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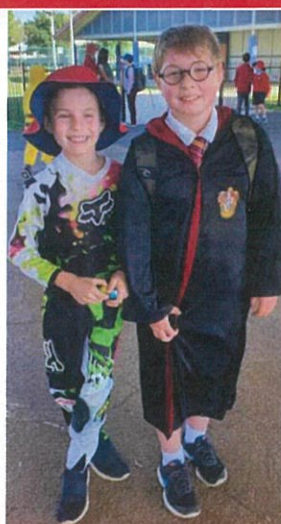
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Newsletter
Term 4, Week 2
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Protect yourself from viruses



Clean your hands with soap and water, or hand sanitiser.



Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.



Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.



Stay home if you are sick.



Find the facts

health.nsw.gov.au/coronavirus

FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

I am very pleased with the positive way all our students are approaching Term 4. We know how difficult this year has been to date and it is a credit to the children that they are making the most of each opportunity that comes their way as some COVID restrictions are eased.

Due to COVID restrictions we have had to make the difficult decision to alter the way in which we celebrate the achievements of our students at the end of the year – specifically, but not limited to, the Year 6 Farewell and our Annual Presentation event.

This year we will revert to holding our **Annual Presentation** at school during the day on Monday December 7th. Due to restrictions placed on the number of students who can gather in an enclosed space and the amount of time we can gather as a group we will conduct two Presentation ceremonies – one for Years K-2 and one for Years 3-6. **At this stage it appears that parents and carers will not be able to attend this event.** Should this change we will make whatever adjustments we can to accommodate guests.

Our **Year 6 Farewell** which has, in recent years, been held as a formal dinner will also be held at school this year. The format of this event will be very similar to previous years and follow the same format (speeches, presentation, and meal), however it will be held with a formal luncheon on Thursday December 10th. Once again, **parents and carers will most likely be unable to attend.** Staff are currently looking at possible 'after lunch' activities in lieu of the traditional disco.

So that our parents, carers and wider community can still be a part of these important milestone moments we will endeavour to provide a livestream, or at least a video recording, of each event that can be viewed online. More details will be provided closer to the date.

Have a great week!

Steve McAlister
Principal



Sprints News

Last Friday, teachers in Years 3 to 6 looked at the results of recent Check-in Assessments, which students in Years 3 and 5 sat. This assessment took the place of NAPLAN, which was cancelled due to Covid-19. We were pleased to see that students had the best results in comprehension skills. Teachers will be making plans to teach vocabulary words, whilst reading class novels.

Parents, please ask your children to tell you about the novel they are reading in class.

Can they tell you about the characters and what has happened so far in the story?

Ask them what they think might be going to happen.

Riley, George and Noah reading
Holes by Louis Sachar



Applications for Selective High Schools 2022 for Year 7 students

Applications will remain open until November 9th this year.

Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address). Detailed instructions on how to apply online are available at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>

The application website closes on 9 November 2020. You must apply before the closing date. *There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library or ask us to help you at school.* If you intend on applying for Selective High School placement **you must notify your child's current school.**

LIBRARY NEWS

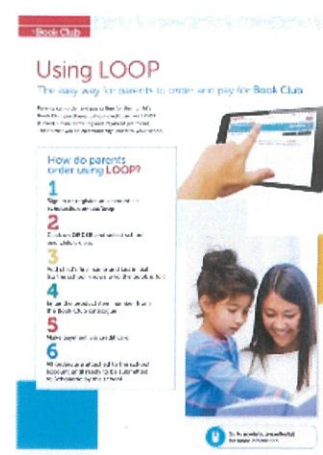
Book Club Issue 7 The latest Book Club catalogue went home last week and you may have noticed that it is jam packed with lots of Christmas books and specials! Don't leave buying Christmas presents until the last minute, order from our latest catalogue and get ahead of the game. Don't forget we have gone cashless, so all orders must be done through the LOOP payment system. Please have online orders placed by Monday 26th October (Week 3) so we can release the orders and they can be dispatched as a complete school order.

Book Club is going cashless This means that cash and order forms no longer come to school. From now on, all book club orders need to be made through the Scholastic website using LOOP. Loop is an easy online way for orders to be made for Book Club. There are 6 easy steps to follow.

1. Sign in or register an account at:
<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>

Setting up this account is free.

2. Click on order and select school and child's class.
3. Add child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for).
4. Enter the product item number from the Book Club catalogue.
5. Make a payment via credit card.
6. Sit back and relax and wait for your book order to arrive at school. If you do not want your child to take the books home (e.g. the order is a present) please notify the school and alternative arrangements can be made. Otherwise all orders will be sent home with the child once the orders have arrived at school.



