

Forest Focus

Term 1 Week 10, 3 April 2025

Principal's Message

What's happening at school?

- ✓ Check the school calendar on the [school website](#) or the [School Bytes Parent Portal](#)
- ✓ Read the notes via email
- ✓ Read the Forest Focus (every fortnight, even weeks)

Calendar highlights...

Friday 4 April	Special Awards Assembly, 2:15pm in the hall
Monday 7 April	School Photo Day Parent information session on reading in the primary years, 9:15am in the library
Tuesday 8 April	School Cross Country Carnival, on the oval
Friday 11 April	PSSA Eagle Tag resumes Easter Hat Parade Last day for Term 1
Wednesday 30 April	Students return for Term 2 Healthy Harold Life Education van visit, Wed to Fri
Monday 5 May	P&C meeting 7:00pm in the staffroom – all welcome. Please note the change of date for this meeting
Tuesday 6 May	Interrelate sessions for year 3 to 6 online

Use the links below to access our school calendar (also accessed through the parent portal)

[Full Screen School Calendar](#)

[iCal file](#)

School Photos

Parents are reminded that information about school photos is on the School Bytes 'newsfeed'. Please check for information about ordering photos. Photo day is Monday 7 April.

Cross Country Carnival

Parents are invited to join us on Tuesday 8 April for our school Cross Country Carnival. The carnival will commence at 9:20am and conclude around 12:00pm. Please find the order of events below:

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| 1. Kindergarten boys | 2 laps of the oval (350m) |
| 2. Kindergarten girls | 2 laps of the oval (350m) |
| 3. Year 1 boys | 3 laps of the oval (525m) |

4. Year 1 girls	3 laps of the oval (525m)
5. Year 2 boys (not turning 8)	2 laps of the school (1km)
6. Year 2 girls (not turning 8)	2 laps of the school (1km)
7. 8 & 9 years boys	4 laps of the school (2 km)
8. 8 & 9 years girls	4 laps of the school (2 km)
9. 10 years boys	4 laps of the school (2 km)
10. 10 years girls	4 laps of the school (2 km)
11. 11 years boys	6 laps of the school (3 km)
12. 11 years girls	6 laps of the school (3 km)
13. 12 years boys	6 laps of the school (3 km)
14. 12 years girls	6 laps of the school (3 km)

Supporting Children to Love Reading – Parent Information Session (Years 2 to 6)

Parents are warmly invited to come along to a short information session about how to effectively support our children to become engaged and motivated readers. The presentation will include simple, valuable and practical tips for parents to do at home so we can work together and support our children to become keen readers who enjoy reading good stories.

When: Monday 7 April

Where: School Library

Time: 9:15am – 9:30am

Presenter: Frances Separovich

Easter Hat Parade

Parents are welcome to join us for our annual Easter Hat Parade on Friday 11 April. Children in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will parade through the Forestway shopping centre at 2:20pm, then join the whole school on the top playground at 2:40pm for a parade and the “Chicken Dance”. Children in Years 3 to 6 are encouraged to bring in a hat and join the parade.

School Safety

Our school gates will be receiving an upgrade, commencing early in Term 2 (30 April TBC). The three gates that children access will become safety gates that stop students easily leaving the grounds during the school day. Work will commence on the Ann Street gate, followed by the Footbridge gate, then the Sorlie Place gate. Parents are asked to be understanding during the installation of the new gates if their access to school is interrupted. Following the installation, the new gates will be open for the morning and afternoon drop off and pick up, then closed during the school day, but accessible by parents who will be able to manage the child safety locks.

P&C Meeting

Parents are warmly invited to attend our Term 2 P&C (parents and citizens) meeting at 7:00pm in the school staffroom on Monday 5 May. Please note this is a change of date. This short and informative meeting (usually one hour) is for all parents who are interested in supporting their school in various ways, including deciding on a ‘wish list’ for future grants and/or fundraising events and informally chatting about our school in a welcoming forum.

Gail Smith

Principal

Assembly Award Winners

Term 1 Week 10

Congratulations to the following students:

GREEN AWARD RECIPIENTS

Xander H, Ellie T, Mimi M, Lachlan G, Tommy W, Beatrice F, Adriana S, Edith K, Alai P, Violet W, Zahli A, Jake H, Oliver F, Amelia H, Aashiya R, Julian M, James R, Aarohi M, Isla C, Oscar McC, Elke C, Owen P, Amelia P, Arabella W, Harry P, Bob M, Charlie M, Poppy M, Grace A, Charlotte T, Chloe B, Emma C, Cindy M-W, William W, Hunter L, Kaira B-J, Tilly M, Finn A, Lola Z

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Hosted by: Northern Sydney Local Health District, School Years team and the Northern Sydney Network of Councils.

For: Parents of primary school children living in the Northern Sydney Councils region and Northern Sydney Local Health District.

Date: Wed 28th May, 2025

Time: 6:30pm - 8.00pm

Location: Online via MS Teams



Scan the QR code or click here to register now!

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