PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Annual School Report

The 2012 Annual School Report for Faulconbridge Public School is now available on the school website. For interested parents who do not have access to the website hard copies are available from the office.

Education Support Team Review

Mrs Margaret Tafe has taken on the role of coordinator for the review. This week letters were sent to the parents who were randomly selected to take part in the review. Permission letters were also sent to the parents of the students who were selected to take part in the focus group discussions. If anyone who was not selected wishes to take part, please complete the return slip at the end of my report, so Mrs Tafe can organise a suitable interview time on either Thursday 4th or Friday 5th April.

Harmony Day

Despite the wind, the painters, Mr Edwards’ and Miss Theoharis’ absence due to illness, the schools’ celebration of Harmony Day went ahead. Thank you to the people who made this a colourful event: Mr Earl for taking over the organisation of the day, the SRC for their posters, Uncle Graeme Cooper for his Welcome to Country and explanation of what Harmony Day means to him, Mrs Peterffy, Tekla and Magor for wearing their traditional outfits with pride and Mrs Peterffy for showing us her wonderful collection of Hungarian costumes and Mrs Dalkeith for her presentation about migrating from Scotland. Also a big thanks to all the students who made a rainbow in their coloured outfits and the parents who helped by finding clothes in the right colours and last but not least the parents who came to participate.

We know that the official Harmony Day was Thursday but Uncle Graeme was unavailable, so our school’s celebration was a day late to enable him to be present.

Max Ogle’s ‘Shave for a Cure’

Friday was a busy day with Harmony Day, Banking and Ice Block Day, and then came Max’s shave. Congratulations to Max for his support of Cancer Research, and to all the students, parents and others who donated to the cause. The money raised by the sale of ice blocks last Friday, $94, was also donated.

Survey – School Hats

At the P&C meeting it was moved that a survey be conducted via a note to families regarding the style of hat that is worn as our school uniform. This will be sent home next week when the Stage 3 students have returned from the Milson Island excursion.
Demountable Building
The Assett Management Unit has contacted the school regarding the imminent removal of the demountable classroom. The school is required to remove all furniture before the contractors commence dismantling the building in the coming weeks. There is an older style upright piano in the classroom that is not needed by the school. If anyone in the community would like it, please contact the school early next week to organise its removal.

Ethics Class
Next Tuesday Miss Theoharis, Scripture Coordinator, and I will be meeting with Mrs Abby Howells and two volunteer Ethics teachers to organise lessons for next term. Currently these are available only to students whose parents have indicated that they are to attend Non Scripture and are in Years 3-6. If your child currently attends Non Scripture and you would like them to participate in Ethics classes instead, please complete the permission slip below.

Happy Easter
May the weather be fine, the hot cross buns be warm and the Easter Eggs not give you or your family a tummy ache. We will enjoy the 4 day break before coming back on Tuesday 2nd April for the last two weeks of term.

Dorothee Lean
Principal

Permission for Ethics Classes/ Return to Office

My child/ren..............................................................................................................................................................

Class.................................................................

Currently attends Non Scripture. I would like him/her to participate in the Ethics class, which will be held at the same time as the Stage 2 and 3 Scripture classes.

Signed.......................................................... Date......................................................

Education Support Team – Expression of Interest/Return to Office

I........................................................................................................wish to participate in the Education Support Team review, I can be contacted on........................................ to arrange a suitable time.

Signed.......................................................... Date......................................................
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**School Trivia Night**
**Saturday 11th May**
**7.00pm**
*Bring your friends and make a table*
*Please register names at the office*
*$15 per table, maximum 8 persons per table*

**Question:** In which year did Australia first win a Rugby League World Cup?

Thanks everyone at Faulconbridge Public School for your donations and support. With your help I raised over $1,100.00 for the Leukaemia Foundation. Max

Max’s Shave for a Cure
Skating Achievement

Simone A in year 4 will travel to the Czech Republic for 2 months to attend school and further her ice skating training. On the way she will stop off in Logrono, Spain to represent Australia in a figure skating competition. She is the youngest member of the Sydney Ice Theatre, a team of 14 skaters who are representing Australia in Nations Cup, the world championship of Theatre on Ice. Sydney Ice Theatre has competed internationally 4 times and Simone was asked to join the team late last year. What a fabulous achievement for someone so young. Congratulations Simone.

