

In Learning We Grow

IMPORTANT DATES!



Tues	23 Apr	Kindy Health Screening Stop Work Mtg 8.30am-12.30pm
Wed	24 Apr	ANZAC Assembly 2pm Kindy Health Screening
Thurs	25 Apr	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Fri	26 Apr	Kindy Health Screening
Mon	29 Apr	Kindy Health Screening
Tues	30 Apr	Kindy Health Screening
Wed	1 May	P&C Mtg 7pm
Thurs	2 May	Uniform Shop 8.15am-9.15am Junior Assembly RM 7

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Greetings to staff, students, parents and community members, welcome to the first edition of the Forest Crescent Primary School Newsletter for Term 2. As usual, it promises to be another busy term filled with exciting teaching and learning opportunities. Please keep the Term 2 Planner handy to see upcoming events as well as add any future activities. I look forward to seeing the students work hard and do their best this term.

STOP WORK MEETING – Tuesday 23 April: As you may be aware, the Department of Education is negotiating with the State School Teachers' Union (SSTUWA) and Principals' Federation of Western Australia to reach an industrial agreement. While these negotiations are still ongoing, the SSTUWA has announced industrial action for half a day on the morning of Tuesday 23 April 2024. This industrial action may see teachers stop work, meaning some will not be teaching at the direction of the union. At Forest Crescent Primary the stop-work action will occur for the first few hours of the morning and teachers will be back in classrooms ready to teach by 12.30pm. I want to reassure you that despite this action, our school will remain open. However, there may be some disruption to normal teaching and learning programs. We will arrange to provide supervision and modified activities. Regular teaching and learning will recommence as soon as the stop-work action concludes. The Department of Education has assured me that they are working as hard, and as fast

as they can to reach a resolution with the union. Every effort is being made to minimise future impact on all schools.

Camp Australia will also operate as normal before and after school to provide onsite care, however parents should cancel their bookings for the Tuesday sessions by 6pm Sunday if you have made alternative arrangements. Cancellation fees will be waived by Camp Australia for any of our families.

ANZAC COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE: The ANZAC Remembrance Service will be held on Wednesday, 24 April commencing at 2.00 pm. ANZAC Day falls the following day on Thursday 25 April with the public holiday on. It is important that we recognise and honour those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we can live as we do today in the Forest Crescent school community. Students or parents who are currently serving will be able to wear their uniform ie. cubs and scouts during the service. Parents and community members are most welcome to attend. Thank you to Miss Sandhu for coordinating this important service. Our special guest will be Mr Ian Johnstone and his wife from the Gosnells RSL.

ASTHMA: With colder weather about to commence and an increase in physical activity due to Phys Ed classes and Cross Country training, it is vital that all students who are prone to asthma carry their Ventolin and spacer with them. Students are encouraged to have Ventolin prior to physical activity, especially if this is first thing in the morning. Please contact the front office should we need to update your child's asthma plan.

SCHOOL UNIFORM: With the onset of cooler morning temperatures, a few students are wearing clothes to school that may not conform to our School Dress Code, especially puffy or rain jackets when it gets colder. A school's dress code can play an important role in promoting a positive image of the school and creating a sense of identity. There are many reasons to introduce a code of dress for students (eg student safety can be improved because they can be identified more readily and generally, the cost of uniform items is less than alternative clothing) however, it is up to individual School Boards to determine what is appropriate for that school's circumstances.



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POD *It's your move...*



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Forest Crescent has a proud reputation when it comes to the wearing of school uniform and our School Board acknowledges the importance of having a School Dress Code. The code makes clear the intent of the School Board that students attending Forest Crescent Primary School wear the correct school uniform for reasons of student health and safety. As puffy or rain jackets will be removed when a child is inside the classroom, there is no formal outline for the style or type. The main purpose of a jacket is to keep the children warm when they are outdoors. Children are not to wear jackets however, in place of the school uniform jumper whilst at school. Students can wear their jackets at recess and lunchtime, but should remove them once in class.

LOST PROPERTY: As we move into the winter months, I would like to remind parents to ensure that your child's clothes are clearly labelled with their name, especially jumpers and hats. At this time of the year, our lost property bin begins to bulge at the seams, mostly jumpers with no names.

BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS: It has been great to see the number of students riding bicycles and scooters to school. Parents are reminded that all students who ride to school must have the appropriate safety gear, a helmet as required by law. Also please ensure that a lock is provided to secure either the scooter or bicycle, as even though we have a locked enclosure, thefts of bicycles have occurred previously. Don't forget also that Wheel or Walk Fridays have recommenced and students need to bring their tickets to be stamped each Friday by Mr Holmes and his wheel or walker helpers. Miss Sandhu has organised a Bike Safety course for Year 3 students later on this term.

KINDERGARTEN 2025: Kindergarten enrolments are now being taken for 2025. If you have a child who was born between 1 July 2020 - 30 June 2021 they are eligible to commence Kindy in 2025.

Enrolment application forms can be found on our website (<https://forestcrescentps.com/school-information/enrolment-details/>) or you can call through the office to collect.

