PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Cyber Safety: I would like to reinforce my comments last week about monitoring your children’s internet usage. I have had a parent talk to me about an app their child had downloaded to their device. While innocent with the child mode on it quickly lost its innocence when child mode was switched off. The information with this app clearly stated that once child mode was off it quickly led to other websites that could be inappropriate for children. These sites could be ones that groom your children and lead to them being exploited by predators. Please check what your children are doing and looking at online, whether it is an app, social media or the internet. If your child is accessing something that you think is suspicious or you have concerns, contact the police.

FISST Athletics Carnival: This carnival will be held next Wednesday, 10 June. A permission note was included with last week’s Talkabout to determine if we needed to book a bus. As of yesterday afternoon only 4 notes have been returned and one parent has indicated that they can help with transport. It is almost too late to book a bus and on the notes returned so far it is unlikely we will be booking a bus. PLEASE return the permission notes ASAP. We will be relying on parents to drop off and pick up their children from Nowra High School next week.

I realise that many parents work and cannot help out but we want to give our students every opportunity to participate and compete in a range of academic and sporting activities. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated. Permission notes are also on the school website. Students who do not attend the carnival will be remaining at school and working.

School Athletics Carnival: This will be held this Friday. The carnival will start at 9.30am with age races followed by field events and then our relays and longer races. We would love to see parents and grandparents come along and join in the fun. If you can volunteer some time to help with time keeping and the field events that would be great. Don’t forget to wear your house colours on the day Kangaroos - yellow and Emus - green.
Uniforms: We have several students who are not wearing their school jumpers during the colder weather. I ask that parents ensure their children wear the correct uniform to school. Jumpers or jackets that are not maroon are not acceptable to wear to school. If your child has lost their jumper, please check the lost property basket in the office. It is easy to return jumpers and hats to students if their names are clearly marked on them. We have pre loved jumpers in the clothing pool for $4 each or if you would like to place an order for new uniforms. Please return the attached uniform order form to the office as we will be ordering more stock in the next few weeks.

Crazy Hair Day: We are once again holding a fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis on 26 June (last day of Term 2). Students will be able to wear mufti and have crazy hair (for a gold coin donation). Awards will be presented to a student in each year for the craziest hair. I can’t wait to see some crazy hair!!

Bus Behaviour: We have had several incidents of violent behaviour on the bus this term. Students who do not follow the rules on the bus may have their bus pass suspended and be refused travel on the bus. Please reinforce with your children to sit in their seat and stay there for the duration of the journey. Students should not be moving around the bus while it is in motion. I would hate for one of our students to be injured, or worse, in an accident because they weren’t in their seat.

Finally, enjoy the long weekend this weekend.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and see me.

Nicole

K/1/2 NEWS
This week Kinder are learning about the ‘th’ and ‘ch’ sounds while Years 1 and 2 are learning about words that contain the ‘nt’ blend.

Mr Angel has been working with students on fractions in Maths and taking a series of Writing lessons.
**3/4 NEWS**

Well Winter certainly has hit us so we have been having a blitz on names on clothing. PLEASE !!!
Homework went home on Monday and it is due back on Friday. We will be having our Spelling tests on Thursday as the Athletics Carnival is on Friday.
Only 6 children handed in their homework last week which was very disappointing.
Spelling champions last week were – Grace, Kaleb, Kiho, George, Sam, Emilly, Sealisha, Bailey and Akasha.
House points were a lot closer this week with the Kangaroos scoring 126 and the Emus 115!
We are starting our new round of Topic Talks shortly. The children have chosen music as the next focus which should be ‘interesting’. Most children have been preparing their talks very well, we have had some power point presentations and palm cards have been used very effectively.
Thank you for encouraging them. Despite being given plenty of notice some children definitely need to put more effort into this task.
We are reading “Charlotte’s Web “ in class which has resulted in quite a few interesting farm stories.
In Maths this week we are looking at fractions.
Children are able to write down any books they read at home for their Premier’s Reading Challenge.

*Keep in touch,*

*Lyn*

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**5/6 NEWS**

We are working towards extra sport time as a class reward this week. Students thoroughly enjoyed their reward last week which was a walk to the creek.

