

# Frank Partridge VC Public School

*Educating your child for a bright future*

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Term 2 Week 6

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Welcome to Week 6 of Term 2. Athletics field event trials are now well under way. I had a great time on high jump on Friday. All of the Bradman kids had at least 6 jumps with the top two qualifiers in each age group being decided. Well done to the Bradman kids who were wonderful throughout the afternoon. A special well done to the jumpers who tried their best at all times regardless of their success.

I must begin this newsletter with a HUGE apology to our Debaters. Rohan, Edmund and Jeremy, and Travis as Team Advisor did a wonderful job against Aldavilla and won their debate. They now move onto their second round and we will be sure to keep you updated. I thought that we had put this wonderful news into our last newsletter but was reliably informed by the boys that it had slipped through the net.

Our Lockdown Drill went off without a hitch on Tuesday. Mrs Smith has our Work health and Safety team running like a well-oiled machine. We have a couple of little bugs in the system but the kids certainly showed us that they are more than aware of what is expected in these circumstances.

Our Questacon and NRMA days were very well received last week. Thank you to Mrs Leahy for all of her work behind the scenes. There will be a special report on both events by our resident Newsletter reporter, Sonja Stone, in next week's newsletter.

This Tuesday we will be involved in an Open's and Under 10's Rugby League Gala Day. All of the boys have been training the house down each recess and I am sure that we will have a great day. A reminder that the participation in these events by our kids relies heavily on parent transport so if your child is attending on the day and you can help out with transport please be sure to let us know.

There will be a Stage 2 and Stage 3 Social held on Wednesday night to raise funds for our Canberra excursion. These are always wonderful nights. Cost will be \$4.00. The night begins at 5:00pm and finishes at 7:00pm. We hope to see you there!

Mrs Leahy will be heading to Bellingen on Friday with 10 students to participate in the Bellingen Writers Festival. The kids will get to meet and listen to successful authors and illustrators on the day. The kids will participate in a workshop so we can look forward to some exciting pieces in the newsletter in the near future.

The first stage of our "Building Blocks for Learning" initiative will begin this week. For many years teachers have been concerned that a student's progress is severely hampered by factors beyond their control. Consequently, as students fall behind and become frustrated with their schooling their behaviour and engagement deteriorates. To

## Diary

### Wed 4th June School Photos

School Social  
Stage 2 & 3  
5pm-7pm

**Fri 6th June**  
Vision Screening for  
Kindergarten

**Tues 10th June**  
NHHS Year 9 Drama  
Perform for Stage 3

**Wed 11th June**  
FPVC PS v NHPS  
Debating

**Mon 16th June**  
Stage 2 & 3  
Public Speaking  
"Speak Off"

**Mon 23rd June**  
Athletics Carnival  
EJ Biffin Fields  
Families Welcome!

**Gumbaynggirr**  
**Word of the Week**  
**Janggal Janggal**  
meaning  
**Happy**

address this concern we will be screening all Kindergarten students on Friday to make sure that their vision is 100%. Mrs Beauchamp has been organising this screening as part of what will become a 3 pronged assessment on Vision, Hearing and Speech. If your child is in Kindergarten then please be sure to return permission notes to school as soon as possible.

Have a great week, GO THE BLUES!!

Todd.

### Wind Powered Vehicles

Stage 3 have had the task of constructing a working model of a wind powered vehicle.

Students were to draw a plan showing what their vehicle would look like. They then needed to collect the materials from home or school. After all of this, students were then able to demonstrate the success of their vehicle and explain its uses and special features.



### K-2 Just Dance

Every Tuesday and Thursday at recess, K-2 students are encouraged to head to Miss Campton's room to dance! This is a fantastic opportunity for children who may feel a little bored at recess. Last Tuesday the Quad was empty. Guess where everyone was!! It's great to see Miss Campton and Miss Elle dance as well!