To commence your application we will need to see the following documents:

- Original Birth Certificate,
- Immunisation History Statement – no more than 2 months old with a status of 'up to date' (from MYGOV website)
- Proof of residence (electricity bill, rates notes, rental agreement)

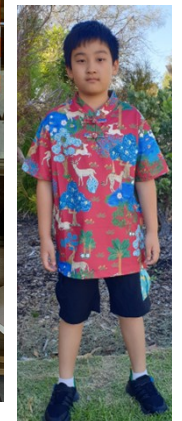
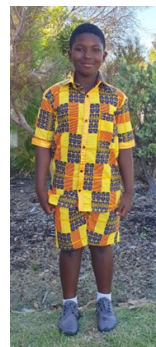
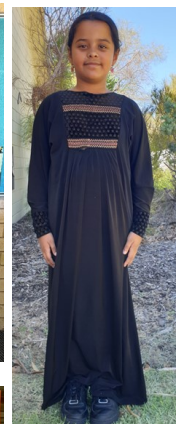
Please note if you are on a visa we will also need to see this and your passport as part of your application. Kindergarten Enrolment being non-compulsory does not follow the local intake policy, ie all local students are guaranteed a place, however all students who live within a local school intake area will be accommodated where possible. Should enrolments exceed available placements then the following criteria will apply:

Basically, the ranking is as follows:

1. Students living within the local school intake area with siblings at the school
2. Students living within the local school intake area without siblings at the school
3. Students living outside the local school intake area with siblings at the school
4. Students living outside the local school intake area without siblings at the school

Only applications received before the closing date will be considered as above. **Applications close on Friday 19 July 2024.**

I look forward to catching up with you throughout Term 2.



FOREST CRESCENT PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C

Mother's Day Stall

We are excited to be holding our Annual Mother's Day Stall. Pre pay your gifts to allow your child to select a gift from our stall for their Mums, Grandmothers and other loved ones in their lives.

Gifts are \$9 each
You may order multiple gifts.
To order gifts visit www.flexischools.com.au or use flexischools app - events section.

STALL DATE: Tuesday 7th May 2024
*Kindy B will be held on the 9th May 2024

ORDERS DUE BY: Wednesday 1st May 2024 - 6pm

ORDER VIA FLEXISCHOOL ONLY
Sorry, no late orders will be accepted

🌟 Volunteer stall helpers needed from 8.45 am Tuesday 7th May 🌟

Forest Crescent P&C invites you to celebrate

MOTHER'S DAY SWEET TREATS

FRIDAY 10TH MAY 3PM TO 4PM

In the undercover area & lawn
BYO blanket or chairs

Pre-order some treats & drinks for you and the kids to enjoy together.

Orders will be delivered to child's classroom. No over the counter sales will be available this year

Pre-orders only through Flexischools by 3rd May

Raffle will be drawn at the event

Find us on Facebook: Forest Crescent P&C and the private group 'Families of FCPS'

CITY OF GOSNELLS

TERM 2 | 2024 Families Programs

Term starts Monday 22 April

Tumble Tots

Tumble Tots classes are loads of fun, with varied activities to assist the growth and development of young minds and bodies.

Skills developed:

- Singing, dancing and climbing
- Strength, coordination and agility
- Build confidence and social skills

(1 - 2 years)
Mondays
9.15am - 10.15am
10.30am - 11.30am
Wednesdays
9.15am - 10.15am

(2 - 4 years)
Tuesdays
9.15am - 10.15am
10.30am - 11.30am
Thursdays
9.15am - 10.15am

\$73.50 per child per term

Bookings are essential
Richard Rushton Community Centre
24 Baron Way, Gosnells

Creative Kids

Skills developed:

- Build confidence and social skills
- Learn how to use a range of craft tools such as scissors and paintbrushes
- Promotes creativity

Suitable for children aged 2 - 4 years
Babies in strollers can attend for free

Tuesdays (2 - 4 years)
9.30am - 10.30am

Creative Kids is a fun program for parents and their children to be creative with themed craft activities each week.

\$36.75 per child per term

Bookings are essential
Huntingdale Community Centre
Lot 1645 Holmes Street, Huntingdale

older Creative Kids

Skills developed:

- Build confidence and social skills
- Independence using craft tools such as scissors, glue and paint
- Promotes creativity

Suitable for children aged 5 - 8 years
Babies in strollers can attend for free

Thursdays (5 - 8 years)
3.30pm - 4.30pm

Creative Kids is a fun program for parents and their children to be creative with themed craft activities each week.

\$36.75 per child per term

Bookings are essential
Huntingdale Community Centre
Lot 1645 Holmes Street, Huntingdale

Acknowledgement to Country

Nidja Boodjar (Here is the earth),
Nidja Worl (Here is the sky),
Nidja Ngany Koorda (Here are my friends),
Nidja Ngany (Here am I).

We thank the Whadjuk people for the lands on which we learn and play,
Maara (Hands) up, **Maara** (Hands) down,
we are on Whadjuk ground!

There will be no classes on Thursday 25 April 2024 and Monday 3 June 2024 due to the Anzac Day and WA Day public holidays.