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Newsletter
Term 1, Week 2
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The new turf in the COLA area looks fantastic!

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...

Welcome to another wonderful year of teaching and learning at Forbes North Public School. I would like to welcome all our new families who have joined our learning community for the first time this year, and welcome back those who are continuing their educational journey with us in 2021.

I would like to welcome some new staff members to the team at Forbes North this year.

- Mr Michael Berneschi has been appointed to Forbes North as part of the Department's Casual Supplementation Pilot Program. Mr Berneschi has come from the St Ives area of Sydney and has worked in many schools in that area. While he will be based at Forbes North this year, Mr Berneschi will also be working across a number of schools in the Forbes/Canowindra area.
- Mrs April Simpson and Ms Kirsten Crouch are familiar faces at Forbes North, having both worked as casual teachers here in past years. This year we welcome both of these quality teachers to the joint role of Intensive Learning Support teachers, through the Department's Covid-19 Learning Support Strategy. Both will be working 4 days a week through this program, Mrs Simpson in K-2 and Ms Crouch in 3-6.
- We also welcome back Ms Jodie Markwort following her maternity leave. Jodie will resume her role as Aboriginal Education Officer. Mr Kye Merritt, who relieved for Jodie so capably last year, returns to us in the role of Learning Support Officer in Stage 3.
- Ms Marianne Hardy and Mrs Ashleigh Dent will also be with us this year, providing additional release to allow for collaborative planning and teacher professional support.

Should you happen to bump into any of our new staff members, please say hello and make them welcome.

Have a great week and a wonderful year!


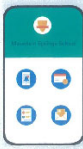
Steve McAlister

Principal



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School Banking

We will resume School Banking from this Thursday, 23 July 2020. Separate



Student Birthday Cakes

If parents/carers would like to send birthday cakes in to share with class mates, please note these items must be store bought.

It is essential that products are made in a controlled environment as well as stating all ingredients.

Thank you for your cooperation.

COVID-19 Safe Check-in

The Education Department is introducing the Service NSW Check-in process across schools to support NSW Health's contact tracing processes, should they be required.

Checking-in using the Service NSW COVID safety tool does not replace the need to sign-in using the school's visitor logbook, which must continue to be followed. Continuing to use existing sign-in processes is required as the Department cannot access data from the COVID Safe Check-in tool and records of school visitors are required to support emergency procedures.



We thank you for your continued support and effort in keeping your school COVID safe.

FNPS featuring in shop window display:

The shop window display is continuing and our first display for 2021 will be an introduction to the Kinder students and the new staff.

Winners are Grinners

The school picked up a Find it in Forbes #whyleavetown gift voucher from the Forbes Business Chamber for the Best Innovative Christmas Window Display.



Our Current Positive Behaviour for Learning Focus –
we are reviewing the matrix so that students know what is safe, respectful and responsible behaviour

Safe, Respectful, Responsible
Forbes North Public School

Kitchen/Garden News

5/6Y enjoyed their time in the garden this week harvesting apples for next week's lesson in the kitchen.



Ethics needs YOU!!!

It's that time again when we get back into the swing of a new school year. Ethics has said farewell to 2 of our teachers over the break, Melissa and Madi. This has left us in need, yet again for more volunteers. De and Mary will be continuing to teach and I will coordinate as usual. However, we cannot do this alone and thus ask that if you have any spare time on a Wednesday (only about 1 hour is needed), to lend us a hand. Ideally we need 2 more teachers minimum and another coordinator. The teachers find the classes very rewarding as do the children. At present, we will not be able to cover all stages, thus some children will miss out on this wonderful opportunity.

Training is now all online and so does not require any travel. A real bonus to us country schools. No previous experience is needed, but a desire to see children meet their potential and more helps.

To apply, head to primaryethics.com.au and click on the Volunteer Link or leave your name and number at the front desk and I will call you.

We hope to hear from you.

Tricia Bolton, Forbes PE coordinator

Community News

Fit for life is recommencing this coming school term at Forbes North Public School, please see below the information regarding the program.

Fit for Life is an entry level activity using boxing, incidental education and mentoring to encourage disengaged and at risk young people to connect with PCYC NSW and re-engage with schools in a youth friendly, physically and culturally safe environment. This program will focus on fitness, engagement with local Police and the local community, impacting change, positive growth and inclusion. The program has delivered positive outcomes increasing school attendance, improved attentiveness and behaviour which provides mental health and general well-being benefits. The program is based around the 5 core principles of PCYC – commitment, resilience, integrity, citizenship and respect, which are taught through core messages and reinforced through sporting activity.

Participants will be offered Transport to the venue then to school each morning that they will be attending the program. Morning boxing sessions with Police and other positive adult mentors will provide both physical fitness and opportunities for incidental learning on a range of topics through one-to-one communication. A healthy breakfast will be provided to all participants with opportunities to talk about nutrition and its links with fitness, health and wellbeing. Personal hygiene and presentation is another key facet of this program and shower facilities will also be on offer before returning back to school.