Green Team

POSITIONS VACANT: GRANT APPLICATIONS
The Green Team have been looking for environmental funding grants that are available to schools. We have found a number of suitable grants and are looking for parents willing to complete the application process. If you have some spare time, a love of the environment and are able to write WE WANT YOU! If you are willing and able to take on one or all of these please contact Mrs Poulson or Mrs Atwood on (02) 4751 2208 or leave a message at the office.

Mrs Poulson and Mrs Atwood

Green Team
During week 8 all elected Green Team members were issued their badges. Thank you to all the parents who attended. Your support and involvement are appreciated. The Green Team have a very important role within the school and are contributing to a healthier, more sustainable future for us all. Thank you to Mrs Atwood who has worked hard to get the Green Team up and running. She has been organising a number of projects and lessons for the students which we will report on in the near future. Thank you Mrs Atwood.

Mrs Poulson
Woolworths Earn and Learn

The school is in the process of registering for Woolworths Earn and Learn Promotion which begins on 8th April and runs until June 2013. Last year we were able to order wet weather games, strategy games and beebot robots for K-6. The sticker cards are available from Woolworths but the charts will also be available at the school office. The box for collecting the cards or stickers is located in the office area. Thank you in advance for supporting our school.

Linda Dalkeith

PS Thank you to the office angels who put up with all these schemes!

Have You Ever Wanted to Work With Children?

Connect Child and Family Services is launching a new and exciting project called “Pathways to Early Childhood”!

We will offer you;

Free training that meets criteria for Recognition of Prior Learning in Certificate III in Children’s Services

Volunteer placements at a variety of Early Childhood settings (eg Long Day Care, Pre School, Playgroups, Community Hubs)

A supportive and inclusive learning environment that will build confidence, skills and experience

Please contact Connect Child and Family Services on 4758 9966 or email steph.roper@connect.asn.au and we will keep you informed of training dates as they are confirmed.
IF Starfish - ‘Artists at work’
Still life study of kitchen utensils from varying perspectives using pencils.
The Cancer Council has a briefing paper on their website regarding comprehensive sun protection measures, in order to reduce children's lifetime risk of skin cancer. The website link for this is:
Do you have children 7 to 13 years old?
Are you worried about their weight?
Would you like some FREE information and support about healthy lifestyles?

TO REGISTER PLEASE CALL 1800 780 900
www.mendcentral.org/go4fun

SWOT
SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY

TENNIS COACHING CLINIC
SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS, SPRING STREET, SPRINGWOOD

Mon 15th to Fri 19th April (9AM to 3PM)
JUNIORS 7YRS TO 16YRS BEGINNER TO ADVANCED FULL SUPERVISION, FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE RING 0416083472
STUDENTS GRADED INTO GROUPS DEPENDING ON AGE AND ABILITY. COACHING HELD ON WET OR FINE. RACQUETS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE. LUNCH PROVIDED ON FRIDAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRIZE GIVING.

ENTRANCE FEE: $150 (INC. GST)
GIVING EACH ENTRANT OVER 25 HOURS TENNIS.

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

FUN! GREAT TROPHIES! PRIZES

COMPETITIONS! TOURNAMENTS!

NAME: __________________________ EMAIL: __________________________
ADDRESS: __________________________ AGE: ________
PHONE: __________________________ (please enclose $150 fee with this form)
PARENTS SIGNATURE: __________________________

ENROLMENTS MAY BE MADE AT THE PRO SHOP, SPRING ST, SPRINGWOOD
OR BY POSTING THIS FORM WITH CHEQUE PAYABLE TO SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS.

Go4Fun

Healthy • Active • Happy • Safe

Little Red RIDING HOOD

Adapted by GABRIELLE DECELIS

25 - 28 APRIL 2013

The Norman Lindsay Gallery
14 Norman Lindsay Crescent, Faulconbridge NSW 2776

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL PH: 4751 1067 (10am to 4pm)