In Maths we are continuing to learn about ‘volume and capacity’ and ‘time’ and have began to revise multiplication and division.
In English we are continuing narratives for K/1/2, with a focus on writing for a specific audience.
We have been learning how to plan our writing and develop age appropriate content whilst...
MS CULLEN
This week during HSIE 3/4 and 5/6 students are continuing to study the cultural diversity of Australia and are continuing to create one and two point perspective art works. We are also starting to explore the songs we need to learn for the Shoalhaven Music Festival that we are performing at next term. K/1/2 are continuing to practice playing percussion instruments and are revising groups that they belong to such as sport, dance, religion etc.

SPORT NEWS
This week on Friday 5 June we are having our School Athletics Carnival. We will require parent volunteers to help with the carnival (time keepers and place recorders). Similarly, we are hosting the FISST Athletics Carnival the following week on Wednesday 10 June. Again, we would really appreciate volunteers for this event. Please contact the office if you are able to help out.
Well done to Rheya who attended the Regional Cross Country last week at Willandra and placed 9th in her event.
Yours in Sport,
Dion Lalor

CANTEEN NEWS
Sausage Sizzle - Friday 5 June 2015.

Sausage Sandwich $1.50  Soft Drinks $1.00
Hawaiian Pizza $2.00
LIBRARY NEWS
In Term 4, 2014, the school purchased some wonderful new class reading resources to be used in each of our classrooms. Most of these resources have been accessioned and are now ready to be covered. If you are able to assist, please let Karen know. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Mrs Bransgrove

WHAT’S ON THIS TERM

THIS WEEK (7)
😊Friday 5 June
Athletics Carnival

WEEK (8)
😊Monday 8 June
Queen’s Birthday Holiday
😊Wednesday 10 June
FISST Athletics Carnival Nowra High School
😊Thursday 11 June
Assembly 2:15pm

COMING EVENTS
😊Thursday 18 June
Shoalhaven High School Drama Group
Performance 1.30pm
😊Wednesday 24 June
Reports sent home
😊Thursday 25 June
Assembly 2:15pm
😊Friday 26 June
Crazy Hair Day
Last day of Term 2
Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrate their birthday in June:

1 June: Ryder Partridge
18 June: Brodie Partridge
21 June: Luke Robertson
28 June: Ashleigh Bloxsome

MERIT AWARDS
K/1/2 Kimberley Williams, Liam Fisk and Liam Henkel.
3/4 Steven Blume, Bailey Cullen, Emily Bloxsome and Kaleb Flear.
5/6 Zaliah Key, Ryan Browne, Elvis Oppong, Lachlan Flear and Ashleigh Bloxsome.

PLAYGROUND STARS WINNERS

The Stewart House keyring torch is fun and practical.
The keyring features the new Stewart House logo and a real working LED miniature torch.
Available from the office.

Happy Birthday!
Dear Parents,

The Small Schools Athletics Carnival will now be held at Nowra High School Athletic Field on Wednesday 10 June 2015. All children in Years 3 to 6 have been invited by the FISST organiser and we would like to see all children participate. Children in Year 2 who turn 8 this year may also attend.

We would like to use private transport on the day to keep costs down to entry fee only ($3) if not an additional $5 per student will be required for the bus. PLEASE return notes ASAP so we can work out if a bus is needed.

Students should wear school sports uniform and will require their recess, lunch, hat, water bottle and sunscreen. There will be a canteen operating on the day.

We would appreciate help from parents in supervising etc. If you are able to assist please fill in the section below.

Dion Lalor

All parents transporting children to the carnival need to show their current drivers licence and registration papers to the office before leaving.

FISST ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – NOWRA HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday 10 June, 2015 – YEARS 3 TO 6

I GIVE / DO NOT GIVE permission for ......................................................... to attend the FISST Athletics Carnival at Nowra High School Athletics Field on 10/06/15.

_____ I understand transport will be by private vehicle and I am able to transport _____ children (including my own). I have enclosed $3 entry (per child)
Or
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SCHOOL BADGES $5.00
SUMMER MATERIAL $10.00 per metre
WINTER MATERIAL $15.00 per metre
Secondhand Uniforms $4.00 each

Patterns are available to borrow from the uniform pool.

All orders require a deposit of 50% at time of ordering and full payment on receipt of goods.

Please make cheques payable to Falls Creek Public School

Total of Order = $....................
Student Assistance Contribution = $....................

Deposit = $....................

Balance = $....................

☐ Order Collected ☐ Paid in Full

☐ Receipt Issued ☐ School Assistance Contribution entered on OASIS