

# **Forest Crescent News**

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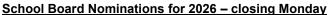
### **In Learning We Grow**

## IMPORTANT DATES!

Mon	24 Nov	TSHS SAER Transition
Wed	26 Nov	TSHS Transition Day P&C Mtg 6.15pm Dinner
Thurs	27 Nov	Junior Assembly RM 2 Uniform Shop 8.15am-9.15am
Fri	28 Nov	Walking Bus Foodbank Donations
Tues	2 Dec	YR 4 Zoo
Wed	3 Dec	School Board 7pm
Thurs	4 Dec	Whole School Assembly—Leftover merits & Aussie of the Month Voucher awards Staff Mtg 3.15pm
Fri	5 Dec	Kids4Kids Fair Day

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents,



It's not too late to nominate for a position on the Forest Crescent Primary School Board. There are both parent and staff positions available.

Our Board is an engaged and effective governing body, helping to ensure our continued focus is on creating the conditions for student success through its involvement in strategic planning. The Board is currently reflecting on the school improvement targets outlined in our Business Plan 2023–2025. Next year, as we begin developing our new Business Plan 2027–2029, the insights and perspectives of our Board will play an important role in shaping our direction. If you are interested in contributing to the governance of our school, I encourage you to consider nominating for a two-year term on the Board.

#### 2026 Classes

The submission period for class placement requests is now closed. Staff are now assigning students to classes. Considerable thought, planning, and time goes into this process. Classes are formed in such a way as to meet the educational needs of the students within the constraints of Department policy, industrial agreements and the resources provided. Our goal is always to ensure that every child learns in an environment that is happy, supportive, and productive.

Experience indicates that there is no difference in academic or social outcomes if a child is in a split (composite) or straight class. Teachers are

required to, and are experienced in, differentiating the curriculum for all their students, based on ability and stage of development rather than chronological age.

The following considerations inform the formation of classes, both composite and straight:

- Classes are homogenous, as far as practical, with respect to academic performance, social development, emotional maturity, behaviour and independence.
- Social networks
- 'Special Requests', such as twins/siblings, custody issues or the like
- School Psychologist recommendations
- Written parent/caregiver submissions regarding a student's educational needs.

Kindergarten parents will be advised of their child's group on Wednesday 24 November.

PP to Year 6 classes will be posted in the undercover area from midday on Thursday 29 January, 2026.

#### **Buddy Bench**

We have once again been fortunate to have Bill and Wendy Jensen, from YouthCare, volunteering their time to work with students on a woodwork project. This year, an enthusiastic group of Year 5 students have worked diligently over many months on a buddy bench for our playground. The girls apparently came to the project with some existing carpentry skills. Mr Jensen also praised the group for the confidence with which they approached the task and thanked former student, Titan O, for his contribution.



Caption: Mia M, Scarlett J, Autumn G with the freshly painted bench.





#### Reporting to Parents

As communicated through the Newsletter in September, our written reports this semester, will provide:

- Learning area grades
- Indication of effort in each learning area
- General teacher comment

\*For students with special educational needs, the report aligns to the Individual Education Plan (IEP).

We will continue to ensure that comments clearly communicate student progress and achievement, using language that is easy to understand and helpful for parent–teacher conversations throughout the year.

We will also seek feedback from the Board and wider school community on our written reports at an appropriate time.

#### **Students Not Returning in 2026**

Thank you to those families who have advised us they will not be returning to Forest Crescent PS next year. If your child/ren will not be returning in 2026 please notify the school office as soon as possible to assist with our planning. Please email <u>forestcrescent.ps@education.wa.edu.au</u>, call 9232 3550 or drop into the office.

Regards

Louise Armstrong Principal

#### Wed 07 Jan

#### Experience Takeover: Galactic Masterpieces

Turn stars into swirls and screens into canvases! Use Van Gogh's Starry Night as your guide and bring your own galaxy to life with digital art tools in this blend of classic and modern creativity.

Full Fee \$116.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.68



#### **Project: Wacky Creations**

Spin, shape, and sculpt your own clay masterpiece using a real pottery wheel! From wobbly monsters to magical mugs - create, decorate, and take home your one-of-a-kind artwork and wheel!

Full Fee \$119.84 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.98



#### Operation: Come on down!

Spin, guess, play and cheer in a day inspired by everyone's favourite game shows - surprises, laughs and friendly competition await!

Full Fee \$88.25 | After Max. CCS\* \$8.83





## FUN AWAITS! YOUR SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Forest Crescent Primary School

Address: 83 Forest Crescent THORNLIE WA 6108

Phone: 0422 578 313 Program Times: 06:45 am - 06:00 pm



#### Fri 19 Dec

#### Project: Summer of Fun

Launch into summer fun! Work together to build and decorate a vibrant adventure shack for your Base Camp, make shrink keyrings, and blend frosty fruit smoothies in your colour-changing cup to take home. The holidays start here!

Full Fee \$117.69 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.77



#### Tue 23 Dec

#### **Project: Gift Factory**

Create a vibrant tie-dye beach bag, mix up a delicious gingerbread cookie jar with a custom cookie cutter, and turn the Summer Shack into a festive gift shop to celebrate the season in style!

Full Fee \$119.14 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.91



#### Tue

#### Special Event: Arena All-Stars by Proactivity

Dash, dodge and dive into a day of fast-paced arena fun featuring an Inflatable Maze, Fitness Obstacle Course, Dodgeball Xtreme and Game Cube Inflation in a day full of fast-paced arena fun!

Full Fee \$151.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$15.18



#### Thu 08 Jan

#### Operation: Coastal Crusaders

Dive into a day of ocean discovery! From sparkling reefs to seaside treasures, today is all about exploring the mysteries of the coast and the wonders hiding just beneath the waves.

Full Fee \$88.25 | After Max. CCS\* \$8.83



#### Mon 12 Jan

#### Big Art Day: My Window

What do you see outside your window - now or in a faraway world? Create a magical shadow box scene inspired by Jeannie Baker's Window, where anything you imagine can come to life!

Full Fee \$117.74 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.77



#### Mon 22 Dec

#### Operation: Holiday Hijinks

It's time for sunshine, silliness, and festive fun! Dive into a day of holiday cheer filled with games, giggles, and joyful surprises that'll make your summer sparkle.

Full Fee \$88.25 | After Max. CCS\* \$8.83



#### Mon 05 Jan

#### Operation: Backyard Blitz

It's game time! Head outside and take on a day of classic Aussie backyard fun—think cricket, tug-of-war, and loads of laughs. Let's bring the backyard to life!

Full Fee \$88.25 | After Max. CCS\* \$8.83



