

# FORREST PRIMARY SCHOOL AND EARLY YEARS CENTRE NEWSLETTER



LEARNING FOR LIFE

FORREST PRIMARY SCHOOL AND EARLY YEARS CENTRE IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT AND HAS A ZERO TOLERANCE OF BULLYING.

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

### PRINCIPAL RETIREMENT

For the last 12 months, I have been in discussions with the Department of Education in regards to the timing of my retirement from the principal position at Forrest PS & EYC. I have decided to take the remainder of my accumulated long service entitlements before retiring this year. Long service leave will commence on June 5<sup>th</sup> and I am planning to retire on September 17<sup>th</sup>. DET will commence working on my replacement and the Forrest Community will be informed as soon as the appointment is known. More details will be shared with school council over coming months. Thanking you for your support over the last 7 years.

### JUMP UP COUNTRY

Pete Day (Environmental Artist) begins his art visits on Wednesday afternoon with our students. His work will consist of an art practice which involves collaboration with communities, discussing and researching environmental themes and conservation. The process with sculpture-making with guidance from Peter acts

as a bridge to connect and inform the students about our local ecology, flora, fauna and habitat, while redefining the notion of public art to land art with a specific purpose. Our first session on Wednesday will be an artist introduction, habitat talk and intro to making.

### SPORTS REPORT

All our students competing at the annual Polwarth Sports last Thursday are to be congratulated on their efforts and wonderful attitude. At my event (Long Distance Run), it was great to see all our students demonstrating perseverance and even some smiling glimpses as they passed the finished line. Well done.

School Placings were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Birregurra
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Deans Marsh
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Alvie
- 4<sup>th</sup> FORREST
- 5<sup>th</sup> Carlisle River
- 6<sup>th</sup> Beeac

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### MARCH

- 15 School Council Meeting @5.30pm
- 16 Library (MARC Visit)
- 23 Art (MACC Visit)
- 29 Excursion to Camperdown
- 30 Library (MARC Visit)

### APRIL

- 1 End of Term 1 2.30pm Finish
- 2 Good Friday Easter Holidays
- 19 First Day of term 2
- 23 Cross Country at DM – Senior Students only

### MAY

- 5 School/EYC Photo Day
- 11-21 Naplan Testing
- 17 School Council Meeting



Students of the Week

Congratulations to Ella Welch Mayhew who has been selected to compete at the Divisional Athletics Sports on Friday March 26<sup>th</sup> in four events. Well done Ella.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The March meeting of School Council is planned for today (Monday March 15<sup>th</sup>) beginning at 5.30pm in the Senior Classroom.

Hope you enjoy the upcoming week.

Darryl Harty

### NETBALL SIGN UP

Thursday 18th March 2021

5pm -6pm Birregurra Recreation Reserve

Netball Rooms

Registration night for

Net Set Go (prep-grade 2)

Friday night U9 (grade 2/3 preference given to grade 3 kids) Friday night U11 (grade 4/5) Any questions contact Desma 0428523393



### HELPING HANDS

- ✓ JOHN FOR HELPING PACK UP THE SPORTS EQUIPMENT.
- ✓ WILLA FOR HELPING BRING THE WHEELIE BINS IN FROM THE ROADSIDE.



This week we are doing a drawing competition

1:30 till 1:55pm in the multi-purpose room.

Come and enjoy yourself.

Please note that this is going to be held over 2 weeks.

Ella and Elise



Birthday Greetings for:

Aurora Bradshaw – 9<sup>th</sup> March

Willa Corkran – 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Fox Bartlett – 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Fun Friday Colouring Competition



### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Learning effort: **Chelsea Davidson** for her persistent effort in her math work, especially with place value. Well done Chelsea!

Learning behaviour: **Poppy Schuhmann** for her organisation of the Fun Friday colouring activity. It was a big success, well done Poppy!

