Forest Focus

Term 3 Week 4, 7 August 2014

Principal’s Message

Coming events
Tuesday 12 August ICAS Maths competition – school time
School Tour – 9.30am
Leap into Literature talk for K-2 parents in the Library with Mrs Davidson and Mrs Peters 2.30pm
Wednesday 13 August Primary Proms Choir Rehearsal – 7.45am
Thursday 14 August SRC Jump Rope – gold coin donation
Sunday 17 August Solo Showcase – Training and Performance Bands
Monday 18 August Book Week
Wednesday 20 August Kindylinks Assembly - 9.30am
Thursday 21 August Book Character Dress Up – gold coin donation
Sunday 24 August Solo Showcase – Concert Band

Respectful Responsible Learner

The focus for this term is:

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<th>Politely greet and respond to all</th>
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Assembly Award Winners

Term 3 Week 3

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<td>Jae H, Byron A, Jade A</td>
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<td>Mark P</td>
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SILVER AWARD RECEPIENTS
Lachlan B, Eva B, Connor D, Andrew S, Tyra T

GOLD AWARD RECEPIENTS
Jordan D, Ollie Z, Ella M

Administration News

Term Accounts
Term 3 accounts were mailed home last week. Please contact the office if you have not received your account.

Linda Lyell Administrative Manager

School News

Bus Stop
Please be aware that parents cannot drop their children in the Sorlie Place bus zone during the hours of 8.45am – 9.30am and 2.45pm – 3.45pm on school days. Rangers are aware of this and are patrolling the parking zones around the school including Kiss and Drop.

Library Resource Centre News

This is a very busy term in the LRC. On Wednesday we had the delight of our author visit from Ursula Dubosarsky. The children were very excited and enjoyed this treat.

Book Fair
As promised, here are some more specific details regarding our Book Week Book Fair.

- Mon 18 August; we will set up the Fair and invite children to preview books class by class up to yr 4 with yrs 5 and 6 being able to browse at lunchtime.
- Tues 19 August open for sales; 8.30 am – 4.30 pm
- Wed 20 August open for sales; 8.30 am – 11.10 am.

Usborne Books
Margaret Simpson will again be with us selling Usborne Books. Please note that Margaret will not be able to accept credit card payments this year – cash or cheque only.

Carnival Book Fairs
Books from Carnival, a local supplier, can be purchased in a number of ways;
- cash,
- cheques made out to Carnival Fairs,
- credit card details filled out on wishlists that children bring home or on the sales days if attending in person,
- Online through the tab Parents Payments at the company’s website www.carnivalfairs.com.au Enter your name and the school’s name and are taken to a secure website to make a payment. You need to print the receipt or record the receipt number which is then presented by your child on the sales days to pay for the item(s).
The book fair is always very exciting and we have been very lucky in previous years to have had fantastic support from our community. I do look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and hope your children find something of interest. I’m sure I don’t need to add that every purchase earns a considerable commission for the library allowing us to keep our books up to date and fabulous!

**Book Character Dress up Day**
Don’t forget that the day after the Book Fair is Book Character dress up day. This will be a day of yet more fun and friendship for the children aligned to the wonderful world of books. The gold coin donations are going to a good cause, the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, so please do encourage your children to participate.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**
Many children have now logged on and started the online reading records, which is fantastic. We wonder how many gold certificates (three uninterrupted years completion) we will earn this year and do remember it’s a PB for everyone who finishes.

Claire Peters  Teacher Librarian

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**P & C News**

**President’s Report**
Can you believe we are almost half way through term 3! I cannot stress to you the importance of volunteers. In order for the canteen to run, for there to be a uniform shop on site and for the bands to operate the P&C need volunteers and we are experiencing a shortage at the moment (particularly in the canteen). If you have even 2 hours once a term that you can volunteer, please let us know at ffpspandc@gmail.com

**P&C Federation News** – The Minister for Education is in the process of rebuilding the P&C Federation and as part of this process elections will shortly be held for board members to the new Federation. If anyone is interested in finding out more about this, please let us know ffpspandc@gmail.com You do not have to hold a position on our P&C to be involved but you do need to be a financial member. We have a unique opportunity here to effect the direction of the P&C Federation and ensure that parents have a strong voice in the future of our children’s education.

Don’t forget to look at the calendar for upcoming events.

Current Vacancies: Band Convenor

Next P&C meeting – Monday 1 Sept, 7:30pm in the Staff Room.

Sandie Docker  P&C President
Be Involved = Make a Difference

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**Tea@Tina’s Reunion**
Spread the word to friends and family – the Tea@Tina’s Reunion is coming up on Friday 12 September 2014. All ex students and parents of Frenchs Forest Public School are invited to afternoon tea on the oval at 3pm.

FFPS Canteen Committee
Uniform Shop
Our opening dates for Term 3 are as follows:

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If you are not able to visit during our opening times you can complete an order form which is available from the office or download from our FFPS website. Orders are filled each Friday and can be sent to your child’s classroom or available for collection at the office. Please remember that we do not have credit card facilities – cash or cheque (made out to FFPS Uniform Shop).

We are always looking for volunteers, if you are interested in helping out in the shop on our open days (small children are welcome!). Please let me know via the office.

Deb Hishon  Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

Band News

- Congratulations to the Concert Band who received a bronze award and the Performance Band who received a silver award at the NSW Band Championship on Sunday. The Performance Band also received a development grant for a professional workshop.
- **Solo Showcase** afternoons will take place on 17 August for the Training and Performance Bands and 24 August for the concert band.
- Performance Band to compete in the **Battle of the Bands on 14 September**.

**Can all parents please check the Duty Roster on the Band Room door.** Your help in the band room at rehearsals is greatly appreciated.

Pam Holland (9975 9259)  Band Co-ordinator 2014

Christmas Fair 2014

The Fair preparations have begun and we have a great team working together to make this year's fair the best fair ever.

The fair date is **Sunday 9 November, from 10.00am – 3.00pm**. The fair will include:

Photos with Santa Claus
Exciting rides (big slide, dodgem cars, storm, rock wall, chair-o-plane)
Pulled pork sandwiches & BBQ
Cake stall, milk bar and coffee van
White elephant and second hand books
Hair, nails and cheek art
Lucky dips
Biscuit decorating
Tombola
Games including- prize wheel, candy cane toss, obstacle course, etc
Outside stalls
Raffle and silent auction

There are many exciting things happening over the course of term 3 and beginning of term 4 and there will be opportunities for you to help out.

If you have any items in good condition that can be sold at our white elephant stall eg. books, toys, games, bric-a-brac, etc., please bring those into the office.

If you are interested in helping out, or if you would like to donate a prize, on behalf of you or the company you work for, please contact me.

Tonya Richards  Fair Co-ordinator
0410 297 556 or email at wifie.richards@gmail.com.