

Forest Crescent News

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In Learning We Grow



Week 2		YR 4-6 Swimming	
Thurs	25 July	Junior Assembly RM 4 Uniform Shop 8.15am-9.15am	
Fri	26 July	Festival of Perth Workshops YR 5 U/C Area	
Mon	29 July	YR 6 Parliament House Excursion Stitch in Time YR 1-4	
Tues	30 July	Stitch in Time YR 1-4 Zero2Hero YR 5/6 Staff Mtg 3.15pm	
Wed	31 July	Festival of Perth Workshops YR 5 Stitch in Time YR 1-4 P&C Mtg 7pm	
Thurs	1 Aug	Senior Assembly RM 21 Uniform Shop 8.15am-9.15am	
Fri	2 Aug	Festival of Perth Workshops YR 5	

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Greetings to staff, students, parents and community members, welcome to the first edition of the newsletter for Semester 2. I trust that you had a relaxing break and are ready for a busy and activity packed Term 3! I would like to thank the admin and front office team who have worked over the last week of Term 2 and the beginning of Term 3 during my absence to ensure a smooth commencement to term. I suffered a fractured shoulder in the last week of term that resulted in some time off. During my absence I missed the final Edu Dance Concert, the Winter Cup and Forest Crescent's Got Talent which all went sensationally well! I look forward to being fully back to work next Tuesday.

STAFFING TERM 3: Due to staff leave requirements there are some staff changes occurring throughout the term. In all circumstances either the classroom teacher or Year Level Deputy will communicate any major changes. Mrs James has had surgery to assist her recovery with a broken ankle and will be away for the first couple of weeks of term. Ms Kaushik and Mrs Cann will be relieving in Kindy A. Mr Miller will be on leave for the remainder of the year and Mr Batskos will be taking Junior Phys Ed for the remainder of the year. Miss Doran will be away for the term and Mrs Bransby and Mrs Cunningham will be

teaching Room 18. Miss Slater will be away from Week 4 and Ms Van Gramberg and Mrs Pirouet will be teaching in Room 10. Ms Bannister will be absent from Week 3 – Week 8 with Ms Fortnum teaching in Room 19. Mr Nicholas is on Long Service Leave for the first 5 weeks and Miss Hegney and Miss Bee are working across Rooms 15 and 16. Ms Del Rosario had Week 1 on leave and will again commence in Room 14 as the main teacher working with Mr Mason who continues on a graduated return to work program. Staffing a large school is a complex process and we are very fortunate to have a large pool of highly qualified teachers who want to work at Forest Crescent and are prepared to take on these long term roles to ensure the consistency and quality of the teaching and learning program. I would like to sincerely thank them! I would also like to acknowledge Mr Combes who's Deputy portfolio is to cover relief and ensure that all classes are covered and when you then combine planned leave with COVID and the flu that is going around is a huge task to ensure this happens on a daily basis.

RETIREMENT: While on staffing changes, Mrs Hudson has had a discussion with me over the holidays with regards to her retirement. Due to medical advice and an issue with her hand, Mrs Hudson has been advised to not continue to work as an Education Assistant Special Needs. This came as a huge shock and not something that I had planned for, but completely understand and support Lottie in her decision (which wasn't easy!) Lottie has been an Education Assistant at Forest Crescent for 32 years - a remarkable career. During my time as Principal, she has been the lead Education Assistant with responsibility to ensure our special needs students, especially our neuro diverse students and their families received the highest support to ensure their success at school. The most recent project Lottie implemented was the development of a sensory room, which is operational and used daily by a number of students. Lottie's retirement has left a huge knowledge gap in our school and when Ms Spencer returns from LSL in Week 4 we will look at how we can continue to implement many of the whole school plans that Lottie over saw. We will also look at how we can say goodbye to Lottie during the term and wish her all the best in retirement.





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NAPLAN: NAPLAN individual student reports arrived during the week. NAPLAN is a national literacy and numeracy assessment undertaken by students in Year 3,5,7 and 9. It is the only national assessment that all Australian children take. NAPLAN testing completed in Weeks 8 & 9 of Term 1. NAPLAN tests are only one aspect of our school's assessment and reporting processes and along with other school assessments and reports NAPLAN individual student reports can be used to discuss your child's progress with the teacher. All reports will be sent home early next week to our Year 3 & 5 students together with an Information for Parents and Caregivers flver. Should you wish to discuss your child's NAPLAN report, please don't hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher. I would like to congratulate all of our students for doing their best during the NAPLAN testing period. Further detailed analysis of our whole school performance against Australian and Like Schools performance will be provided to the School Board and school community towards the end of the term.

