



Education

## Upcoming Events.....

2018

Term 4

Week 9

Fri 14 Dec

PBL End of Semester Celebrations

Reports Go Home

Week 10

Mon 17 Dec

Kindergarten Fun Day (9:15am - 1:00pm)

Tue 18 Dec

Year 3/4 Movie Fun Day (9:15am - 2:30pm)

Wed 19 Dec

Year 6 Graduation

Year 1/2 Fun Day (9:15am - 2:00pm)

Kindergarten Waste Free Day

Thur 20 Dec

Year 5/6 Fun Day (10:30am - 2:30pm)

Fri 21 Dec

Final School Assembly

Last Day Term 4



# Florey Primary School Newsletter

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TERM 4 WEEK 9

13 DECEMBER 2018

## Principal's Message...

Dear Parents and Carers

As we move towards the end of the 2018 school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your support as part of our community, working together to enable the best possible outcomes for all students. I would particularly like to thank the hardworking members of the P&C executive and the school board. Your ongoing work and support enable the school to continue to improve and grow. Thank you also to the many volunteers who have given time throughout the year to support our school, students and canteen.

I would also like to thank our students for their enthusiasm, engagement and continued striving to be safe and respectful learners. Our Positive Behaviours for Learning have made a difference across the school with 98% of students being able to demonstrate our schools' expectations. Well done!

Finally, I would like to thank our staff. All staff from front office, through learning support assistance, teachers, executive and our building service officer. Our staff do a wonderful job ensuring that teaching and learning is happening, and our students are continuing to grow as learners. Our support staff work hard to ensure everything else is happening across the school so that teachers can concentrate on the core business of education.

As always there is movement happening at the end of the year as we farewell some staff and welcome new staff into the school.

The following staff will be taking leave for 2019:

Alys Humphrey is taking maternity leave  
Kate Yensch is taking maternity leave

The following staff will be leaving the school at the end of this year:

- Aaron Foy is moving to Giralang Primary school
- Mark Robson is moving to Forrest Primary School
- Helen Crane is moving to Charles Weston Primary School
- David Kemp is moving to Chapman Primary School
- Shelly Murdoch is moving to Charnwood Dunlop Primary School
- Bronwyn Singh is moving to Amaroo School

While we are sorry to see these excellent teachers leave our school, it is pleasing to see that staff from our school are being sort after by other schools.

We will be welcoming the following new teachers and returning teachers:

- Mariam Hijaz (SLC) from Harrison School
- Katie Slater from Kingsford Smith school
- Chelsea Watson from Amaroo school
- Melody Edwards a new educator
- Amelia Cheney a new educator
- Judy Forsyth from Kingsford Smith School
- Jack Lewis is returning from leave
- Deb Bultitude is returning from maternity leave
- Catherine Dempster a new educator

Wishing each and everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Felicity



## Preschool News...

This term the preschoolers have enjoyed many visits to the primary school. These have included gross motor games in the hall, listening to stories in the library and of course the kindergarten transition visits.

The preschoolers spent time in the classrooms listening to stories and practising their drawing and writing skills.

We also found out where our bags belong, where the toilets are situated and had a play on the kindergarten equipment. These experiences will assist the children in becoming familiar with the primary school environment.

The feedback we received from the current kindergarten teachers was very positive.

So, as we come to the end of our preschool year, we have reflected on how much we have enjoyed being part of your child's learning journey. We wish all our families the very best for 2019!

## Kidd and Neumann Cottage News...

We have had a busy time in preparation for our end of year celebrations. The 1/2 students did a fantastic job with singing and dancing to present our concert items last week. We have continued to think critically about different sources of information and students have collaborated in groups to investigate creatures in our environment. Students have observed and researched snails, asking questions about their features, diet and habitat. We continue to do this respectfully and carefully so that we do not harm these interesting creatures. Students have recorded their observations and shared interesting facts in class discussions. We will finish our final IExCel cycle for the year with a mathematics focus on multiplication and division. We have used our Social and Emotional sessions (SEL) to explore what being respectful means and how to do this when working in group situations outside the classroom. Students are excited for our upcoming Fun day and the last day for notes to come in is MONDAY 17 December. Thanks to those who have already sent these in! Please ensure students have packed plenty of food for energy, sunsmart hat and a water bottle to stay cool for learning.

Best wishes and thanks

1/2 Team

## Twelvetrees and Summerville News...

Last week, students in 3/4 became ROCKSTARS at our end of year concert, which was held here at Florey Primary School's semi circle. Together, we rocked out to the song 'the Komodo hunts tonight' and 'the times three multiplication song'. Together, as a unit, we came up with props and dance movements to add to our performance. We practised daily for 2 weeks and the outcome was perfect. Well done students in year 3 and 4!

During Mathematics, we have become confident problem solvers! We have been analysing real world mathematical word problems in detail. Using the information provided, we choose an appropriate strategy to calculate and solve it. Some students have even used two strategies to check their answer.

