Principal’s Message

Coming events
Monday 24 August   Book fair – student preview
Tuesday 25 August  Book fair – sales
Wednesday 26 August Book fair – final sales
Thursday 27 August  Kindlinks assembly 9.30am
Thursday 27 August  PSSA summer competition trials
Friday 28 August PSSA summer competition trials
Monday 31 August P&C 7.30pm in the staffroom (enter through Sorlie Place gate)
Tuesday 1 September SRC dress in red day for the Salvos
Thursday 3 September Class, individual and family photos

eSafety
The Office of the eSafety Commissioner https://esafety.gov.au provides Australian children, parents, carers and educators with information and advice about online safety. The Office also operates a complaints system so Australian children and young people can report serious cyberbullying content on large social media sites.

As parents, how do we understand the issues of cyberbullying and how it impacts our children? The eSafety for parents’ page https://esafety.gov.au/education-resources/parent-resources/esafety-for-parents-cyberbullying offers helpful guidelines with short videos, FAQs, parental controls, options to report cyberbullying and a chatterbox. The sessions on the chatterbox include:

- Selfies and someone-elsies
- Tots, teens and in-betweens
- Trolling, tagging and bagging
- The internet’s underbelly
- Screentime and downtime
- Digital rights versus digital wrongs
- Parental control tools
- Blurred lines
- Cyberbullying

Please be involved in what your child is engaging with on-line!

Operation Art
Congratulations to Pearl M, Amelie M, Ashleigh B and Luke C whose artworks have been selected for Operation Art 2015. The artworks will be exhibited at the Armory Gallery, Sydney Olympic Park. Thank you to Miss Yeats for organising the entries.

Our school calendar is now a google calendar – available on the website!

Gail Smith   Principal
Respectful Responsible Learner

The focus for this term is:

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Assembly Award Winners

Term 3 Weeks 4 and 5

SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS

GOLD AWARD RECIPIENTS
Henry M, Aidan S, James B, Brooke C, Tyra T, Katelyn G

MEDAL RECIPIENTS
Brooke F, Brooke C, James B

Sport News

Zone Athletics
Congratulations to all students who competed at the Zone Athletics Carnival on Monday. Frenchs Forest students displayed outstanding sportsmanship and should be very proud of their efforts. Thank you to the parents who helped in the grandstand, with field events and supported the students on the day.

Congratulations to Zed D who was selected to compete in the 100m at the Sydney North Area Carnival. We wish him well!

PSSA
This Friday we will catch up round 3 of the PSSA draw playing at Lionel Watts oval. AFL is catching up their round 5 games.

PSSA Trials
Next Thursday and Friday (27 and 28 August) we will be running PSSA trials for our next competition for students in yrs 3-6. PSSA sport is optional and there is a cost to parents. School sport is available for students who are not selected or choose not to participate in PSSA.

Students will be asked at school to nominate the sport(s) they wish to trial for. Please wear sport uniform on these days.
The times are:
Thursday 2:00-3:00pm and Friday 9:10-11:10am
The sports students can trial for are:
Cricket- Junior and Senior Girls
Softball- Senior Boys
TBall- Junior Boys
Eagletag – Yr 3/4 Boys and Girls
- Senior Girls

MJ Peel
Assistant Principal/Sport Co-ordinator

**LRC News**

We were very excited by our two author visits this week. Morris Gleitzman spoke to the Yr 4-6 children on Wednesday and Frances Watts spoke to the K-3 years on Thursday. I will report in the next Focus about how it all went but I'm sure you will already have heard some of the news by the time you read this!

**Book Fair**
Term 3 continues to be very busy in the LRC with next week’s Book Week Book Fair. All children will get a chance to preview the books on Monday 24 August prior to our sales days on Tuesday 25 and Wed 26 August. Please do come along and support the LRC. As in past years, orders can be taken for most items if the desired title sells out really quickly.

Margaret Simpson will again be with us selling her wonderful Usborne titles to complement those provided by Carnival Fairs. Margaret has asked me to pass on that she will not be able to accept credit card payments this year so cash or personal cheques made out to Margaret Simpson will be the way to go for Usborne books ONLY.

I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Claire Peters
Teacher Librarian

**P & C News**

Dip Day was a great success with about 170 students participating. Thank you to all the volunteers who filled dip containers, chopped veggies and served.

It was lovely to see so many past and present students and parents at the Farewell Tea @ Tina’s last Friday. Thank you to all the bakers and volunteers who helped out. Tina’s last day is Friday 28 August so, if you are passing by the canteen, pop in and wish her Bon Voyage.

We would like to welcome Carrie Bridger as our new canteen supervisor. Carrie has 3 boys attending FFPS and is very excited about her new role. Please make her welcome as she settles in.

Charlotte Nash
Canteen Convenor
**Uniform Shop**

The uniform shop is only open three more times before the end of term. Students will be required to wear their summer uniform from the start of Term 4.

Our summer uniform is as follows:
- Boys – grey shorts and FFPS short sleeve white polo with black shoes and grey socks
- Girls – green summer skirt or culottes with FFPS short sleeve white blouse with green tie. Black shoes and white socks.

The shop’s remaining opening dates for Term 3 are:

- Friday 28 August 8.45 – 9.15am
- Saturday 29 August 3.45 – 4.15pm
- Friday 11 September 8.45 – 9.15am

***Saturday Volunteers Needed***

We have unfortunately lost our regular Saturday shift volunteers for this term. If you are interested in helping out on Saturday 29 August for half an hour, can you please send an email to ffpsandcuniform@gmail.com or leave a message at the front office for me.

Deb Hishon  
Uniform Shop Convener

**Band**

Congratulations to our Training band and Performance band members for presenting their Solo Showcase pieces for a very appreciative audience last Sunday. Well done to Training band, who have finally got a chance to wear their band shirts and make it through their first public appearance.

Next Sunday is Solo Showcase for the Concert band members. Please meet at the band room at 1:30pm sharp in full band uniform.

In the next few weeks, our bands will be making public appearances at Belrose Super Centre and Balgowlah North Public School.
- Concert Band to perform at Belrose at 1.30pm on Sunday 30 August.
- Performance band to defend our “title” at Battle of the Bands at Balgowlah North at 11.10am on 13 September.

Good luck to all our band members in the following weeks. I know it’s a busy schedule but we need to take these opportunities when they arise.

Sally Tate  
Band Convenor

**Fundraising**

**Entertainment Books**

It is not too late to get your entertainment book. Go to the link below and you can pay there and the book will get delivered to your child at school. Cash payments can also be made through the silver letterbox in the office. www.entbook.com.au/200y050
Fair
The fair is approaching quickly so we are now starting our collection of items for the white elephant stall. Think of a large garage sale. If you would sell it in your own garage sale then we will put it in our white elephant at the fair.
If you or someone you know are interested in having a stall at the fair, please contact me and I will send you some details.
If you have any questions about the fair or fundraising, please don't hesitate to contact me at ffpsandcfundraising@gmail.com

Tonya Richards
Fundraising Convenor

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

Double Sticker Weekend!
To help you collect even more, Woolworths are holding a big Double Sticker Weekend this Friday, Saturday and Sunday only. Customers will get two stickers for every $10 they spend. The more you collect the more educational equipment the school can redeem. Thank you for your support.