

FORSTER PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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DATES TO REMEMBER

17 Sep
Kindy Concert
Dress Rehearsal

18 Sep
Kindy Concert
Parent
Performance

19 Sep
Manning Zone Netball
Gala Day

25 Sep
P & C Colour Blast
Fun Run
(Have you registered?)

26 Sep
Last day Term 3

16 Oct
Kindergarten 2026
Parent Info Session



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Principal's Report - Mrs Alison Jenner

As we move into the final two weeks of Term 3, we take this opportunity to celebrate the many achievements, events, and important work happening across our school. It has been a busy term filled with learning, growth, and community spirit.

Staff CPR & Anaphylaxis Training

Our staff recently completed comprehensive CPR and Anaphylaxis training sessions, conducted by certified health professionals. This essential training equips our staff with the skills and confidence to respond quickly and effectively in emergency situations, ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students. Regularly updating these skills is a vital part of our commitment to maintaining a safe learning environment for everyone.

Year 2 Intensive Swimming Program

This term, our Year 2 students participated in an Intensive Swimming Program designed to develop their water safety skills and confidence in the pool. The program included daily lessons focusing on stroke development, survival techniques, and water awareness. Swimming is not only a vital life skill but also promotes physical fitness and resilience. We are proud of the effort and enthusiasm shown by our students throughout this program.

Father's Day Celebrations and P&C Appreciation

Father's Day was a wonderful occasion this year, thanks to the hard work and dedication of our P&C Association. They organised a Father's Day Stall, providing students with the opportunity to purchase thoughtful gifts for their dads, grandfathers, and father figures. We sincerely thank all the P&C volunteers for their time and effort in making this celebration so special.

Hunter Athletics Carnival

We extend our congratulations to all students who represented our school at the Hunter Athletics Carnival. Competing against students from across the region, they demonstrated great sportsmanship, determination, and skill. A special mention goes to those outstanding students who qualified to advance to the State Athletics Championships—this is a remarkable achievement and a testament to their hard work and athletic ability. Participating in these events helps build confidence, teamwork, and a healthy competitive spirit. We are proud of every student who gave their best, whether on the track, field, or cheering from the sidelines.

We would also like to give a special shout-out to Zane for his outstanding effort in gaining a silver medal at the Cross-Country National Championships. Zane now holds the title of the 4th fastest 12-year-old in Australia. Congratulations, Zane!

Aussie of the Month Nominations

We are thrilled to acknowledge the students nominated for Aussie of the Month this term. This award recognises those who consistently demonstrate our school values, including respect, responsibility, and kindness. Their positive attitudes and commitment to making our school a better place set an excellent example for their peers and contribute greatly to our community spirit.

Girls Soccer Team Success

Our girls' soccer team has had an impressive season, showcasing exceptional teamwork, skill, and sportsmanship. We congratulate the team on their achievements and encourage them to continue striving for excellence in the coming seasons. The team recently won 3 of the 4 games in the local Schools Gala Day. An impressive effort!

UNIFORM ORDERS at
<https://Epspandc-uniformshop.square.site/>



CANTEEN ORDERS at
www.quickcliq.com.au



Safety . Respect . Personal Best

Professional Learning: Lyn Sharrat's 14 Parameters

This term, our teaching staff engaged in professional learning on Lyn Sharrat's 14 Parameters, a research-based framework designed to enhance teaching effectiveness and student learning outcomes. The 14 Parameters focus on critical areas such as explicit instruction, data-informed teaching, classroom management, and targeted feedback. By embedding these parameters into daily practice, teachers are better equipped to identify student needs, tailor instruction, and improve learning growth across all classrooms. This professional learning represents the "work to be done" in our ongoing commitment to continuous improvement and excellence in education.

