



Education

Upcoming Events.....

2018

Term 3

Week 10

Thurs 27 Sep

Year 1/2
Questacon
Incursion

Fri 28 Sep

Last Day
Term 3

**SAUSAGE
SIZZLE**

Happy
Holidays!

Term 4

Week 1

Sun 21 Oct

Laura Jean
Family
Photo
Fundraiser

Week 2

Mon 22 Oct

to Fri 2 Nov
PIPS Kindy

Wed 24 Oct

Assembly
Hosted by
Year 5/6
1:50pm

Week 3

Tues 30 Oct

P & C
Meeting
7:15pm



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TERM 3 WEEK 10

27 SEPTEMBER 2018

Principal's Message...

Dear Parents and Carers

Learning Journey was a great morning and very well attended yesterday morning. I would like to thank all our families, students and staff for taking the time to share student work and the great learning that has been happening across the school. Thank you also to the year 5 and year 6 bands as well as the school choir for their performances. Both staff and students give considerable extra time to prepare for these performances. Well done!

Florey's Got Talent – we most certainly do! Congratulations Aria, Jaxon, Chloe, Eliza, Heidi, Eyerus, Jonas, Alyssa, Eliza, Joshua, Brendon, Jasmine, Chloe and Declan for making it to the finals and entertaining the whole school with your great talents. Congratulations also to the many students who tried out for our talent quest. It is great to see everyone stretching their experiences by participating in these events. Our thanks go to the SRC and Mr Volmari for all their work in organising the event.

Year 1 and 2 enjoyed a performance by Questacon as part of their science unit on push and pull. Lots of fun and laughter accompanied the learning.

Year 5 and 6 have been very busy over the past two weeks. The Tombola fundraiser raised just over \$1000 dollars that will be used to support the year 6 gift to the school and graduation.

'Camp was awesome!' – at least that is what the students have told me. Reports from staff indicate that our year 5/6 students have represented our school in an exemplary manner, using our schools' expectations of being safe, being respectful and being learners. Thank you to our students and to the wonderful year 5/6 staff who attended the camp.

The ACT 12 and Under Track and Field event was held last Tuesday. Congratulations to all students who reached this level and to Csongor who was offered a position to compete as part of the ACT Team in Melbourne.

In 2019 we will be introducing a small group learning area. This will be placed in what is currently the music room. The music room will move into the Indonesian room and Indonesian will be taught in the classrooms. The small group learning area will allow the school to support students with learning needs through a reverse integration program. You will see a lot of building upgrades occurring as the spaces are prepared for their new roles.

We finally found the leak! The front of the school has been a mess over the past six weeks as we have been searching for a leak that was starting to seep underneath the buildings. The area has now been repaired and reseeded. The fences will remain in place until the area has recovered.

'Great Gatsby!', we can't let the students have all the fun. The annual P&C Trivia Night was a huge success with nine tables of gangsters, flappers and just well dressed 1920's trivia minds who worked together to solve the trivia of the evening. Thank you, Lou and Rachelle, for your fantastic work organising such a big event. Our community has been very generous buying raffle tickets, giving up their time and joining in on the night. All proceeds will go towards a cooling system for the hall.

This Friday 28 September is the last day of term 3. The school will be closed for two weeks, opening again on Monday 15 October. I wish all students and families a safe, relaxing and happy holiday.

Felicity

Preschool News...

The preschool children have been participating in a dance program that has been running for five weeks. In this program the children have had opportunities to learn about honey bees. They have explored the life cycle of a bee through pictures, discussions, music and movement. The children are excited to showcase their learning in a performance which is being presented to their loved ones this week!

As we are lucky to have so many beautiful trees blossoming in and around our preschool, the topic of Seasons has come up again in children's play and conversations. We have explored the elements of spring and have been producing a range of creative artworks that capture the beautiful wattle, cherry blossoms and bulbs that are blooming around Canberra.

We wish our Florey families a happy and safe school break and we will see you again in term 4!

