Dear Parents, Students & Staff

In the aftermath of Cyclone Marcia in February this year, many in our community were supported in some way by the tireless and dedicated State Emergency Service (SES). There are 40,000 SES volunteers across Australia who each year collectively provide around a million hours of their time to help communities in times of natural disasters and emergencies.

Tomorrow is Wear Orange Wednesday (WOW), and Farnborough State School students are encouraged to show their support of the SES by wearing something orange and giving a gold coin donation.

In this hottest part of the year, it has been fantastic to see students involved in our Recreational Activity afternoons. The variety on offer includes games, singing, crab tying and cooking. Thanks also to Margie for her organisation of these afternoons and to the teachers, parents and community members who have generously shared their expertise with our students.

Carol Butler – Mader (Principal)
Student of the Week Awards

**Prep Purple**
- Zenon W for clever work with number facts.
- Ike G for super science discussions and experiments.

**Prep Yellow**
- Darcy R for trying hard in class.
- Quinn P for always trying hard!

**Year 1 Purple**
- Islah S for consistently putting her best effort into all tasks.
- Elle G for a conscientious approach to all her school work.
- Ashton W for his super effort in writing a sandwich procedure.

**Year 1 Yellow**
- Annalise R for doing such a great job at writing a procedure to make a disgusting sandwich.
- Larne W for working hard to master his sight words.
  - Keep up the great work.

**Year 2**
- Ella P for striving to so her best in tasks.
- Wyatt H for trying hard to complete tasks to best of his ability.
- Chelsea H for for demonstrating great initiative in her school learning.

**Year 3**
- Ethan R for his enthusiasm in guided reading, learning about Cockroaches.
- Abby W for finding humour in challenging situations.

**Year 3 / 4**
- Tahlia T for actively participating in class discussions and the positive approach you show towards learning.
- Ella S for a tremendous effort in reading.

**Year 4**
- Ava G for being a responsible waste warrior.
- Kiera L for great confidence in public speaking.

**Year 5**
- Kyra P for perseverance with swimming.
- Mackenzee M for perseverance with swimming.

**Year 5/6 and Year 6**
No Awards presented this week due to LOTE Excursion.

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**Wear Orange Wednesday (WOW Day) - Wednesday 18th November 2015.**

It is a day of recognition and appreciation where the dedicated work of State Emergency Service (SES) volunteers is celebrated across Australia. The focus of WOW Day is to encourage the community to show their support in a very simple but highly visible gesture by wearing the colour orange and giving a gold coin donation. This is the colour worn by SES volunteers.

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SES volunteers have a passion for helping people in the worst of weather and at the hardest of times, helping with storm and flood operations and other rescue activities.

On WOW Day, the simple concept of wearing orange and a gold coin donation will show your support of SES volunteers across Australia and will show that they are valued by the communities they support and keep safe.
HPE & SPORT NEWS

SWIM CARNIVAL – YEAR 3 to YR 6
Students who have participated in swim lessons this term (Year 3 to Year 6) will all be involved in a swim carnival next Tuesday (Week 8 – Nov 24). The full programme is included in this newsletter. Events range from novelty relays to team relays to individual 25m and 50m stroke events. Parents are most welcome to attend and support.

All students will need the following:
- Swimming Apparel – togs, towel, sunsmart swim shirt, bathing cap (or borrow school one)
- Water Bottle
- Hat - Sunsmart-School
- Sunscreen – There is school issue
- PACKED LUNCH – **No canteen purchases are allowed.** It would be appreciated if parents could assist us with this matter.
- FSS Spirit!

As there is limited shade at the COOEE BAY pool we will be “carting” shade structures to the pool. Any assistance with the putting up of the tents would be appreciated. We will be arriving at Cooee Bay at approx. 8.00am and packing up around 2.30pm. Thank you in advance to those parents who are able to assist at either of these times.

INTERHOUSE TENNIS TOURNAMENT
This is slowly nearing completion and the serious end of the competition. We have had quite a few nominations to play but many have not endured the length of the tournament. The weather of course hasn’t helped but we will endeavour to finish this Interhouse event within the next week. Once completed we will be presenting our finalists with their trophies on parade.

*Have an active and healthy week – Margie*

POULTRY PALS!
Thank you to our students in the middle year levels who have done a mighty job of caring for our poultry over the past months. For the final month of the year we have a new roster of helpers and I thank these students for being involved. I hope they learn and enjoy their time in this role. We are slowly having more students, parents/grandparents and community members being involved in the SAKGS. We always welcome “new or old” friends back to the garden. Although our ‘Green Club’ is on Thursday afternoon 3.00-4.15pm, the garden is open to our FSS community to assist with a project, care for an area or just be involved in those ongoing chores OR just come for a stroll through to check out what’s flowering, what’s fruiting and perhaps what’s being attacked by the pests!
All Welcome when the time suits.

