



FRASER FOCUS

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FRASER PRIMARY SCHOOL

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From the Principal

Physical Activity Challenge Launch

The Minister's Physical Activity Challenge was launched at Fraser Primary School last Wednesday. Our Year 5/6 students enjoyed Minister Barr participating in physical activities with them at the conclusion of the assembly. Olympian, Adam Pine, spoke to all the students about the importance of being physically fit and healthy and students were excited about Adam competing at the Beijing Olympics. We have invited him to return to the school later in the year to talk about his Olympic experience.

New Procedure

From Monday 2 June we are introducing a new procedure to ensure the safety of your children. For children who arrive at school after 9.10am, we ask you to bring them to the front office and sign them in and for those students who need to go home early for any reason we require the parent/carer to come to the front office to sign the student out. This will assist us to be sure that students are always safe and accounted for. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Congratulations

Nicholas C, Matilda G, Alexandra P and Matthew D have all been successful with inclusion to the Primary Concert Band. The Primary Concert Band is made up of students from across the ACT and they are students who

have shown an outstanding commitment and skill level during their time in the band. Lara S has been selected for the PSSA Belconnen Girls' Basketball team. She will play in the ACT carnival on 2 June.

Critical Incident Plan

Fraser Primary School has a Critical Incident Plan that was approved by the school board in 2005 and is a very comprehensive document. Staff understand and are aware of what to do in the instance of a critical incident to ensure the welfare of the Fraser Primary School community.

Capital Kids: Capital Leaders

I enjoyed a fabulous day with ten Year 6 students who displayed outstanding citizenship at the Capital Kids: Capital Leaders Conference on Tuesday at the Hellenic Club. The day revolved around leadership and resilience. Sarah Reece, one of our staff members, was actively involved with the planning and implementation of the day. The conference included 500 students from ACT public primary schools.

Sue Norton

Principal

FOCUS INSERTS:

NO INSERTS

IMPORTANT DATES

(Also see the Term Calendar sent out at the beginning of each school term)

MONDAY EACH WEEK	GKR KARATE Beginners 6.15 -7.15 pm. Advanced 7.30 to 9 pm. Ph: 0404 106 427
TUESDAY EACH WEEK	SCOUTS 7.00 to 9.00 pm - Mark Stockall – Phone 62585261
WEDNESDAY EACH WEEK	BANKING IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY FROM 9.00 AM
WEDNESDAY EACH WEEK	CUBS 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm Jamie Wilson 0401 020 375
THURSDAY EACH WEEK	GKR KARATE Beginners 6.15–7.15 pm. Advanced 7.30 pm to 9 pm Ph: 61020607
THURSDAYS - 1 ST EACH MONTH	P&C MEETING IN THE LIBRARY FROM 7.00 PM – ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND
THURSDAYS FORTNIGHTLY	FRASER FOCUS SENT HOME WITH THE <i>ELDEST</i> CHILD IN THE FAMILY. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD’S CLASS TEACHER OR THE FRONT OFFICE STAFF IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A COPY OF THE FOCUS EACH PUBLIC SERVICE PAY DAY.
FRIDAYS FORTNIGHTLY	ASSEMBLY WILL BE HELD IN THE SCHOOL HALL ON FRIDAYS AT 9.15 AM Weeks 3, 5, 6, 7 and 10
Friday 30 June	Year 5/6 Assembly Canteen Disco - “Gold Fever” Kindergarten–Year 2: 7.00 pm – 6.45 pm Year 3–Year 6: 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm
Thursday 5 June	P&C Meeting in the Library from 7.00 pm Canteen Special Lunch
Friday 6 June	Year 3/4 Assembly at 9.15 am
Monday 9 June	Queen’s Birthday – Public Holiday
Thursday 12 June	Writing and Spelling Competition
Friday 13 June	Kindergarten Assembly – 9.15 am

CANTEEN ROSTER

The Canteen Telephone Number is **620 57876**
Canteen Hours **8.45 am – 1.45 pm**



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2/6/08 Ann Law	3/6/08 Debbie Govier	4/6/08 Michael Stevenson	5/6/08 Brenda Young Elena Grigorieva	6/6/08 Jaky Troy Brooke Dring Courtney Wilson
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9/6/08 Fiona McKenzie	10/6/08 Lin Staff	11/6/08 Michael Stevenson	12/6/08 Brenda Young Chantal Haycraft	13/6/08 Jaky Troy Cait Woodbridge Alison Davidson

MERIT AWARDS

The following children will be receiving awards for great work and behaviour at the Year 3/4 Assembly on Friday 6 June at 9.15 am

Nick D, Kaitlyn B, Casey B, Brianna H, Abigail P, Tayla K, Isabelle R, Celina R, Jiayi M, Daniel O, Stirling G, Keira J, Eden R, Brooke F, Jarrah W, Zac B, Kyle S, Emily D, Matthew M, Rebecca T, Ben W, Olivia H, Erin K, Nathan R, Matthew DT, Sam E, Jemima K, Hannan C, Liz L, Hannah B, Ezra R, Brock B, Dylan K

MERIT AWARDS

The following children will be receiving awards for great work and behaviour at the Kindergarten Assembly on Friday 13 June at 9.15 am

Jack B, Aisha S, Mikeely S, Holli MP, Nicholas C, Vidya S, Kayla M, Nicola O, Bethany C, Codie H. Cassandra R, Joe MP, Madison B, Ciatlyn F, Jackson S, Ella W, Tyler R, Charlie M, Dakota H, Jack D, Dylan K, Taylor O, Jayden B, Lara S, Phillip B, Bradley O, Sita S, Hayley R, Jaxon B, Nicky T, Michael M, Naomi K, Darcy D, Natalie C, Breanna C, Jeremy K

SCHOOL BLUES AWARDS

School Blues are awarded to recognise students who have demonstrated school spirit and actively promote citizenship at Fraser Primary. Congratulations to the following students who were awarded School Blues at the assembly on Friday 16 May.