We are particularly proud of our school captains, who led the "Acknowledgement of Country" at the recent Lyn Sharrat professional learning event attended by over 240 Principals and School Leaders from across NSW. They spoke confidently in front of this large audience, representing our school with dignity and respect. Their leadership and poise made me very proud. In recognition of their outstanding contribution, Ahzarah and Lamar were presented with certificates by the Director of Educational Leadership (Rel.). This moment highlighted the strong student leadership nurtured within our school and our commitment to fostering student voice and cultural respect.

We believe that sustained focus on these evidence-based teaching practices, alongside strong student leadership, will lead to better engagement and achievement for our students.

As we wrap up Term 3, I want to take a moment to express how truly fantastic our school community is doing. The enthusiasm, dedication, and care shown by our students, staff, families, and community partners make Forster Public School a very special place. Your ongoing support and involvement are invaluable in creating a nurturing and inspiring learning environment where every child can thrive. Together, we are building something wonderful—thank you for being such an important part of our journey.

Alison 



Lolly Jar Guessing Competition

This will be run by the FPS SRC. We are fundraising for new sports equipment.

50c Per Guess

On sale every lunch time starting Monday 15th on the picnic tables near the Canteen.



Congratulations Zane!

4th National Cross Country





FORSTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kindergarten Enrolments

Now open for 2026

Enrol online or call us on 65556766



Enrol Today



Register your child for the Colour Blast at:

<https://colourblast.com.au/student-parent-registrations/?school-id=MTUyODA=>

It's FREE!

COLOUR BLAST IS COMING TO OUR SCHOOL!

HURRY! REGISTRATIONS CLOSE SOON!



Weeks 9 & 10

Positive Behaviour for Learning focus...

PAX Leaders are always organised for lessons and breaktimes.

Library News

Mrs Jodie Lednor
Teacher Librarian



From the borrowing desk...

The end of Term 3 at Forster Public School Library is fast approaching, with many students and staff looking forward to a well-earned break. Students and staff had a wonderful time during book week, celebrating the joy of reading for pleasure, which is so important for everyone. K22 even drew some amazing pictures of their costumes to go on display in our library. Thank you for your beautiful work, K22!

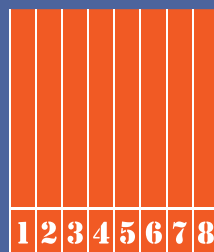
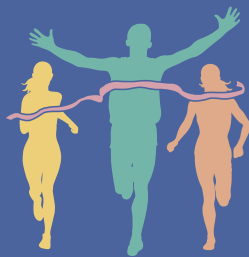
Our library remains a very popular choice for lunch break time, and our Student Library Assistants are kept very busy with helping out their fellow students and generally making our library a fabulous place to be. Our library would not be the same without these amazing volunteers, and we are very grateful for our kind and caring Assistants.

We are also usually open for Monday and Tuesday recess, with "Relax and Read Recess". This is a designated quiet time, with students encouraged to... well, relax and read!! It is a wonderful time to take a moment (or more!) and enjoy the peace and comfort of our lovely library, which has been made even more comfortable and user-friendly with the addition of a new learning rug and two new bookcases which were able to be purchased due to library fundraising activities we have held over the last 4 years. Thank you for your support of our library events, everyone!

We would also like to send out a big thank you to our families who support Scholastic Book Club throughout the year. We only have two issues left this year, so get in quick with our next issue if you would like to order great books for great prices, and help out Forster Public School Library at the same time with rewards points earned for every purchase. We are planning a Big Book Fair for Term 4 in Week Five, which will coincide with our Grandparents Day celebrations, so stay tuned for more information as this important event approaches!



Hunter Athletics



A shout out to all of our students who attended the Hunter Athletics Championships in Newcastle last Friday. Everyone put in an outstanding effort and displayed exceptional sportsmanship.

Congratulations to Hazel, Brooklyn, Lachie, Jack & Zane who will all be heading to State Athletics in Sydney soon. (Zane who placed 2nd in the 800m & 1500m also broke the records held for those events)



Kitchen/Garden



3-4/10 celebrated their last lesson in the Kitchen for this term with a Mexican Taco Fiesta!



