

FORSTER PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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DATES TO REMEMBER

12 May
P & C Meeting 5.30pm
School staffroom

13 May
PSSA Soccer
Rounds 1 & 2

14 May
Aussie of the Month
Afternoon tea

23 May
Hunter Cross Country

18 June
School Athletics Carnival
8 years and over

19 June
Infants Athletics Carnival

11 - 15 August
Yr 6 Canberra Camp



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Principal's Report - Mrs Alison Jenner

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we settle into the rhythm of Term 2, I would like to share some highlights and important information from our school community.

Semester One School Reports

Information for families – Kindergarten to Year 6

From Term 2, we're introducing updated school reports. The new format has been developed by the NSW Department of Education in response to feedback from parents and educators to make reports easier to read and understand.

Your child's report will still show their progress across all subject areas.

Teacher comments will appear in english, mathematics and the general comment section, in line with department policy. The general comment for kindergarten also covers all other key learning areas including, creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, and science and technology.

A new achievement scale and descriptions are included to provide a clearer picture of your child's progress.

Parent-teacher interviews remain an important way to discuss your child's progress and achievement in more detail. We welcome your feedback or questions about the new report format.

Zone Cross Country success

We are thrilled to announce that several of our talented students represented our school at the Zone Cross Country event last week. Their hard work, determination, and sportsmanship were truly commendable. Participating in such events not only showcases their athletic abilities but also fosters a sense of camaraderie and school spirit. Congratulations to all participants for their outstanding efforts, and a special commendation to those who placed in the top ranks!

Thank you to our P&C

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our amazing Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association for their incredible work in running the Mother's Day stall. This annual event is a wonderful opportunity for students to select special gifts for their mothers and significant female figures in their lives. The P&C's dedication in organising this event helps create memorable experiences for our families, and we deeply appreciate your commitment to enhancing our school community. Between the stall and the Mothers Day raffle the P & C raised \$2804.85

SRC Assembly highlights

We recently held our Student Representative Council (SRC) Assembly, where we proudly introduced our new student leaders. A big congratulations to these students who have taken on the responsibility of representing their peers. The SRC plays a vital role in our school, advocating for student voice and contributing to initiatives that benefit our community. We are excited to see the positive changes and innovative ideas that our leaders will bring forward this term!

Intensive Swimming Lessons

I would like to remind parents that intensive swimming lessons are currently underway for students in our Supported Learning classes. These lessons provide a fantastic opportunity for our students to develop essential swimming skills in a supportive environment. Swimming not only promotes physical fitness but also enhances water safety awareness, which is invaluable for our students' well-being.



Safety . Respect . Personal Best

NSW Public School Surveys

Finally, I encourage students in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 to complete the NSW Public School Surveys. The survey is an important tool that allows students to share their experiences and perspectives about our school. Your feedback is crucial in helping us identify areas for improvement and ensuring that our school continues to meet the needs of all students. The survey is anonymous and will only take a few minutes to complete.

Thank you for your ongoing support and engagement in our school community. Let's make this term a memorable one filled with learning, growth, and achievements!

Alison



FORSTER KIDS CANTEEN

Forster Public School
Quickcliq order online
2025

BURGERS & ROLLS

Cheese Burger	\$5.50
Chicken Cheese Burger	\$5.50
Hamburger	\$7.50
Chicken Salad Burger	\$7.50
BLT on Turkish	\$7.50
Egg & Bacon Roll	\$6.50
Chicken Gravy Roll	\$5.00
Burger Wrap	\$8.00



MEALS

Butter Chicken (gf)	\$5.00
Bolognese	\$5.00
Cheesy Pasta	\$4.00
Sweet & Sour Chicken (gf)	\$5.00
Lasagne	\$5.00
Plain Rice (gf)	\$3.00
Nachos (gf) (veg)	\$4.00

HOT STUFF

Garlic Bread	\$2.50
Party Pie	\$1.50
Traveller Pie	\$4.50
Sausage Roll	\$4.50
Pizza Rounda/Pocket	\$4.00
Bbq Dino Wrap	\$5.00
Hot Dog	\$3.50
Noodles (beef or chick)	\$3.00
5 Pack Dino Nuggets	\$4
3 Pack Mini Spring Roll	\$2.50
Banana Bread	\$3.50

SANDWICHES

Honey, Jam or Vegemite	\$2.00
Cheese	\$2.00
Cheese Tomato	\$2.50
Ham or Chicken	\$4.00
Salad	\$5.00
Ham Cheese Tomato	\$5.00
Chicken Lettuce Mayo	\$5.00
Ham Salad	\$6.00
Chicken Salad	\$6.00

add or pick your own fillings

DRINKS

Juice box	\$1.50c
Small water	\$1
Big water	\$2
Flavoured Milk	\$2.00
Up and Go	\$2.50
Juice Bomb	\$3.00
Glee	\$3.00
Slush Puppie	\$3.00

GLUTEN FREE

GF Toasties from-	\$3.50
GF Banana Bread	\$4.00
GF Nuggets	\$1.00each
GF Tenders	\$2.00each
GF Cheese Burger	\$6.00
GF Chicken Burger	\$8.00
GF Hamburger	\$8.00

Salad Packs \$5

add \$1 for
GLUTEN
FREE Bread

FROZEN

Zooper Dooper	50c
Orchy Cup	\$1
Choc Mony	\$1.50
TNT	\$1.00
Snapstix	\$1.50
Moosie	\$2.00
Paddle Pop	\$2.00

Use  QuickCliq to order lunch for your child

Library News

In Week 4, we are very lucky to have visiting illustrator, Matthew Lin, coming to our school to conduct two workshops for a selection of Year 3 to Year 6 students.