Year 3/4 have been using their creative talents to create awesome pieces of visual artworks. Some of the artwork is hanging up in the corridors of the school. We have been focusing on the Elements of Art and have been producing pieces that represent each element.

3/4 Team

## EAL/D News...

It's getting warmer so please remember a sun smart hat, with name inside, and a water bottle every day!

There will be new students visiting the school before the end of the year. I'm sure you recall how being new can feel so please make time to say hello if you see the parents or students at school.

There are excursions planned for end of year fun days. Please return all notes and ensure that bags are packed appropriately for the excursion days.

All library and reading books should be returned to the school. Please make sure they are all sent back this week.

The end of year reports can be difficult for new parents to understand. EAL/D students need time to acquire the English language and this should be considered when reading the report. Please make a time to discuss the report with an EAL/D teacher or your class teacher before the end of the year.

Congratulations to all students on their achievements this year.

We hope that you have a safe and happy holiday.

Adam, Sue and Bronwyn



## Snack Shack News...

Save Time! Order Online! - [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

**NEW** Canteen Phone number 6142 2746

Hello everyone

We would like to say an enormous thank you to everyone who bought a sausage at the concert night last week! The canteen committee would like to whole heartedly thank the parent volunteers and staff for all of their help and support on the night, we couldn't have done it without you!. The concert was a lovely way for the school community to get together and the canteen was very happy to be a part of it. Cheers everyone!

One more week to go! We have been trying our best to fill lunch orders without having to substitute items. The slushy will be unavailable from Friday, however frozen juice cups and frozen yoghurt will still be available.

We will be holding an end of term sausage sizzle on the last day of term 4. Notes have been sent home, and are available on the school website. We **WILL NOT BE OFFERING CHICKEN SAUSAGES** for this event unfortunately. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. Please remember to return your order forms no later than **WEDNESDAY 19 DECEMBER**. No other items will be available for purchase on the last day of term, this includes recess and fruit break.

Thank you to everyone who generously donated their time to help us out in the canteen this year. We hope you all have a wonderful break, and we look forward to seeing you in 2019.

Please consider giving a little of your time to help out in the canteen. We are one of only a small number of canteens that operate 5 days a week, with a very varied menu. We love what we do and we love meeting new people! Please contact Lisa on 0434 054 743 if you would like to help.

Our menu is available on the school website [www.floreypts.act.edu.au](http://www.floreypts.act.edu.au). Look for the canteen under the "Our Community" tab. The canteen is open 5 days a week for recess and lunch. We use [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) for our online ordering component and we also accept cash payments at the counter.

### Canteen volunteer roster

#### Parent Roster Term 4

#### WEEK 10

17/12/2018 to 21/12/2018

#### Monday 17/12/2018

AM - TANIA

#### Tuesday 18/12/2018

AM - CRYSTAL

PM - CRYSTAL

#### Wednesday 19/12/2018

AM - **VOLUNTEER WELCOME**

PM - KELLIE

#### Thursday 20/12/2018

AM - CHRIS

PM - **VOLUNTEER WELCOME**

#### Friday 21/12/2018

**CLOSED SAUSAGE SIZZLE**



## Uniform Shop News...

The uniform shop is opened every Wednesday morning from 8:45am to 9:45am.

New and second hand uniforms are sold.

Donations of second hand uniforms are always welcome.

The uniform shop will be opened in preparation for 2019  
on **Wednesday 30 January 2019** from **10:00am to 12:30pm**.

The uniform shop will be closed on **Wednesday 12 December 2018** (week 9) for stocktake and **Wednesday 19 December 2018** (week 10) .

The location of the uniform shop is in the hall.

Krisztina Thurzo

Uniform Shop Coordinator



**Bushfire Notice...**

**Did you know that taking 20 minutes to chat about your family’s bushfire survival plan could save their lives as well as your home? Take the Climate Ready quizzes to see how prepared your family is for bushfires, heatwaves, severe storms and droughts. Get informative tips and advice on how you can take action and get prepared for extreme weather events. Complete all four quizzes for a chance to WIN \$1,000. Terms and Conditions apply. Competition closes 31 January 2019. Visit <https://www.environment.act.gov.au> and get Climate Ready today!**

**Expression of interest for in-school music lessons are available for Florey Primary Students.**

**Forms are available from the front office.**



Another Chance op shop will have 50% off throughout the store from Saturday 15 December through to Friday 21 December.

It’s our 25 anniversary; and this is our gift back to the community who have supported us over the years.

Find us at Scullin shops, Ross Smith Crescent, from 10:00am – 1:00pm Saturday and then 10:00am – 4:30pm Monday – Friday.

The store will then close on Friday 21 December and re-open on Tuesday 29 January 2019 (as our wonderful volunteers take a well earned break).

Like us on Facebook for more info.

Another Chance is a project of Mosaic Baptist Church.