Captivating Classrooms at FPS



1/19 & 1/20 have been building bird houses



2/17 testing their skills playing "Rob the Nest"



The students in 3-4/10 have been learning about symmetry through art.

Well done
Aiva & Ahnarliah



Congratulations to Aiva & Ahnarliah who were recently acknowledged in NSW Parliament by our local member for Myall Lakes Mrs Tanya Thompson.

The cousins have started their own business call Sistas Collection making many colourful creations such as jewellery, keyrings & candles. Mrs Thompson recognised how proud they are of their culture and it is wonderful see the girls grow in creativity and confidence.



Well done to our School Captains Ahzarah & Lamar on presenting our Forster Public School Acknowledgement of Country at the recent Lyn Sharrat Development Day for School Executive staff.



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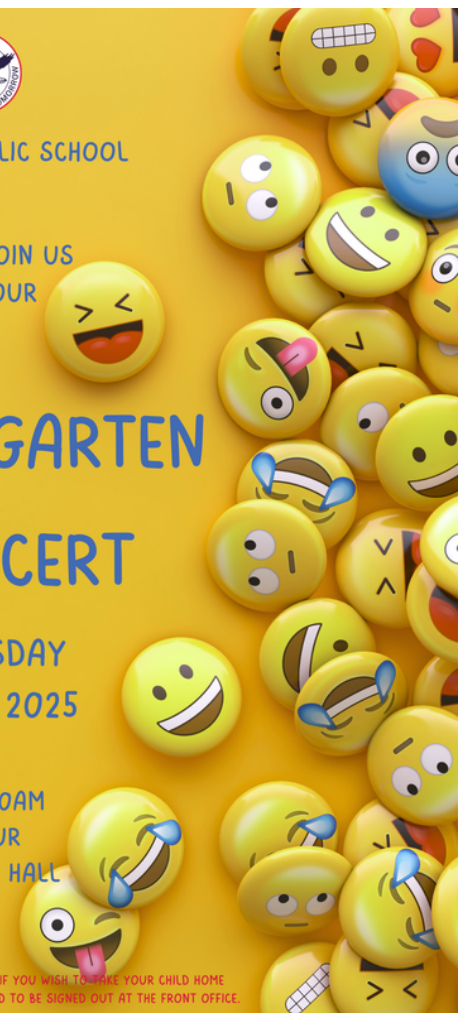
PLEASE JOIN US
FOR OUR

KINDERGARTEN CONCERT

THURSDAY
18 SEP 2025

AT 9.30AM
IN OUR
SCHOOL HALL

PLEASE SIGN IN USING THE QR CODE - IF YOU WISH TO TAKE YOUR CHILD HOME AFTER THE PERFORMANCE THEY WILL NEED TO BE SHOWN OUT AT THE FRONT OFFICE.





Congratulations to
our PBL Award
winners for weeks
7 & 8

Fortnightly Focus:

**PAX Leaders
are always
organised for
lessons
and breaktimes**

PBL Awards

Term 3 - Weeks 7 & 8

Kindergarten ES1



Jett K24



Zendaya K25



Nhyla K22



Tyde K23

Stage 1



Billie 1/21



Evie 2-3/16



Tyruss 2/17



Alaia 2-3/16

Stage 2



Zoe 3-4/10



Jarmarni 3-4/7



Ned 3-4/7



Lucy 2-3/16

Stage 3



Charli 6/31



Matilda 6/31



Georgia 6/31



Kyiah 5/1

Active OOSH Forster

SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

From as little as **\$11.46 per day** based on a bronze day with a CCS of 90%.

MON 29 SEPT - MON 13 OCT
Onsite at Forster Public School 7AM - 6 PM

BOOKINGS

START HERE!

YES Is your child already enrolled* with Active OOSH?
*Please understand that we cannot take a child into care who has not completed the enrolment process in full prior to attending.