ORNAMENT TREES LABELLED
We can certainly build on this information and incorporate a few learning areas into this identification information.

COOKING
Thank you to our parents and grandparents who are assisting Sue and our staff and students with the cooking programme. By all accounts the future chefs have been cooking up some interesting recipes as well as learning lifelong cooking skills. I hope they are demonstrating their skills in their own home kitchens!
We love the rain … get those mowers out!

*Margie*
Final Bookclub for the year- last week you would have received the last Bookclub catalogues for the year. There are some fabulous books available in all year level catalogues.

In the Prep Catalogue look out for some great titles by Aaron Blabey or maybe the Slinky Malinki Collection. Lynley Dodd’s stories are so engaging with fabulous and interesting words and rhymes in each story.

In the Year 1/2 Catalogue you might enjoy the 6 Book Magic Molly pack or perhaps the hilarious Fly Guy Value Pack. Award winning author Emily Rodda offers up more exciting Deltora adventures or there are Tom Gates or Geronimo Stilton adventures galore in the Year 3/4 catalogue.

Older readers might enjoy the Percy Jackson series, the Paul Jennings Unbeatable collection or the Maze Runner or Hunger Games trilogies.

There are plenty of books sure to please all readers. Books make sensational Christmas gifts for everybody.

If your order is a gift and you would like us to hold it for you to collect please write GIFT clearly on your order and we will contact you when the order arrives.

Orders must be at school by 9am Friday 20th November

- NO LATE ORDERS.

Happy Holiday Reading.
STAMPS – Strategy Working Backwards

A problem may tell you what happened at the end of a series of steps and ask you to find out what happened at the beginning. To solve the problem, work backwards step by step to the beginning.

Example

Brady was trying to decide when to get up in the morning. He needs 45 minutes to get ready for school. It takes him 25 minutes to drive to school. He wanted to get to school 20 minutes early to use the library. If school starts at 7:30, what time should he get up?

The problem gives you the amounts of time it will take to complete three tasks (45 minutes, 25 minutes, 20 minutes). It also tells you the time the last task must end (7:30). To solve the problem, work backwards to the beginning.

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Brady should get up by 6:00.

Upper School Problem – Years 3-6

On school camp the chef had to cater for the dietary needs of all 42 students. 1/7 of the group don’t eat carrots only. Half of the remaining group don’t eat corn. After eliminating those children who don’t eat either carrot or corn, 1/3 of the remaining group can’t have any dairy. How many students can eat anything?

Lower School Problem - Prep/Year 1

In a block building contest, John built his stack 2 blocks higher than Ebony. Ebony built her stack 3 blocks higher than Sam. If Sam stacked 10 books, show how high, John and Ebony’s stacks were.

Last week’s solutions

Upper School – Sample answers: 10+10; 2 x 10; 10 x 25 – 240; 10 squared – 90; Lower School – 2, 4 or 6

Now apply UNDERSTAND/PLAN/Do and CHECK/REASON; place your entry in the blue box in the foyer and remember to include your name and year level.

HAVE fun problem solving!

Lorraine Nielsen
Head of Curriculum
At last year’s End of Year Concert the P&C cooked a BBQ and served food and drinks for the FSS families and friends. This was a ‘first’ and proved to be very popular. So far, 4 parents have said they are willing to volunteer their time on the night. In order to provide this service we need help! We are seeking volunteers to assist with the preparations and set-up, cook the BBQ and serve on the night. I’ve included a guideline of performance times (see below), so you can help without missing your child/children’s concert item. If you can give 30 minutes or one hour of your time, please send me a text message, or phone me and I’ll put your name on the roster at the time slot that best suits you and your family.

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### ROSTER FOR BBQ/CALENTIN - END OF YEAR CONCERT 2015

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We’ve been busy this last month getting quotes for extra seating for students, water bottle filling stations and garden sheds. We have also purchased a new fridge for Prep Yellow as theirs died a slow death last week. Thank you to Betta Home Living for giving us a discount on the fridge.

Congratulations to Amanda and the children who were interviewed by ABC Capricornia radio last week. You all spoke really well and FSS was a topic of conversation around the region. It was ‘aired’ before 7am…so many farmers and early risers in our area heard the interview.

