

# Frank Partridge VC Public School

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Term 3 Week 7



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Welcome to Week 7 of Term 3.

A huge congratulations to our Tournament of the Minds Team of Edmund, Chloe, Thomas, Rohan, Jasmine, Sonja and Travis and their coach Mrs Daley. The team performed in Coffs Harbour on Sunday and by all accounts did a wonderful job. It was our first foray into the TOM's competition and a great start to our involvement in this high level problem solving activity. Well done to all involved and a big thank you to Mrs Leahy who made a special trip over on Sunday to watch and support the team.

I was privileged to attend the Vietnam Veterans Day with our school captains and prefects on Monday. Terry Hopper spoke extremely well and all of our students represented their school with great pride.



Our School Spelling Bee was finalised on Tuesday, with Jack Kennedy and McKeeley Ricaud proving successful in the Stage 2 competition and Tirell Dungay and Ella Buchanan in the Stage 3 section. These Super Spellers will now represent our school at the Regional Finals in Coffs Harbour. I am sure that they will do us proud!



Our 3 touch teams performed extremely well on Thursday in Macksville. More importantly, great team work, sportsmanship and effort was shown by all competitors. Our Stage 3 boys were undefeated on the day, our Stage 2 boys won 2 and lost 2 and our Stage 3 girls won one, lost 2 and drew one. All in all, some great results for our school. The NSW Touch Football rep was particularly impressed with the knowledge our students had of the more subtle aspects of the game and is very keen to come out for a visit early next year. Well done to our dedicated coaches who give up their recess each day, Mr Freebairn, Miss McArthur and Miss Wesley! Thank you also to Aunty Nerida and the parents who attended on the day. Without your support we could not make this happen.

This Wednesday will be the first parent and carer meeting in regards to our Year 6 Farewell. Mrs Leahy is coordinating the event with Mrs Smith, Miss McArthur and Aunty Nerida. The meeting will be held in Mrs Smith's room at 8:30am. All Year 6 parents and carers are encouraged to

## Diary

### Wed 27th Aug

Parent/Carer Meeting  
Year 6 Farewell  
8.30am

Newcastle Permanent  
Maths Competition  
Years 5 & 6

### Thurs 28th Aug

K-6 Outdoor Maths  
Event

### Tues 2nd Sep

Father's Day Stall

### 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sep

Book Fair  
Before & After School

### Thurs 4th Sep

'Connect to Reading'  
Book Week Parade

### Fri 12th Sep

Year 6 Mini Fete

### Wed 17th Sep

Kinder Excursion to  
Dolphin Marine Magic

Gumbaynggirr  
Word of the Week

*Darrunda*  
meaning  
*Thank You*

to attend. This is both an exciting and sad time for our Year 6 students as their 7 years of primary school come to an end and they prepare to transition to high school. Exciting and a little scary for our kids and a little sad for our teachers as we wish them well on the next stage of their educational journey. Our Year 6 Farewell is a very important part of this transition process to our students, and we need as many parents involved as possible so that we can make it an evening to remember. Hope to see you there on Wednesday.

34 of our Stage 3 students will be attacking the Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition on Wednesday. These external tests are usually tough going for our students, but I am sure that they are ready to step up to the challenge. We wish them all the best and look forward to seeing just how clever they can be.

Our P&C is integral to many of the projects and initiatives that we run at school. We meet once a month and it is a great way for parents and carers to stay in touch with issues and initiatives that directly affect our kids. Before we ask for any donations our school works through some questions to help decide if the request is appropriate. I would very much appreciate any feedback from parents in regards to these steps - their relevance, importance or any other questions that should be asked.

#### **FUNDING CONSIDERATIONS:**

***Does the donation cover expenses that cannot be accessed through the DEC?***

***Does the donation address the needs of 100% of students where possible?***

***Does the donation address student engagement across all Key Learning Areas?***

***Does the donation support the provision of student experiences not readily available in our community?***

***Does the donation support the academic and physical needs of our students?***

***Is the Donation driven by school initiatives which will have been communicated to, and supported by, the P&C prior to request?***

To provide feedback you can:

Write directly on this page or write on a separate page and return to school.

Email me with comments at [todd.potter@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:todd.potter@det.nsw.edu.au) or ring me at school or pop into the office.

Have a great week.

Todd.

#### **Kindergarten Fundraiser**

Kindergarten are selling large Freddo Frogs at recess times on Monday & Tuesday for \$1 each to raise money for our excursion. Feel free to send in \$1 to help support our great cause! 😊

#### ***Caught Being Good***

Bailey Chaseling 2/1E-Sitting and eating, Makayla Lamb 2/1C Sitting and eating, Patrick Bagnell 4/3W-Helping Denise, Jai Winchester 2/1E-Handing in lost money, Carissa Gallagher 6/5M-Responsible for herself, James Hurley 4/3M-Great sportsmanship @ Chess Club

#### ***Class Merit Awards***

**KC:** Taliya Cadman-Pou, Peter Stadhams, **KD:** Tamika Chase, Bayley Mackney, **2/1C:** Auston Babula, Tate Ferguson, **2/1E:** Braiden Wheeler, Bianca Wilson, Patricia Stewart, **2/1H:** Matthew Daley, Larnie Wheeler, Fiona Holloway, **4/3F:** Olivia Bowen, Dominic Hoffman, **4/3W:** Marley Dahlstrom, Yazzystar Hoffman, **6/5L:** Terryn Hopper, Tom Robertson, Ella Buchanan, **6/5M:** Kurt Smith, Kategjah Stadhams, Travis Hayden, **6/5S:** Jayden Wallace Skinner, Frank Richards, Tirell Dungay, Jannali McLeod, Mrs Parkins: Kyan Jarrett-Marks.

***Class of the Week: 6/5L***

***Congratulations***



# TOUCH FOOTBALL





## CANTEEN MEAL OFFERS

WEDNESDAY 27th August	THURSDAY 28th August	FRIDAY 29th August	MONDAY 1st September
Name: _____ _____ Class: _____ Steak Sandwich with Onion  <b>Price \$4.50</b>  With Salad  <b>Price \$6.00</b>	Name: _____ _____ Class: _____ Hot Roast Beef & Gravy Roll   <b>Price \$4.50</b>	Name: _____ _____ Class: _____ Indian Butter Chicken (mild) With Rice Pappadum   <b>Price \$4.50 small</b> <b>\$6.50 large</b>	Name: _____ _____ Class: _____ 3 Party Pies with Tom/BBQ  Nippy Flavoured Milk (Choc/Strawberry)  <b>Price: \$4.00</b>
<b>Canteen volunteers are still needed!</b>			

## Frank Partridge VC

## Father's Day Stall

Tuesday 2nd September

Cards .50c

Gifts from \$1-\$8

A FPVCPS P&C Fundraiser



## CAR BOOT SALE

CAMBODIA HOUSE BUILDING

FUNDRAISER

**WHERE:** BISHOP DRUITT COLLEGE

**WHEN:** SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

**TIME:** 8AM - 3PM

TO BOOK A CAR BOOT SALE SITE GO TO  
BISHOP DRUITT COLLEGE WEBSITE OR  
CALL SUE O'CONNOR ON 66515644  
EXT 259

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Expressions of interest are now being taken for

## 2015 Kindergarten Enrolments.

Name..... Phone Number.....

Child's Name.....Date of Birth.....