If you have trouble ordering online, please don't hesitate to contact the school for help.

Changes to Enrolments

If you are presently aware of any change to your child's/children's enrolment details at FNPS for 2021, could you please notify the school office ASAP.



Year 3 Check-In Assessment



Year 3 students will take part in a Check-In Assessment from 21st September – 23rd October. The sitting dates will be Tuesday 22/9/20 and Wednesday 23/9/20. Year 3 students will receive a letter about this today. If students are absent from school, there will be an opportunity to sit the test until 23rd October.

COVID-19 Reminder

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms.

NSW Health has requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner.

Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptom-free before being permitted to return to school.

Tell Them From Me Parent Survey 2020

Forbes North Public School invites you to participate in the Tell Them From Me Parent Survey. This survey provides the school with valuable information used for planning into the future. Please click on the link below to have your say. This link will work on all devices, including mobile phones.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/94tt6>

Help us do better

The *Tell Them From Me* parent survey is your chance to let us know how we are doing.

Complete the survey

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/94tt6>



Your results will help us



**Build a
better school**



**Improve the
family experience**



**Allocate our resources to
better support our students**

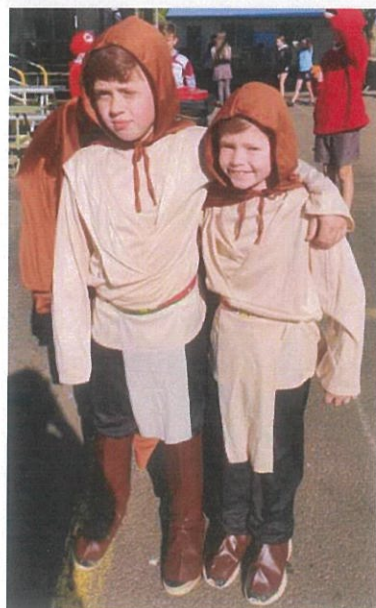
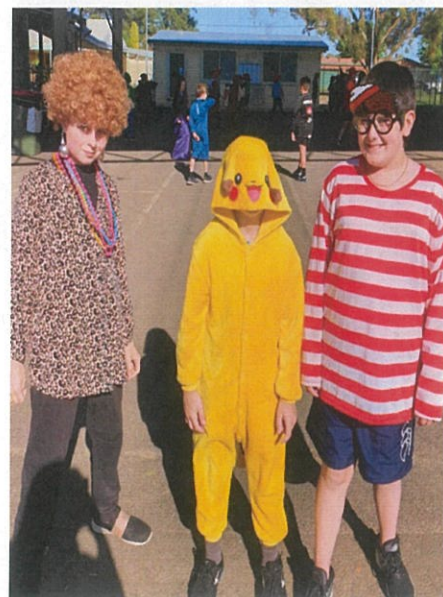
Sporting News

Next Week our School Rugby League team will travel to Cowra for an NRL Gala day and the Netball team will head to the Forbes Netball courts for their own Gala day. Mr Young and Ms Prior have had the boys and girls training hard this term and last term to get them ready for their competitions. Please remember that under the current DET health guidelines parents and cares are still not allowed to attend school events. We thank you for respecting these rules which ensures that our children can participate in these days.

Danielle McManus
PSSA/Sports Coordinator

PBL Character dress-up celebration day

We could have been confused for thinking we were on the scene of a movie set or in a story book today with amazing characters visiting school today. This reward was won by students gaining 1,000 dinawan's. Congratulations!





Our Current Positive Behaviour for Learning Focus –

‘We respect ourselves and others’

Class lessons will focus on how we can show **respect** towards our peers and us as an individual. We have won both Character Day and T-Shirt day. **Character Day** was celebrated today.

As a result of the change in our Dinawan reward system, we have decided to increase the number of Dinawan's required to **2000** before we receive that particular celebration.

Our Celebration Tallies have been updated to include our two new celebrations of Extended Recess and Zooper Doopers.

What will the next celebration be?

Current Tallies



Water Play 1051	Crazy Sock Day 210	Extended Recess 0	Zooper Dooper 368
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Parliament Fundraiser



P & C News

P&C Canteen Volunteer

Are you thinking about returning to the workforce? Is your resume or CV a little short on work experience or referees? The P&C School Canteen may be able to help you! We have an exciting opportunity for someone to work 4.5 hours, one day a week during school hours. If you would like to give it a try please contact the P&C on forbesnorthpc@gmail.com or mobile 0427 963 048.

