

# FORREST PRIMARY SCHOOL AND EARLY YEARS CENTRE NEWSLETTER



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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

### STAFFING UPDATE

As per the letter to parents last week, Alison Matthews will be returning to Forrest P.S at the start of Term Three to teach the Year 3-6 class. The students in the Senior Room who know Alison were very excited about this announcement. We are thrilled to welcome Alison back to Forrest and I am sure the whole school community will make her feel welcome.

Allira Kliver has also been successful in obtaining her first classroom teaching role at St. Brendan's

Catholic Primary School. A huge congratulations to Allira as this is a significant achievement in her career. Allira will be back at Forrest next week and then commencing at St. Brendan's in Term Three.

### PLAYGROUND

Over the school holidays, a new Climbing Cube will be installed in our playground. Students at Forrest had significant input in

the selection of this exciting new addition to our playground and I am sure that they will love playing and climbing on it from Term Three.

### LAST DAY OF TERM

A reminder that the last day of Term Two is Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of June. School finishes at **2.30pm** on this day.

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to Sion Roberts for winning last week's Principal's Award. Sion will be joining myself and other Principal's Award winners for morning tea at the end of the term.



### 2022 PREP ENROLMENTS

We are currently taking Prep enrolments for 2022. If you have any children who are commencing Prep next year, please see Sarah in the office to complete enrolment forms.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### JUNE

- 15 Art (MACC Visit)
- 22 Library (MARC Visit)
- 23 School Council Meeting at 3.45pm
- 23-25 Camp-Roses Gap Yrs. 3 & 6 TBC
- 25 Last Day -term 2 2.30pm finish

### JULY

- 12 Term 3 Begins
- 13 Art (MACC Visit)
- 14 Jump Off - JR4H
- 12-16 Barwon Dental Van Visit
- 20 Library (MARC Visit)
- 27 Art (MACC Visit)



Birthday Greetings for:

Ella Welch-Mayhew – 19<sup>th</sup> June

Abigail Pakula – 23<sup>rd</sup> June

### HELPING HANDS

- ✓ POPPY FOR MAKING PANCAKES FOR ANOTHER STUDENT
- ✓ JASMINE FOR HELPING WITH THE MULCH



### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

**Learning effort:** Willa Corkran for the excellent work in all our sounds-write sessions. Willa is sounding out and reading lots of three letter words! Top effort Willa!

**Learning behaviour:** Annalee Seebeck for her continued efforts to work hard and try her best in all areas of school. Your efforts are paying off!

**Learning effort:** Jaxon Kurzman for his increased participation in class discussion and sharing his learning and ideas. Well done Jaxon, keep it up.

**Learning behaviour:** Fox Bartlett for continuing to work hard all areas of the curriculum and joining in with our class activities. Great effort Fox.

Barwon Health Mobile Dental Van is visiting Forrest in the week of 12 – 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

Please return any 'Consent to dental examination' forms by Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

Thank You



REFLECTION: Darryl Harty thanked his family and colleagues for their support and plans to take on relief teaching and volunteer work in his retirement.

## Dedicated principal reflects on career

**BY NICOLE SHAWING**  
Forrest Primary School's dedicated principal is retiring after a 42-year commitment to education.  
Forrest Primary School Principal Darryl Harty has reflected on his time in education and still remembers his first day as a teacher in regional Victoria.  
"I had these 10 kids on my own and the only person I saw from 08:30 until 2:30 was the lady dropping the mail off," he said.  
Mr Harty said his grandmother and two of his Colac High School teachers inspired him to pursue education.  
"My Colac High School teachers, Mr Whelan and Mr Jackson inspired me because they went that extra yard so that I understood what they were teaching," he said.  
His grandmother lived with him while he was still contemplating a career path.  
"She would sit with me with a cuppa and would talk to me about her teaching stories, and that inspired me," Mr Harty said.  
He said one of the standout moments of his career was a 12-month trip to the US in 2002 with his family.  
"I was fortunate enough to be selected for an international teaching fellowship, my wife and three young boys at the time travelled to Minneapolis, Minnesota and spent twelve months in the US," he said.  
"It allowed me to appreciate Australia more, in both the climate and the lifestyle."  
Mr Harty taught in 13 schools and was a principal at four of them during his time in education.  
He said his plan was to finish his career at Forrest Primary School, and he spent an extra two years at the school than what he initially planned.  
"I loved making really good, strong community connections with all of the different groups that are in the Forrest community," Mr Harty said.  
"It's a vibrant community, it's a community that is active, they place a lot of importance on the school, kindergarten and finance that's spreading here, and they're supportive and passionate about it," he said.  
"Teaching is all about telling a story, when I go into the classroom here in Forrest, my challenge is to leave all worries behind in the office and focus on the kids," he said.  
"There have been challenges along the way and I've really appreciated the support I've received from my family and my work colleagues," Mr Harty said.  
He said he appreciated the commitment of the staff and their success at Forrest Primary School, adapting to COVID-19 restrictions, being able to be flexible and working as a team to help the students.  
Mr Harty will take long-service leave for interstate travel before he returns to Forrest and officially retires in September after 42 years in education.  
Mr Harty said he would like to travel to parts of Australia he had suggested.  
"I've never been to Western Australia, the Northern Territory or the outback in Queensland the lot," he said.  
Mr Harty plans to take on relief teaching and volunteer work in his retirement so he can continue to be an active member in the community.

### INDO CORNER:

Ojek is a model of two-wheeled public transportation that is in the form a motorcycle or bicycle. The ojek is a type of public transportation that is not recognized by the government but still allowed because of the needs and demands of society. The development of motorcycle taxis is also very rapid, formerly a motorcycle taxi could only be found in motorbikes temporarily passing on the highway, but now in big cities, there are already some online services for this transport. The advantages of motorcycle taxis from other public transportation are motorcycles that can pass through traffic jams and can also reach small streets or alleys that basically cannot be bypassed by other types of public transport.