Bibby Cottage News...

What a busy time it has been in kindergarten this term. We have made some amazing progress with our reading and our writing. We have been learning about different features of a narrative, such as characters and settings. We have all become authors and illustrators by publishing our own class books.

We really enjoyed having the police visit our unit earlier this term and learned a lot about what the police do to keep us safe.

In the last couple of weeks, we have been implementing a new recycling initiative by learning about what the different coloured bins do. We now put soft plastics, such as chip wrappers, snap lock bags and muesli bar wrappers in our purple bin. Please check your emails for a notice about Waste Free Wednesdays that we will be doing from term 4.

Have a great holiday! We're really looking forward to some great learning in term 4.

The Kindergarten Team (KFA, KAH, KEA)

Twelvetrees and Summerville News...

Year 3/4 have been completing Information Reports on animals from neighbouring countries. It has been wonderful reading about all the animal facts.

They have also been looking at erosion and how particular landmarks have been formed. Some landmarks looked at include the Twelve Apostles, the Three Sisters and Wave Rock.

Students have been exploring multiplication, division, temperature, perimeter, area, volume and capacity during mathematic sessions.

The 3/4 team wish all families a wonderful break.



EAL/D News...

We hope all parents took the opportunity of visiting their child's classroom for the Learning Journey yesterday. It is powerful for the student to explain in their own words the goals, progress and reflection of learning activities. You can even talk about the learning activities in your home language!

Some of our students have been enjoying Vinnies Club every Thursday lunchtime, spending time with volunteers doing activities to support their sense of belonging at school.



Term 4 will see teachers preparing a student report to describe learning progress in Semester 2. We would like to remind parents that Florey PS supports you to access interpreter services if you would like to use your home language when having a parent-teacher interview. We are available to arrange over-the-phone interpreting service, just let us know. For more information visit <https://www.tisnational.gov.au/>.

Sue and Bronwyn

Student Celebrations...

Congratulations to Laura D in 1/2EC for graduating from Kingswim Macgregor..

Laura has been swimming at Kingswim for 5 years. As a graduate, Laura can swim 1000m of continuous Freestyle, is competent in all 4 strokes, has completed Kingswim Swim and Survive components and thus has graduated from the Kingswim's Swim like a Fish program.



Snack Shack News...

Save Time! Order Online! - www.flexischools.com.au
NEW Canteen Phone number 6142 2746

Please remember that the canteen is closed on Friday 28 September 2018 except for the sausage sizzle which was a pre order event.

Important Florey Primary School Update

Our contact details have changed.....
 We have a new telephone number:

6142 2730

And we no longer have a fax number

Please update your records to reflect this change

Is your child interested in learning how to play guitar?

We hold group guitar lessons every Tuesday in the multipurpose room. Classes run from 11:30am to 12pm for yr 1-3, 12:15pm to 12:45pm for yr 4-6.

Visit our website, www.fretvisionschools.com, to book a free trial lesson

A School Crossing Supervisor Program has been introduced in the ACT at 20 crossings. School crossing supervisors (lollipop people) assist children to cross roads safely by directing traffic with a stop sign and providing instructions to students.

To help determine if the Program is successful, Transport Canberra and City Services have engaged First Person Consulting to evaluate the School Crossing Supervisor Program. One of the ways that they will be doing this is through surveys to help capture attitudes to children travelling actively (i.e. walking or riding) to primary school.

To complete the survey please click [here](https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4535361/School-Crossing-Supervisor-Survey-Sept18), or copy and paste the following link into your browser:

<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4535361/School-Crossing-Supervisor-Survey-Sept18>

The survey should take about five minutes. The survey will not collect any identifiable information, and all responses will be kept confidential. You may have completed a similar survey at the start of the year. Please note that this is a follow up survey and we would appreciate your input again.

Thank you in advance for your time in completing this survey.

If you have any questions please contact the [TCCS Schools Program](#).

