

Fishy News

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Principal's Message

End of term

With the last day of term tomorrow, I would like to acknowledge what a great start we have had to the school year. The effort from the students has been wonderful and it is great to walk around each room and see fantastic teaching and learning going on. I have loved looking in the junior room and seeing all our new prep students so comfortable in their environment. It really is a great school to be a part of.

Just a reminder that **tomorrow is a free dress day**, and we have lots of great activities planned for the kids including making easter bonnets and the drawing of our massive Easter raffle. Thank you to all who have bought tickets and donated items.

At the end of each term, I do like to remind parents and students to stay safe over the holidays. For those going away over the Easter break (I know I am very much looking forward to trying out my new caravan), please drive safely and make sure you take extra breaks on the road.

Yet another reminder that it will be an early finish tomorrow for the last day of term. Students will be dismissed at **2:30** on this day, school returns on **Tuesday the 22nd of April**.

Athletic Sports

Congratulations to the students who competed in the district athletics yesterday at Foster. In all, we had 43 students from grade 3-6 represent our school on the day. I was extremely impressed with the attitude and effort of all students, not just the ones from our school. It was great to see all the schools come together to put on this event. I was also very proud of two of our school leaders in Petra and Margot who did the acknowledgement of country before the event in front of a very large crowd, well done to all involved.

PNF

On Thursday the 24th of April at 9am our Parents and Friends (PnF) will be having their Annual General Meeting. Our PnF do a wonderful job raising much needed funds for our school. Currently, this year they have provided funds for new blinds in the junior building and for new whiteboards for the classrooms. Without their support and funding we simply would not be able to purchase these products. We are currently looking for new members to join our PnF. If you would like any more information please contact the school or come along to the AGM on the 24th. It's a great way to further support the school community.

Thanks Molly

Today we say farewell to Molly Patton as she embarks on her trip around Australia. Molly has only been at our school this term but has already made a substantial impact on the school and has a great relationship with all the students and teachers. We wish her all the best on her travels. Marc Van will be taken by Anda Banikos for the remainder of the year.

Long Service Leave

For the first week back of term 2 (April 22nd to 24th) Miss Shelley will be on Long Service Leave and will be replaced by Mrs Banikos for these 3 days.

Cheers,
Dale



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IMPORTANT DATES

April:

4th - Last day of term 1

Free dress day
Easter Egg Raffle
Drawn
Early finish 2:30pm

School Holidays

22nd - Term 2 begins

24th - PnF AGM 9am

25th - ANZAC Day

May:

**8th - PnF Mother's Day
Event**

19th - Bee Excursion

22nd - Cross-country

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Events needing to be
actioned on COMPASS:

*Grade 6 Leadership
Event*

School Savings Bonus

*Please remember to check
here and COMPASS regularly*

Student of the Week



Welfare Report

In Donna's absence, (She's on leave and heading off to the NT) it seems an opportune gap in the newsletter to include some artwork by the gr 4-6 students in recognition of Harmony Day.

Students completed this mural with Miss Patton and it is on display in the junior building. I'm sure Donna would approve!



Photos from Athletic Sports at Foster yesterday.

Left: Evie, Heidi, Indy, Skye & Pippa enjoying the day.

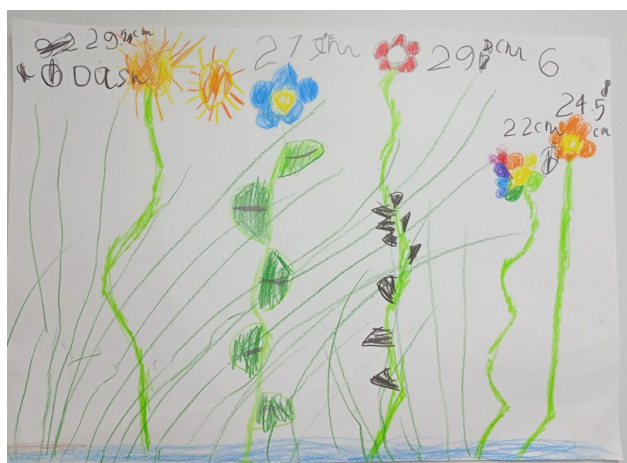
Right: Pippa in action.