**Please clearly label all jumpers so we can return them to their rightful owners!**

### Caught Being Good

Holly Behan 4/3W, Braiden Wheeler 2/1E - Great work in Reading Recovery, Shanara Taylor 2/1C - Always being kind to others, Larnie Wheeler 2/1H - Honesty, Lachlan Barwick 6/5L - Being a good role model, Kurt Smith 6/5M Singing well!

**Merit Awards:** KD McKenzie Winner Coggan, KC Levi Quinlin, DJ Witt Wilson, 2/1H Bertahlee Greenup Gray, Skyleigh Sisson, 2/1E Jake Johnson, Katelyn Jones, Kyan Jarrett-Marks, Jai Winchester, 2/1C Rhiannon White, Max Bowen, 4/3F Ashanti Biggs, Jaiye Langford, 4/3M Beau Hussell, Max Willard, 4/3W Patrick Bagnell, 6/5S Jade Crawley, Jamison Rigby, 6/5L Jasmine White, Ayla Ashenhurst, 6/5M Sophia Fidirikkos, Lennon Smithwick, Storm Whalen, Mrs Parkins Zachary Urquhart.

CLASSES OF THE WEEK 4/3W

Congratulations



## Peer Support

Each fortnight, our senior students run our Peer Support program. The whole school splits into groups of all ages. Here the children play games, learn about feelings, learn how to listen and much more. Our senior students do a great job whilst developing their leadership skills.



### School Photos

School photos will be taken on Wednesday 4th June. Envelopes were handed out to students last week. Each child should have their own envelope. Please complete as per the instructions and send them back to the Front Office, with the correct money enclosed. Additional envelopes, including those for family photos, are available from the office also. Please note, the photographers handle all aspects of the day. Please contact them directly if you have any questions re payments or additional packages. Also note, the school does not keep change for school photos.

### COMMUNITY NEWS



### CANTEEN MEAL OFFERS *Normal menu available every day*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

#### WEDNESDAY 4TH JUNE

#### **BEEF & BEAN NACHOS**

**(BEEF MINCE, KIDNEY BEANS, CORN CHIPS, CHEESE & LITE SOUR CREAM)**

**PRICE \$5.50**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

#### THURSDAY 5th JUNE

#### **CHICKEN BURGER WITH CAESAR DRESSING**

**PRICE \$3.90**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

#### FRIDAY 6TH JUNE

#### **HOMEMADE BACON, CHEESE, EGG QUICHE & SIDE SALAD**

**PRICE \$6.50**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

#### MONDAY 7TH JUNE

### PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**Messy Church** - a fun and friendly way for kids to explore the spiritual side of life. Stories, creative activities, prayer time and a yummy dinner. Come along after school until 5.30pm, every second Tuesday in Anglican Church Hall, Kent Street Nambucca Heads. Parents, carers and siblings are very welcome. For more information contact Reverend Lisa Williamson on 65689094.

Loving butterflies is easy. Loving a caterpillar- the squirmy, unattractive critter destroying your vegie patch - that is grace.

May God bless you with the love of caterpillars!

### Nambucca After School Care

Nambucca Valley OOSH



*(Managed by the Nambucca Valley Children's Group Inc.)*

Nambucca Valley OOSH runs After School Care at Frank Partridge VC Primary School. Care is available for all primary school-aged children from local schools. A staff member meets the children at the school bus from Nambucca Heads Primary School or the grounds of Nambucca Valley Christian Community School. Children from Frank Partridge School meet at the School Hall. Children from working & non-working families are welcome.

The centre is open from 3.00 pm till 6.00 pm, Monday - Friday. Fees start at \$6.83 per child (with Child Care Benefits) and a healthy afternoon tea is included in the cost. Children participate in fun activities, sport, craft, games and free play. Casual and permanent places are now available.

Enquiries can be made to Gail and Nat on 65681474, at the Centre, or email [vaccare@bigpond.com](mailto:vaccare@bigpond.com)

Enrolment is necessary before children attend.