Thank you to those who attended the last P&C meeting for 2015 last week. I would like to express my gratitude to all of you who have attended meetings this year and supported the P&C in this important area of collaboration and development, in particular staff members Carol Butler and Emma McKee who attend every meeting. FSS had a totally new executive committee this year, in every management position – Jacqui Dwyer, Kate Baldwin, Suz Sheppard, Anita Rositer and me. We’ve learnt a lot of lessons along the way (thank you to those who held positions in previous years who have supported us) and we have many things that we would like to build upon for next year.

Kathy King
0400 681 442

Talking Tuckshop

Hello from the tuckshop! Wow what a week. Two very busy tuckshop days and a massive catering job. Thank you so much to all my helpers. There are too many of you to list this week, but you are all so special! The support has been phenomenal and I really, really appreciate it. Special thanks to those who took time out on their Saturday morning to help me prepare for Saturday night - Julia, Barbara and Kate… a huge thank you!

We only have a few weeks of school left. If you would like to come and help out in the tuckshop please drop by and put your name down on the calendar. Life is much easier if I have my helpers booked in advance. Working in the tuckshop is a great way to contribute to our wonderful little school and be part of the happy positive FSS community. It’s an awesome way to meet other parents and most of all, the kids love to see their mum/dad/grandparents helping out.

Have a fantastic week everyone.

Regards, Amanda
FARNBOROUGH STATE SCHOOL –SENIORS INTERHOUSE SWIM CARNIVAL TUESDAY NOVEMBER 24th 2015.
APPROXIMATE TIMES, PROCEDURES AND PROGRAM OF EVENTS.

9.00am –Students assemble in classroom –roll call –bus transport to pool. Parents transporting children to pool – PLEASE ENSURE CLASS TEACHER or OFFICE HAS BEEN NOTIFIED.

9.00-10.00am–All students transported to pool, changed into swimming gear if necessary and assembled into team areas. Student/Parent Welcome & run down of procedures for the day.

10.00am-10.45am approx. – NOVELTY RELAY EVENTS
– (year levels FROM CLASS- eg yr 6 THROUGH TO yr 3 NOT YEAR OF BIRTH)
• Yr 6 –Board Relay -50M (X team depend on numbers on day)
• Yr 5 – Dress Up Relay –Across Pool ( 4 per team –All students involved)
• Yr 4 – Kickboard &Object Relay-on back-Across Pool Across Pool (4 per team – All students involved)
• Yr 3 – Noodle Relay –Across Pool (4 per team–All students involved)

10.45am-1.00pm approx. -INDIVIDUAL RACES (AND A LUNCH BREAK)
ORDER OF EVENT (Below in Table)–YR OF BIRTH NOT class levels. Nos of participants per House Team is unlimited however students must be able to swim stroke and distance to an acceptable standard. Students are only permitted to swim one distance per stroke. That is they cannot do both 25m AND 50m of each stroke.

Points per distance : 50m - 1st -100 points, 2nd -70 points,3rd -50 points, Participation -40 points.
25m - 1st -30 points, 2nd-25 points, 3rd -20 points, Participation -10 points.
100m — 1st -200 points, 2nd -140 points, 3rd -100 points, Participation-80 points.

Individual Age Champion Trophy Winners will be contested in the following divisions:
- SENIOR BOYS & SENIOR GIRLS Students born 2003/2004
- INTERMEDIATE BOYS & INTERMEDIATE GIRLS Students born 2005
- JUNIOR BOYS & JUNIOR GIRLS Students born 2006/2007

1.00pm -2.00pm approx –RELAY EVENTS (ONCE AGAIN -YEAR LEVELS NOT YEAR OF BIRTH)
• YR 6 (4 per team ) – FREESTYLE RELAY—50m
• YR 5 (4 per team ) – FREESTYLE RELAY- across pool
• YR 4( per team) – FREESTYLE RELAY – across pool
• YR 3 (4 per team) - FREESTYLE - across pool
• YR 6 (4 per team) - MEDLEY RELAY – Bk,Fly,Breast,Fre-each
• YR 6 STUDENTS vs STAFF vs PARENTS FUN RELAY (Probably across pool!!!)

2.00pm-2.30pm – PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES. Clean Up of areas Pack Up of tents and Departure to FSS
Parents taking students from pool –please let classroom teacher know

ORDER OF INDIVIDUAL EVENTS
Some 50M events may be Heats first followed by the Final at the end of the 50M BLOCK of that stroke. Some events may have combined age groups.

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