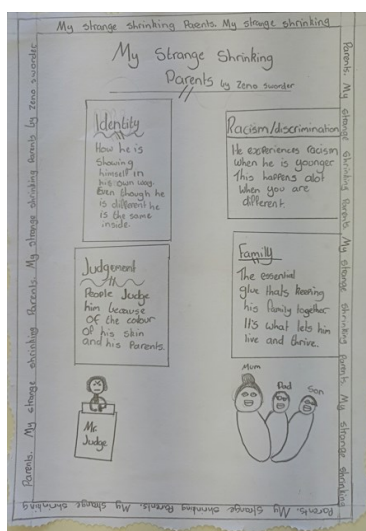
Student work Gr 1/2 Measurement Gardens



Grade 1/2 have started measuring using centimetres. Here are some beautiful gardens Matilda, Sophie, Dash & Frankie created so that they could practice their measuring skills.



Grade 5/6- Harmony Week



Over the past two weeks, Year 5/6 have been studying 'My Strange Shrinking Parents' by Zen Swonder as a way of commemorating and investigating Harmony Week. One of the tasks was to create a piece of artwork that reflects the main themes and ideas in the text. Here are a few masterpieces from (clockwise from left): Blue, Luca, Tweak & Abigail.



It's not too Late!
Please return any raffle tickets by recess tomorrow.

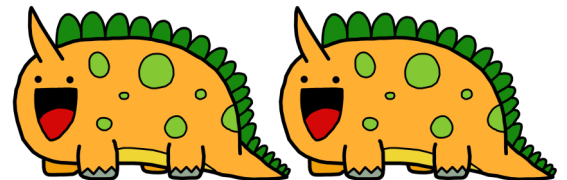
Easter Hamper Raffle
 \$2.00 per ticket
 Drawn Friday 4th April
 Please add your name to each ticket purchased

3/4s Learning About The Past

Today, the year 3/4s spent an hour engaging with Anna Stefani and talking about the 'olden' days when she was a preppie at Fishy Primary. We learnt that students brought a small suitcase to school with their books and lunch in. They didn't have a school uniform then and most of the buildings that we have today were not here.

We looked at a very old camera and telephone and talked about how different they were in those days. Anna showed us her "Dinosaur Google" and asked some students to find Greece and Japan in her encyclopedias. (No instant finds, unlike the Internet!)

One of the best questions Anna was asked was, "When you were in prep, were there still dinosaurs?" Her response was "No, in those days we only had Grandparents!"



PLAY

FOR the KICKS

come find your awesome

FISH CREEK AUSKICK CENTRE
 John Terrill Memorial Park
 Thursday 4pm
 Starting May 1st

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AO holiday programs
 presented by **Weet-Bix**

HIT THE COURT THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Foster Tennis Club
 11th April / 2:30-4:30pm

cardio tennis
 HITS DIFFERENT

HIT YOUR WAY TO FIT

Foster Tennis Club / 11th April / 5:30 - 6:30pm
cardiotennis.com.au

Foster Tennis Club

Friday 11th April
 Kids Holiday Program – 2:30-4:30pm
 \$11.90
 Cardio Tennis – 5:30-6:30pm
 \$11.90

Holiday Program – <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ao-holiday-program-tickets-1296402086539?aff=oddtcreator>
 Cardio - <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ao-holiday-program-cardio-tennis-tickets-1296429769339?aff=oddtcreator>

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH FOSTER LIBRARY:

THURSDAY APRIL 10
 10:30 am
 Super Spinners @ Foster Library

EVERY DAY OF THE HOLIDAYS
 Search and Find activity and craft table.

MONDAY APRIL 14
 10:30 am
 Fabulous Foil Art®
 Foster Library. Make a picture or pattern using our stencils or create your own design.

TUESDAY APRIL 15
 3:30 pm
 Lego Club!
 @ Foster Library

See all Myli school holiday programs: scan QR code below or go to myli.au/april25

WEDNESDAY APRIL 16
 10 am
 Air Dry Clay creator session at Toora Hall.
 Make a paperweight, model or ornament to keep.

What Happened This Week?

This week, we worked on building a small wooden raft. The goal is to see how well it floats once it's finished.

We also played some tennis; a little exercise is always beneficial!

As usual, we continued our chess practice, focusing this time on the bishop. Did you know that in ancient times, before they were called bishops, they were actually elephants? During battles, they would stand at the sides of the king and queen, offering protection.



Are you ready for the holidays? I hope you have a wonderful Easter with your family. And remember, don't indulge too much in chocolate. The bunnies are working hard to make sure everyone gets their eggs!



TIMES

Before school: 7 – 9 AM
After school: 3:20 – 6 PM

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