P&C Annual General Meeting

All members of the Forbes North School community are advised that an annual general meeting of Forbes North Public School P&C Association will take place on November 17th, 2020 at 2pm via Zoom. Nomination forms for committee roles are available for current members via email and for new members from the School Office or by contacting the P&C at forbesnorthpc@gmail.com. Committee positions include President, 2 x Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, 2 x General Committee Members.

Supporting Nedd Brockmann's Fundraiser

Last week our whole school decided to help support Nedd Brockmann on his unbelievable mission to raise funds for Red Cross to help homeless people. Nedd completed his 50th marathon in 50 days yesterday! What an inspiring effort by Nedd.


The year 3 to 6 students walked or ran for 42 minutes, which is the lengths in kilometres that a marathon is. Kinder to year 2 students walked or ran for 21 minutes. The school donations totalled \$217.85 which have been added to Nedd's fundraising mission.

EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to **Every day counts!** *succeed...*



Class	Student of the Week	PBL Award	Merit Award
KWK	Scarlett Radburn	Jack Spice	Flynn Massurit Kaija Pettigrew
10	Ben Massurit	Sophia Klingner	Tyler Gray Pearl Karaitiana
1W	Braxton McNeill	Rylan Gunn	Logan Stevenson Trinity Green
2J	Nate Markwort	Nate Parker	Ruby Dumbrell Callie Woodbridge
2O	Harper O'Malley	Jaspa Buckmaster	Jaxon Woodhouse Lola Hughes
3K	Katie Thomas	Jharal Biggs-Baxter	Swaye O'Leary Lillian Scott
3/4J	Kobi McKeown	Max Cook	Sarah Kayward Jackson Kalisch
4/5F	Kyren Miller	Lucy Wright	Aurora Farrelly Addi Bale
5/6M	T'Kaya Johansson	Ethan Ray	Camley Hapgood Jack Gilchrist
5/6P	Jacob Joyce	Imogen Collits	Karla Osborne Rhys Knight
5/6Y	Blaze Allen	Ella Horner-Skinner	Skaife Girdlestone Lara Stevenson



Library

Hunter Markwort

PBL award for
We think before we act.



Term 4 2020						
2	19 OCTOBER BOOK WEEK	20 OCTOBER Character dress up day P & C Meeting 2pm	21 OCTOBER	22 OCTOBER	23 OCTOBER Wear your Favourite Team's Colours Day	24/25 OCTOBER
3	26 OCTOBER	27 OCTOBER	28 OCTOBER	29 OCTOBER Rugby League Gala Day in Cowra	30 OCTOBER Lachlan Netball Gala Day in Forbes	31 OCT / 1 NOV
4	3 NOVEMBER	4 NOVEMBER	5 NOVEMBER	6 NOVEMBER	7 NOVEMBER	8/9 NOV



Forbes Junior Cricket

That's right, Forbes Junior Cricket has opened registrations for upcoming season. For our young cricketers it's time to sign up to play in the Under 10's, Under 12's, Under 14's and Under 17's competitions.

There are Saturday morning sessions for children aged five to seven years (the Junior Blasters) and seven to 10 (Master Blasters).

These only run for about an hour, and are designed to teach the game to beginners and help children develop their skills.

You can use your Active Kids voucher to register if you haven't used the two NSW Government vouchers yet this year. Go online to playcricket.com.au and search for the Forbes club, or go to the Forbes Junior Cricket Facebook page for direct links and more information.

Aboriginal families with young children, please join us for a

Superheroes Day Out

Friday, October 30th from 5pm

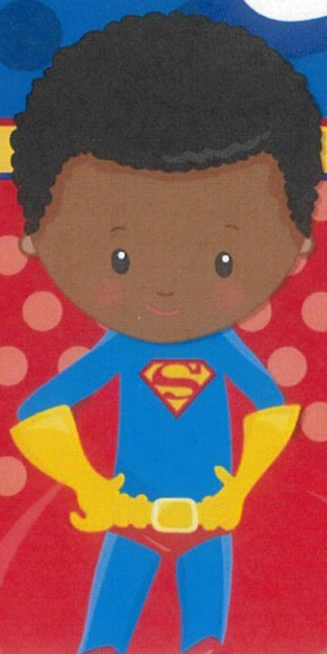
Wiradjuri Dreaming Centre

To celebrate Mental Health Month

sometimes even Superheroes need a day out

show us your super powers by taking part in art & craft, storytelling, badge making and refuel with a BBQ tea

FREE EVENT



We are back but to keep things safe we will still restrict numbers so booking in would be great. Please contact Tash or Maree to let us know you are coming and if you will need a bus to come get you.

Tash at CatholicCare 6850 1777
Maree at Forbes North SaCC on mobile: 0427 963 048



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