This program is a part of the Police Commissioners 'Rise Up' strategy aimed at engaging disengaged and at-risk youth.– here is a little video about it; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vKADSIDoFK8>

Venue: Forbes North School Hall

Date: Wednesday Morning, **commencing 10 February**

Time: 7:30am-8:30pm

Cost: Free

* Transport is available to and from this activity

JOIN US FOR A MORNING OF FUN AND FITNESS. SESSIONS INVOLVE PARTICIPATION FROM LOCAL POLICE OFFICERS IN A FUN SOCIAL SETTING.



FIT 4 LIFE PROGRAM



FREE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGE 10-17

WHEN: Every Wednesday Morning during school term
Time: 7:30am, 40 mins sessions.
WHERE: Forbes north public school -hall



Transport to and from FIT 4 LIFE is available.

**Please contact S/CST Simon Lockwoodon 0458 490 539
Parkes Club Manager Katie Spence 0490 510 24 1 for more information**

PCYC PARKES
36-38 Pearce street, Parkes.
6862 3825

For more information please contact Parkes PCYC ON 6862 3825.

YOU'RE INVITED!!!



International Day of
People with
Disability
Pool Party!

Wednesday 24 February 2021



International Day of
People with Disability

Pool Party!

Join us for a Pool Party to celebrate International Day of People with Disability!

When: Wednesday 24 February 2021

Where: Forbes Olympic Pool, Johnson Street Forbes

Time: 10am till 2pm

Free pool entry, free BBQ lunch, face painting, games and more!

Please RSVP to community@forbes.nsw.gov.au by Wednesday 17 February

Term 1 2021

	1 FEBRUARY	2 FEBRUARY	3 FEBRUARY	4 FEBRUARY	5 FEBRUARY	
2		Link Up resumes	Swimming for sport (8 years & above)			6/7 FEB
3	8 FEBRUARY	9 FEBRUARY	10 FEBRUARY Swimming for sport (8 years & above)	11 FEBRUARY	12 FEBRUARY	13/14 FEB
4	15 FEBRUARY	16 FEBRUARY	17 FEBRUARY	18 FEBRUARY	19 FEBRUARY School swimming carnival	20/21 FEB



Please contact the
school regarding any
further information on

Ph: 6852 2187

Taking students on a journey through mime

Visiting Performance for the
'Mime-O-Rama'

Term 1

Week 9

Wednesday 24th March

Note: *Students who have paid the
voluntary school contribution fees do not
need to pay to attend. For students who
have not paid the VSC but would like to
attend the performance it is a set fee
of \$5.00 and **MUST** be paid by Monday
15th March*

Mime-O-Rama is a
world class theatrical
experience designed
to broaden the mind
and show that
language is only one
form of
communication





Red Bend Junior Rugby League **REGISTRATIONS FOR THE** **2021 SEASON.**

Got to www.playrugbyleague.com

**Jump online to do your registration
then please attend one of the
following registration days to fill in
all required paperwork;
Saturday 20th February and
Saturday 27th February 2-4pm at
Red Bend Catholic College football
grounds.**

PIC•COLLAGE

Rotary Ipomoea



Market

Saturday

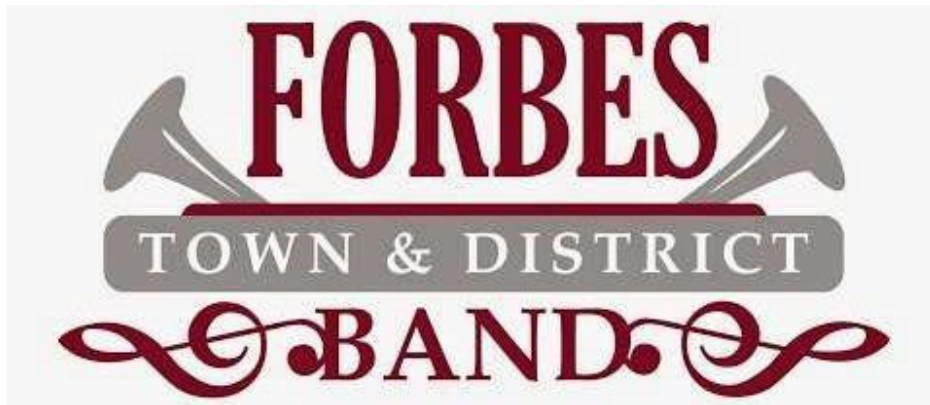
13th February

Lion's Park Forbes

8am to 12.30pm

Ph. Helen 6851 4930





Come and try an instrument

Learners classes for 2021

Would you like to try to learn a musical instrument?

‘Come and try’ days will be conducted Term 1 2021 at the Forbes Town Band Hall 165 Rankin Street Forbes (opposite Bernardi’s).

Town Band Music Director for 2021 is Mrs Hannah Nixon.

Learn to play flute, clarinet, trumpet, saxophone, trombone, tuba, xylophone or drums.

“Come and try” dates are

Monday 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd February from 6-7pm

Parents are welcome to stay with their children and may wish to learn along with their children and join the band as well.

Suggested age for a student to start band is 10 years. Adults are also very welcome to join learner’s band. You are never too old to learn!

Community members that can already play an instrument are most welcome to come along and join the band. Senior band follows learner sessions each Monday at 7pm.