Make your bookings in your Kidsoft Parent Portal!
Log in, select "New Casual Booking" and follow the prompts!

NO You will need to sign up for an account with Kidsoft to be able to complete an enrolment form and make bookings.

Scan the QR code above or visit www.activeoosh.com.au/enrol-now

CANCELLATIONS & LATE BOOKINGS
Cancellations for all Vacation Care bookings need to be made one week prior to the session to avoid an absent fee** and can be made through your Kidsoft Parent Portal. Late bookings made within 48hrs of a Vacation Care session will incur a surcharge of \$10. This fee will be covered by CCS, so a child with a 90% CCS will have a \$1.46 surcharge applied.

**We understand that unforeseen circumstances do occur. To apply to have an absent fee waived please complete the Absent Fee Appeal Form on our website. www.activeoosh.com.au

WHAT TO PACK FOR A DAY AT OOSH!

LUNCH, SNACKS & WATER BOTTLE

Please pack your child's lunch as you would during the school term PLUS extra snacks for the longer day. Please ensure your child brings with them a **reusable water bottle** clearly labelled with their name.

MEDICATION & AUTHORISATION FORM (IF APPLICABLE)

Children who require prescribed medication while in care must have a signed medical authorisation form daily. Any medication brought to the centre must be in a **unbranded** bottle be clearly labelled with the child's name. Liquid medications require a chemist label with the child's name & dosage.

WIDE BRIMMED HAT

To stay Sun Smart, a hat will be required for all outside activities, even in Winter. Please pack your child a **wide brimmed hat**.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

Messy or water based activities may be added on the day to help keep kids entertained. Please pack a **change of clothes** for kids to change into if needed.

PLEASE WEAR ENCLOSED SHOES

Enclosed shoes are the best type of footwear to ensure children can take part in all activities at Active OOSH.

WE ARE A CHILD CARE SUBSIDY APPROVED PROVIDER

Individual Child Care Subsidy (CCS) entitlements are determined by Centrelink based on your family's circumstances.

- Families earning a combined income of less than \$535,000 are eligible to receive a Child Care Subsidy on their child care fees.
- Centrelink will also determine the number of care hours per fortnight that your CCS percentage can be applied to based on an activity test. If you exceed these hours full fees will be applied.

Please ensure you confirm your CCS enrolment in your Centrelink app to apply CCS to your fees.
Source: www.education.gov.au

PRICE KEY

- SILVER DAY**: A special in-house day packed with extra fun from \$12.95 per day with a CCS of 90% (\$10.00 per day full fee).
- Bronze Day**: A fun, themed activity run by our team at OOSH Headquarters from \$11.46 per day with a CCS of 90% (\$9.00 per day full fee).
- GOLD DAY**: A big experience at OOSH (super incursion) or an exciting excursion from \$14.36 per day with a CCS of 90% (\$10.00 per day full fee).
- STEAMON DAY**: The ultimate day out - we're heading off on a super excursion from \$15.81 per day with a CCS of 90% (\$10.00 per day full fee).

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

WEEK 1

- MON 29TH SEPT**: PCYC NINJA & GYMNAST WORKSHOP. Get ready to flip, balance & roll! PCYC coaches are coming to OOSH to teach us new skills & fun tricks. A great chance to build confidence, strength, & coordination while having loads of fun!
- TUES 30TH SEPT**: RAPIDFIRE BAZOOKA BALL EXCURSION. Gear up for an action-packed excursion to Rapidfire Old Bar! Like paintball without the mess, kids will have a blast strategising with their teams in a safe, exciting environment.
- WED 1ST OCT**: FOOTY FINALS & PIZZA. It's Football Fever at OOSH! Kids can wear their favourite team jerseys or colours, join in fun football games & challenges, use crazy hair colours, paint faces & then celebrate with a delicious pizza party!
- THUR 2ND OCT**: GREAT LAKES CINEMA EXCURSION. We're off to Great Lakes Cinema for a brand-new kids' release, complete with popcorn for the full movie experience. Big screen, tasty treats, & plenty of laughs - the perfect school holiday outing!
- FRI 3RD OCT**: K-POP TREASURE HUNTERS. Inspired by K-Pop Demon Hunters, kids will join an exciting treasure hunt, take part in fun K-Pop themed activities, & even keep the treasures they discover. A day full of pop music, mystery, & adventure!

