazing effort Matilda!



Senior Award Winners 26 October

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| Musa B | Kody B | Jackson C | Elena D |
| Ezekiel F | James F | Caitlyn F | Connor G |
| RJ I | Emmanuel J | Manveer K | Varonkia K |
| Jake L | Chelsea L | Tannayah M | Mason M |
| Titan O | Katelyn O | Lexie P | Ozman R |
| Hudson R | Levi R | Asher S | Sebastian W |
| Lydia Z | | | |



Dads, bring your kids and join in for...

Dads and Kids Camp Out

We want you to come along to our camp out!

Dear,

Our Fathering Project event for term 4 is a camp out at Forest Crescent Primary School.

Dads and Kids come join us for pizzas, camp out and breakfast. We finish up at 9:00am on Saturday.

So pack your tent or swag, BYO snacks and drinks and join us at the school.



Who:

Dads, Father-figures & Carers

When:

FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2023
5:30PM

RSVP:

Email Jeff at fcpsthefatheringproject@gmail.com
Scan the QR code
or contact the school on 9232 3550 to register

You must be registered to attend this camp out by Friday 17th November 2023.



Let's Talk Teens

South East Metro Parenting Support Service

For Parents and Carers of teens 12-18 years

1-session

Workshop Overview

This single session workshop supports parents to navigate the tricky teenage years.

- Gain more understanding about your teen's world and the changing role of parents.
- Explore the science of teenage development and how to effectively communicate in a way that builds connection and respect.
- Learn strategies that support teens to develop their identity and the skills needed to successfully transition into adulthood.



DATES

Thursday
16 November 2023



TIME

9.30am - 12.00pm



LOCATION

Riverton Library
67 Riley Road
Riverton



COST

Free



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Not available.

BOOKING DETAILS

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Transition to High School

South East Metro Parenting Support Services

For Parents and carers of pre-teens/early teens

1-session program

Workshop Overview

Moving from primary school to high school is a significant event in a child's life. It often involves new classmates, changing friendships, multiple classes with different teachers, self-directed learning and an increased workload including homework.

Children are often also experiencing the changes and challenges related to going through puberty at the same time.

This workshop explores the world of an emerging teen and how parents can support them to build confidence, new skills and resilience in this next stage of their life.



DATES

Monday

6 November 2023



TIME

6.30pm - 8.00pm



LOCATION

The Castle Youth Centre
21 Discovery Drive
Thornlie



COST

Free



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Unavailable

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DON'T FORGET YOUR WATER BOTTLES!

Children are allowed to fill their water bottles from the drink fountains so please remember your water bottle.



Uniforms can be purchased from the Uniform Shop, you can download the Flexischools app or put in an order on the paper order form and drop to the office door or visit the uniform shop. Orders on Flexischools must be placed by Wednesday's 5pm to receive the order on Thursday's.