Matthew Lin is a graphic designer and illustrator who has over 25 years experience — with the majority of that time in publishing, as well as advertising and promotional design. He has illustrated over 60 books with his illustration style revolving around manga /animé esque and sketchy.



Zone Cross Country



We are so proud of all our Cross Country runners who ran at the Manning Zone Cross Country in Wingham last week.

There were some outstanding results..

Congratulations to Zane, Lexie, Brooklyn, Sylvie, Jack, Oden, Layla & Lakey who will all head to Newcastle for the Hunter Cross Country on 23 May.



Weeks 3 - 4
**Positive Behaviour
for Learning focus...**

**PAX Leaders are in the right place
at the right time.**

Mothers Day Raffle



We are so grateful to all the wonderful local businesses that donated prizes to our Mothers Day raffle. We couldn't do it without you!

Our P & C raised \$2804 from the Mothers Day stall & raffle combined.

Thank you for your support and congratulations to all our prize winners. And thanks to all the Dads who were able to pick up the prizes so our winners could surprise their Mum on Sunday!



- *Smart Gift Ideas Gift Pack & \$30 Ice cream Sinners & Saints
- *Danni Harrison Photography Taree \$100 Voucher
- *Bukos Bistro \$100 Voucher
- *Daisy Bangs Shampoo & Conditioner Pack \$65 & \$10 Rockpool Cafe voucher
- *Forster Keys Hair Design Shampoo, Cut, Dry Voucher
- *Ryft Newsagents \$135 in gifts
- *Anoush Beauty \$50 Voucher
- *Si Seniorita \$100 voucher
- *Leaha's Hair Studio Shampoo, cut, treatment, dry voucher
- *B Beautiful Skin Clinic designer lashes voucher
- *Your Discount Pharmacy Natio Pack & Rockpool Beach Cafe voucher
- *Limlong \$50 Voucher
- *Watsons Friendlies Pharmacy \$50 voucher
- *Watsons Friendlies Pharmacy \$50 voucher
- *Great Lakes Pharmacy Pack
- *Tuncurry Pharmacy Natio 4 Pack with bag
- *Forster Beauty Therapy foundation & House of Highness \$25 voucher
- *RK Fashion Pack & \$20 Sinners & Saints voucher
- *Manning Shoes \$50 Voucher
- *Beach Bums \$50 voucher
- *Beach Bums \$50 vouchers
- *One Hair and Beauty Shampoo cut & blowdry voucher



Touch Football



Congratulations to our touch teams who won their round one PSSA games against Tuncurry. Girls 8 - 2. Boys 8 - 5. Fabulous effort! Many thanks to Ian for reffing & Miss Gunter and Ms Paulson for taking the teams.

In the Bin! is coming...



EnviroMentors is the leading mobile education provider run by Keep Australia Beautiful NSW and trusted by schools and teachers across NSW since 1994. Over 4 days the entire cohort at Forster Public School is participating in the In the Bin Program. This module focuses on what goes in which bin. Students learn the appropriate and safe bin to place waste in, and what happens to it, depending on where it goes – to landfill, a recycling centre, or to be turned into compost. Tricky waste like e-waste and fast fashion are discussed, emphasising the importance of diverting waste from landfill.



Active Travel: Small Steps, Big Benefits!

Encouraging your child to walk, ride, or scoot to and from school is a simple way to boost their daily physical activity.

Active travel helps improve focus, fitness, and overall wellbeing — plus it's a great opportunity to build independence and enjoy time outdoors. Even walking part of the way makes a difference!

You could:

- 🚶 Walk all or part of the way
- 🚲 Ride a bike or scooter (with a helmet!)
- 🚶 Park a short distance from school and walk the rest
- 🚶 Join a walking group or "walking bus" with other families



Hunter New England
Local Health District

@HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<https://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au>

Good for Kids acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.



**We're here to support
positive attendance habits.**



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Communicating with our school



All contact with our school is to be consistent with the School Community Charter respecting that our staff are primarily engaged with the teaching and caring of our students.

By phone



Urgent matters

Urgent matters require an action or response from staff on the same day, like:

- your student's attendance
- changes to arrangements that need to be communicated to your student
- your student's health and wellbeing.

Non-urgent matters

Including:

- requesting a meeting with our school staff
- requesting information about an upcoming school event
- providing brief information to the school
- raising a concern.

What you can expect

If necessary, you will need to leave a message with our office staff who will identify the best person to respond to your call, if needed. The response will happen by the end of the next school day.

Our school phone number is:

02 6555 6766

You are welcome to phone our school during school hours 8.30am - 3.30pm

By email



Our school email address is:

forster-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

You can email us about non-urgent matters that do not require a same day response, like:

- requesting a meeting with our school staff
- requesting information about an upcoming school event
- providing information to the school such as specialist reports
- raising a concern.

For matters that require an action or response from staff on the same day, please phone the school.

What you can expect

Emails will be:

- read within 3 school days of receipt
- acknowledged, if required
- assessed to decide what action is needed, including if a response is required
- monitored between Monday to Friday 8.30am - 3.30pm, during school terms only
- responded to by relevant staff only.

In person



How to contact our school

Parents are welcome to meet with our school staff.

- We prefer you phone or email a request, briefly explaining the issues you wish to discuss,
- or if the staff member is available at the end of the school day, have a very brief meeting. Please understand they may have other duties to attend to.

You are welcome to bring a support person or advocate, with prior notice, to be present at any meeting.

What you can expect

Our staff will:

- respond to your request within 3 school days
- discuss with you a mutually agreeable time to meet and agree on what will be discussed
- decide who is best to meet with you.