WEEK 2

- MON 6TH OCT**: **CLOSED** PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- TUE 7TH OCT**: MYSTERY SLIME LAB. Step into the Mystery Slime Lab! Explore the science of slime with a fun STEM focus, mixing, creating, & experimenting. Get ready for hands-on learning where discovery meets heaps of gooey fun!
- WED 8TH OCT**: PUTT PUTT, BOWLS & ICE CREAM EXCURSION. We're heading to Club Old Bar for a day of fun! Kids can enjoy a round of mini golf, try their hand at barefoot bowls & finish off with delicious pizza & ice cream. It's a perfect day out for the whole family!
- THUR 9TH OCT**: INTERACTIVE BUGS & REPTILES. Get up close to the coolest critters! From fascinating insects to scaly reptiles, kids learn why they're important, enjoy hands-on encounters, & join fun activities in this Just Dream wildlife experience.
- FRI 10TH OCT**: INFLATABLE WORLD EXCURSION. We're heading to our local epic indoor inflatable playground! Kids can jump, slide, & play on endless inflatables in a safe, supervised environment. Fun for all ages! Don't forget to bring your socks!
- MON 13TH OCT**: TRICK OR TREAT LOLLIES & PRANKS. It's Trick or Treat time at Active OOSH! Kids can enjoy a spook-tacular day filled with Halloween games, creepy crafts, & plenty of fun. To top it off, everyone takes home their very own bag of treats!

WEEK 3 - PUPIL FREE DAY

A Day Full of Fun!

club forster KIDS FUN FEST IN the BACKYARD club forster

THURSDAY 02 OCT. 2025 FROM MIDDAY

LIVE MUSIC WITH HUDSON ROSE FROM 5PM

BABY ANIMAL PETTING ZOO!
Come along and feed the Baby lambs, Baby goats, Chickens, Ducks & Piglets!

PLUS: Exciting Backyard play & activities | Fun face painting | Kids arcade games | Delicious snacks & treats | Live music

FREE EVENT www.clubforster.com.au

club forster SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN! KIDS MONDAYS

29 SEPT & 06 OCT

ON SALE 3.30PM STARTS 4PM

Bring the kids along for an afternoon of fun! Games are called at a slower pace for our younger players, with fantastic toys & beach gear to be won!

Why not stay for dinner?

JUST \$10.00 PER CHILD

Check out the Bistro Menu

PLEASE BRING CASH TO PLAY!

Sporties TUNCURRY SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN! KIDS WEDNESDAYS

01 & 08 OCT

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ONE MILE BEACH
FORSTER



Nippers is starting soon...

and we want you to join us.

KEY DATES:

Sun 14 Sept @ 9am In-person rego day at our SLSC

Sun 12 Oct @ 9am Water proficiencies at the Bull Ring

Sun 19 Oct @ 9:30am Nippers Week 1

To support our growing club,
we request that parents or
carers also join as social
or active members

Only \$35
per person

Why should you join Cape Hawke surf club in 2025?

The new water assistant award for
parents is great for being in the water
alongside your child



SUPPORT

New educators to help your
children learn and practice valuable
skills for beach safety



LEARN

New surf sports opportunities
for your child to shine - both
individually and as part of a team



SUCCEED

visit capehawkeslsc.org.au/club/#nippersinfo

Be part of our family.

CALLING YOUNG CRICKETERS

To register, head to the
Great Lakes Junior Cricket Club
Facebook page

ENQUIRIES - greatlakesjcc@gmail.com



GREAT LAKES

JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB