

Frank Partridge VC Public School

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Week 8 Term 3

6th September, 2016

Welcome to Week 8 of Term 3. Our External Validation Team has now completed our validation. This process was closely linked to the School's Excellence Framework and was a great way to look closely at what we do as a school and how we can tell it works. The team that visited our school was most impressed with our staff and the engagement of our kids. Our whole school community should take a bow!

Thank you to the hard working P&C members who made our Father's Day Stall possible on Tuesday. Thanks to Katherine, Sharon, Kelly, Erin, Melissa, Skye, Kirsty, and student helpers Emma and McKeely. Lots of students took advantage of the great gifts on offer. Happy Father's Day to all of our dads!

Our evacuation drill went off without a hitch on Friday, even without our WHS Team Leader, Mrs Smith. The kids were all safe and accounted for within about 4 minutes, which is a credit to their teachers and themselves.

Friday was also Jersey Day as we raised funds for Organ Donation Awareness. It was great to see such a large range of jerseys on display from such a large range of sports. The SRC raised \$274.00. Big thanks to our Support Classes for donating their 'shop takings' which I am sure will make a difference to this very worthy cause.

I will be on 4/3H on Monday and Tuesday this week, so my apologies if I am harder to catch than usual. If anything can wait until Wednesday then that would be great. If an issue urgently needs our attention then leave a message with the office and I will deal with it in my breaks. Thank you for your support.

Next week I will be away on our Canberra excursion with the Stage 3 students. We leave on Monday morning and will be back Thursday evening. If there is any issue that I can help with, then please leave me a message at the office. If there is anything that needs face to face contact, then please make an appointment to see Gillian Baker who will be the lead executive for these 4 days. Please remember that Gill is on class so you will need to make an appointment, something we do not usually need to do when I am in the office.

During the last week I will be on 6/5S as Mrs Smith takes some long service leave. Once again, I would ask for your patience as I juggle my classroom schedule with the office. I am sure though, that if we all work together, then these stints on class will benefit our kids, our school and our staff.

This Thursday is our proposed Norfolk Island debate. I had to book a teleconference debate for this one, even though Mrs Leahy assured me that she was happy to travel! The debaters are undefeated so far this year but the Norfolk Island team has a massive reputation. I am sure that Mrs Leahy and her team will do us proud regardless of the result.

Diary

Wed 7th Sep
Great Book Swap

Thurs 8th Sep
Debate
V
Norfolk Island

Mon 12th Sep
Stage 3 Canberra
Excursion

Regional
Spelling
Bee

Tues 13th Sep
K-2 Excursion
Billabong Park

Wed 21st
Cinema
Excursion
Support Classes

Thurs 22nd Sep
Touch Footy
Gala Day

Our Touch Footy boys will be heading down to Hastings on Friday this week to take on Hastings PS in the North Coast Finals of the PSSA Open Boys Touch Football Knockout. We have never progressed this far through the knockout and the boys are excited to put all of their hard work and training into practice. Mr Freebairn and Pete are just a little excited as well!

Finally a quick apology to Declan Rigby. We left him out of the TOM's team list last week and he was a wonderful member who did a great job on the day. Sorry Dec!

Have a great week.

Todd.

Weekend Sport

Wishing our Stage 2 and 3 boys the best of luck this weekend, as they play in their Grand Final.

Well done also on supporting not only your teammates but the opposition as well! Good luck boys!



Library News

In association with the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, we will be hosting a **Great Book Swap** at our school to help fund the purchase of new books for children living in remote indigenous communities across Australia. This will take place on Wednesday 7th September; before school, at lunchtime and at recess.

Students are invited to bring an old favourite book from home that they have now grown out of (in good condition please). For a gold coin donation, they may swap it for one that someone else has brought in. Donors will also be able to take home a free book from our own library collection that has been recently weeded. Alternatively a gold coin donation can be swapped for 2 recently weeded Library books.

Please support this worthy cause!

Mrs Coulter

Class Merit Awards

KE: Cherise Witt Wilson, Tyro Sisson, Jazmine Ridgeway, **2/1M:** Harrison Strachan, Makayla Davis, **2/1D:** Miranda Mackney, Joshua Carlton, **2/1F:** Lily Burke, Caleb Jarrett, **4/3H:** Fiona Holloway, Ava Lennox-Miles, **4/3W:** Joel Burke, Jesse Cohen, **4/3D:** Auston Babula, Keira Donovan, **6/5L:** Charlie Craig, Charli Jarrett-Hill, **6/5S:** Aynsley McEachran, McKeely Ricaud, Declan Rigby, **6/5N:** Jaiye Langford, Ebony Wylie, Ethan Poulton, **SCB:** Michael Darcy, Brennan Wilson, **SCT:** Lyric Thompson, Jesse McMahon, Jayden Langham, **SCP:** Rodrick Darcy, Sharaiah Ridgeway, **Miss Morrison:** Daniel McElroy, **Mrs Inchley:** Charlotte Kearney, Marley Dahlstrom.

Class of the Week:

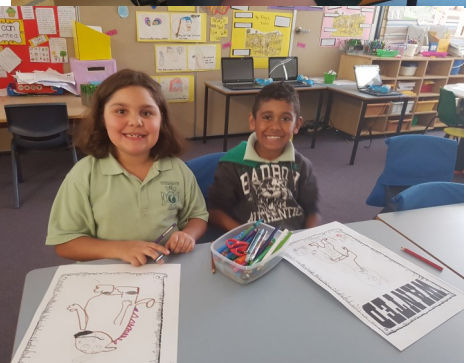
2/1M

Congratulations!

Our Very Busy Term 3!

Tournament of Minds

A student who competes in the national competition of Tournament of Minds needs to be quick, clever, creative, co-operative and cool under pressure. On the 28th August seven dynamic students represented Frank Partridge VC. Sonja Stone, Hayley Jacob-Harju, Isabelle Zhang, Angus Holloway, Lucy Smith, Declan Rigby and Jasmine Glidden travelled to Port Macquarie and performed their Long Term Solution brilliantly and as a team they tackled the tricky Spontaneous Problem of the competition. A great day, a great team and a great experience, Well done!



WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY
NAME _____ CLASS _____ BBQ CHICKEN & COLESLAW ROLL PRICE: \$5.00	NAME _____ CLASS _____ CHICKEN & MINESTRONE SOUP WITH HERB ROLL PRICE: \$6.50	NAME _____ CLASS _____ BEEF & BEAN NACHOS PRICE: \$4.50 SMALL \$6.50 LARGE	NAME _____ CLASS _____ SAUSAGE ROLL SAUCE NIPPY FLAVOURED MILK PRICE: \$4.50

PARENT ONLINE PAYMENTS (POP)

We are excited to announce that From Friday 9th September 2016 it will now be possible for parents to make online payments to the school via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. This initiative has taken some careful organisation and should be of great benefit to our whole school community. Payments can be made using either a *Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card*, and can be made via computer, tablet or mobile phone.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called 'Other' for items not covered in the previous headings. 'Other' can also be used to make several payments for the one student.

The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting [\\$ Make a payment](#)

When you access [\\$ Make a payment](#) you must enter:

the students name, and
class and reference number OR
the students name, and
date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them. These are optional fields.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner. These details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed for your records.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. (Please note that payments made after 6.00pm will not appear in the school's account until the 2nd business day.) As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.



NAMBUCCA NIPPERS REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday 18th September

What: Nippers registration & Swim test

When: 18th September 2016, 9am to 12pm

Where: Bellwood Park, Nambucca Heads

Come along and join the Nambucca Nippers Club for the 2016/2017 season

For more info please email nambuccanippers@gmail.com