FOREST CRESCENT'S GOT TALENT: Congratulations to Ms Britten and our Grand Finalists for an amazing junior, middle and senior Forest Crescent's Got Talent concert at the end of Term 2. It was truly an uplifting experience to see the acts from Year 1-6 perform in front of a huge audience. The Deputy Principals tell me that they were so impressed with the variety of performances from solos, dance, singing, comedians and, musicians. Together with Edu Dance it demonstrates the amazing Arts Curriculum at Forest Crescent! A big thankyou also to Ms Auld, Mrs Sellick, Miss Doran, Ms Fortnum and the Student Councillors for assisting with the lunchtime auditions and judging. I would also like to congratulate all of the students who auditioned throughout Term 2 or made the semi-finals. I continue to be amazed at the extraordinary talents of our students and staff!

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY (NCCD):

All schools in Australia, including Independent and Catholic schools, will participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability every year. The data will be collected from the Semester 2 Census which will be completed on Friday 2 August. The Data Collection is an annual count of the number of students with disability receiving educational adjustments to support their participation in education on the same basis as students without disability. All education agencies are now required under the Australian Education Regulation 2013, to provide information on a students' level of education, disability and level of adjustment to the Australian Government Department of Education. Data will continue to be de-identified prior to its transfer and no student's identity will be provided to the Australian Government, Department of Education. The collection of this information from states and territories will inform future policy and program planning in relation to students with disability. NCCD information will be collected via the August Student Census. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 3550 or email ForestCrescent.PS@education.wa.edu.au Further information can be found on the NCCD portal www.nccd.edu.au

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2025: Enrolments for 2025 closed today Friday 19 July. We currently have 56 students enrolled, which is lower than this time last year. We can take up to 80 kindy students so we will be looking at accepting all applications until we reach the required number. Letters of acceptance will be mailed out to all applicants shortly, which are due back to the office by Friday 30 August.

TERM PLANNER: An updated Term Planner has emailed home with this newsletter. The Term Planner is also available on the app and all dates are on the website calendar. Please keep it handy so that you are aware of any changes to our advertised schedule.

LOST PROPERTY: Are you missing some clothes? Please come and check the lost property as we have 2 overflowing bins of uniforms. Uniforms are costly and during winter our bins are constantly full. Please ensure that your child's name is written prominently on the name tag and Student Councillors will endeavour to return labelled items to their rightful owner!



YR 4-6 SWIMMING: Don't forget swimming continues for Week 2 for our Year 4 –6 students.

I know that Term 3 is going to be very busy with the teaching and learning program. I look forward to catching up with many of you over the course of the term.



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Aizad A	Jake B	Sebastian B	Tyson C
Preston C	Ezekiel G	Mauli G	Phoebe H
Sadika Khan I	Sehajdeep K	Georgia K	Meena R
Arijana R	Anhad Singh S	Amelia S	Mikayla S
Kabir S	Marco S	Adrian S	Archer V
Sheridan W			



Zoe A	Shelby A	Kaden B	Kody B
Sarah B	Milani C	Erika E	Andrew G
Veronica G	Tanish G	Iggy H	Man Lok H
Milana J	Paras K	Manveer K	Davlatbek K
Olly L	Viana L	Mia M	Caelan M
William N	Dian Ermelia N	Abuk P	Asher P
Mia P	Pritisha R	Harley T	Connor T
Ben W	Zihang Y		

August

Raising Children in a Digital World Thursdays 8 August 2024 9.30am - 12.00pm

Communicare 28 Cecil Avenue Cannington

> parenting@communicare.org.au https://www.trybooking.com/CSCLB

Let's Talk Teens

Wednesdays 21 & 28 August 2024 6.00pm - 8.00pm

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Keeping Kids in Mind

Thursdays 15 August - 12 September 2024 9.30am - 11.30am

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Mindfulness and Self-care Thursday 22 August 2024 11.30am - 2.00pm

Brookman Child and Parent Centre 26 Brookman Avenue

Langford

cpcbrookman@parkerville.org.au



To be able to support our Aussie Olympians in Paris, we are joining the Green & Gold Day on Friday 2 August, kids are welcome to wear Aussie clothing and there is NO gold coin donation.