Learning effort: **Stella Davidson** for her amazing efforts in the sounds-write session. Stella is quickly learning to sound out letters and read works. Keep up the excellent work Stella!

Learning behaviour: **Olivia Melnyk** for her wonderful attitude throughout the training and on the Sports Day. Olivia has been encouraging to her classmates and showed excellent listening skills. Well done Olivia!

### INDO CORNER:

Anoa: often described as a midget buffalo, Anoa's physique resembles a scaled-down water buffalo, with a hint of a deer in its appearance. Different species of Anoa live in the mountains and lowland, typically in lush rainforests in Sulawesi, Indonesia. With two sharp backward-facing horns, the world's smallest buffalo is a fascinating creature to observe. Unfortunately, locals are increasingly hunting Anoas for their meat, pushing them onto the dreaded endangered list.



COMMUNITY NEWS

# Otways MARC Library

Ms Mac is on the road and will be at Forrest P.S every second Tuesday.

Students can borrow books from the Library Van. Loans are for two weeks but they can be extended.

**Term 1 Borrowing Dates  
Tuesday**



**February 16, March 2  
March 16, March 30**

*"Today a reader, tomorrow  
a leader."*

Margaret Fuller



Built, Biological, Behavioural

## Introduction to Permaculture

Fri 6-9pm March 26, 27 & 28th 2021  
Sat & Sun 9-4  
Forrest Neighbourhood House

Thanks to generous sponsors this course costs from  
\$50 - \$120 see booking info for various pricing  
Bookings: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/introduction-to-permaculture-tickets-139805180057>



### COLAC SWIMMING CLUB AUTUMN/WINTER TRAINING SESSIONS Bluewater Indoor Swimming Pool

\* Junior Squad (Grades 2-6)

\* Senior Squad Training (Years 7-12)

Monday & Wednesday 6pm-7pm (Junior & Senior)

Tuesday 5.45am-7.15am (Senior Squad)

≥ Saturday 8am-9am (Junior & Senior)

The Colac Swimming Club is a family friendly club

There is no expectation to participate in competitions. You are welcome to simply come and train



For more information, please contact  
Jeremy Barren at [colacswimclub@gmail.com](mailto:colacswimclub@gmail.com)



# COLAC OTWAY BULLA UNDER 12'S

**REGISTER NOW**

*Grade 4, 5 & 6 Boys & Girls  
Friday Nights from 23rd April to 25th June  
Games at 5pm, 6pm or 7pm  
\$65 per child*

# ★ FORREST ★ OPEN AIR ★ CINEMA

**Saturday 20th March @ the Forrest Common  
-Station St.**

**FREE Family friendly movies showing at  
3pm and 5pm (movies TBA).  
BYO picnic rugs, chairs etc.**

IN LINE WITH OUR COVID SAFE PLAN, ALL TICKETS MUST BE REGISTERED THROUGH EVENTBRITE :  
WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM.AU/E/FORREST-OPEN-AIR-CINEMA-TICKETS-142606633279

-Drinks and snacks available

**SMOKE,  
ALCOHOL &  
DRUG FREE  
EVENT!**

Your chance to WIN a \$50 Gift Card\*

# Out My Window

## SMALL CANVAS ART COMPETITION

**ENTRIES OPEN 17 FEB - 17 MARCH 2021 or 'til canvases run out**

WHAT IS OUT YOUR WINDOW? Paint, draw, paste or craft onto the free canvas supplied and enter the Studio Forrest 'Out My Window' small canvas art competition. Entries will be displayed in the new Studio Forrest Window Space and participating venues in Forrest during the Colac Otway Arts Trail. Contact us for a registration form and FREE canvas.  
F&DNH: Community Hub, 47 Grant Street, Forrest EMAIL: [forrestartspace@gmail.com](mailto:forrestartspace@gmail.com) PHONE 0422 585 227  
\*Winners selected in the 3 categories. Under 12, Open and Seniors. Choice will receive a \$50 Gift Card. Artwork must be on supplied canvas.