Jaeden K, Mycle S, Sterling G, Keira J, Celina R, Ben W, Sara H, Brock B

2009 PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Preschool enrolments for 2009 commenced on 1 May 2008 at the front office.

To complete an enrolment you will require:

- Proof of date of birth (birth certificate or passport)
- Proof of residential address e.g. a utility bill.

The Round One cut off date will be Friday 20 June.



LITERACY – When reading

- Allow your child to select the text to be read and discuss the reasons for the selection.

- Encourage your child to look through the book and predict what it might be about.
- Point out the author's name and encourage your child to read other books by the same author, if they appeal.
- If you are reading a book as a serial, talk about what has happened so far in the story.

NUMERACY

- Look for objects inside or outside that are shaped like a circle, triangle, square or rectangle. Look for different sized shapes and shapes in different positions.
- Fold paper to make a hat, boat or aeroplane. Talk about the shapes you are making.
- Make your own jigsaw from a picture in a magazine.

CHESS COMPETITION

On Wednesday 21 May 13 students from Fraser Primary participated in the Belconnen Zone Open Primary Schools Chess Competition. They formed three teams: the Smashers, the Knights and the Rookies. All three teams had some good wins during the day, with the Smashers performing particularly well and qualifying for the ACT Junior Chess League Finals on June 27. The best players on the day were Josh W scoring 6 out of 7 for the Smashers, Isaac M scoring 4.5 out of 7 for the Knights and Charlie SG scoring 4 out of 6 for the Rookies. Thanks to the three team captains Josh W, Molly M and Caitlin K. Good luck to the Smashers for the finals.

Jennie Nicholson

Special thanks to all the children for their cooperation, team spirit and behaviour. Many thanks to the parents who assisted with transport on the day Peter McCook, Jennie Nicholson, Michelle Powderly and Andrew Walker. Thanks also to Jennie Nicholson and Peter McCook with their valued assistance with team organisation.

Melinda Lee

CANTEEN NEWS

Don't forget this Friday 30 May the Canteen Committee will be holding this term's disco. The theme will be "Gold Fever". Come dressed up if you like or just join us and have fun as you are. Cost of entry will be \$2.50.

Sessions times are:

Kindergarten – Year 2 - 5.30pm until 6.45pm

Year 3 – Year 6 - 7.00pm until 8.30pm

Please ensure that your child is collected from the hall foyer at the end of their session. Anyone wishing to volunteer to help in the Canteen should ring Kerri on 62057876. We hope everyone has a great night.

Next Thursday 5 June is a special lunch. Notes for the special lunch will need to be returned to the Canteen with money by Tuesday 3 June. If you have not received a note please see me in the Canteen.

Soup

Week 7 – Minestrone

Week 8 – Cream of Chicken

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Well done Fraser Primary School students, parents/carers and teachers for raising \$557.00 on our Crazy Hair and Wig Day on Thursday 22 May. It was fun to see all of the students sharing not only their crazy hair but the recess time together as a whole school.

This donation is a fantastic contribution to the Cancer Council to assist with the wonderful work that they do.

A big thank you to Rhiannon Upson and Michelle Tilley (Intern Teachers) for organising such a successful event.

Sue-Ellen Turk

CHANGES TO EMERGENCY CONTACT

DETAILS

Please contact the front office on 620 57866 with any changes to telephone number(s) which may have taken place during the school year. Your assistance in keeping the school up to date with these changes will ensure that staff are able to contact you quickly if your child is sick or injured at school.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Community News is printed as a community service. Fraser Primary School takes no responsibility for the accuracy of the information published. Enquiries should be made directly to the organisations listed.

DEATH CAP MUSHROOMS

ACT Health is reminding children and their families to steer clear of the world's most deadly mushroom – the Death Cap. This mushroom is commonly found in the ACT in autumn, growing near established oak trees and possibly some other trees. It can be found in public places, such as parks, as well as in backyards. All parts of the mushroom are poisonous and eating just one mushroom can be fatal.

The fully-grown Death Cap Mushroom cap is silky smooth, and its colour varies from white to greenish-brown. The gills are white – unlike the pink or brown gills of the common field mushroom. The stem is white to pale yellow-green. High on the stem is a skirt-like white ring, which is sometimes missing. The bottom of the stem emerges from a white cup, which is partly buried in the soil. The small button Death Cap can be difficult to distinguish from an edible mushroom.

For more information please contact the Health Protection Service on 620 51700. An information sheet on Death Cap Mushrooms is available on the ACT Health website and can be accessed at www.health.act.gov.au/publications under the title "Death Cap Mushrooms"

REVISED TRANSBORDER SCHOOL BUS TIMETABLE FROM 10 JUNE 2008

As from 10 June there will be timetable changes to the Fraser School bus from Yass, Barton Highway, Murrumbateman, Nanima District, Spring Range Road, Wallaroo and Hall. An extra bus has been provided from the Hall Interchange to Canberra to accommodate more students.

Morning route name and arrival time at school		Afternoon route name and departure from school	
Echidna	8.28 am	Platypus	3.22 pm

More information may be obtained from

www.transborder.com.au or by telephoning 62410033.

BRAGGS SCHOOL AND SPORTSWEAR

Braggs School and Sportswear (retail) is having a 40% off closing down sale on all school, dance and sports uniforms. The sale also includes runners, school shoes, football boots, Sales starts on Saturday 24 May. Braggs is located in the old servo building behind the post office in Onslow Street, Latham. Ring 62543550 for more information.